

Concrete Finishing Activities at World of Concrete 2016

On Sunday, January 31, 2016, the inaugural meeting of the *ASCC Flatwork Finishing Subcommittee* will be held from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Room N206 in the North Hall of the Las Vegas Convention Center. Formation of this subcommittee of the ASCC Technical Committee was approved by the Board of Directors at the 2015 Annual Conference. Co-chairs are Steve Lloyd (Lloyd Concrete Services) and David Somero (S & S Concrete Floors). Ward Malisch is the ASCC staff contact.

Several ASCC activities cover concrete finishing. Examples include producing and updating the finishing video, organizing and supervising finisher training and certification at the World of Concrete, and serving on the ACI Certification Committee in charge of finisher certification programs. This subcommittee will take on these tasks to centralize activities pertaining to finishing and put them in the hands of subject-matter experts. This committee will liaison with other ASCC committees including the Education and Training and Technical Committees, to keep them aware of the Finishing Subcommittee activities. In addition, this subcommittee will provide a forum for finishers to discuss problems, share solutions, and encourage participation on ACI certification committee C640 and technical committees such as ACI 301, Specifications; ACI 302, Floor Construction; ACI 305, Hot Weather Concreting; ACI 306, Cold Weather Concreting; and ACI 308, Curing.

Suggested activities in addition to those mentioned above include generating ideas for ASCC Position Statements and White Papers on concrete finishing issues. In addition to contractors, other members of the committee will represent concrete producers, equipment manufacturers, consultants, and admixture manufacturers. Visitors are welcome. If you are interested contact Ward Malisch or Bruce Suprenant.

ASCC is also presenting two ACI Flatwork Finisher certifications:

ACI Concrete Flatwork Finisher/Technician Certification

- ✓ Review seminar on Wednesday, Feb 3 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm
- ✓ Written examination on Thursday, Feb 4 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

ACI Specialty Commercial/Industrial Concrete Flatwork Finisher/Technician Certification

- ✓ Review seminar on Monday, Feb 1 from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm
 - ✓ Written examination on Tuesday, Feb 2 from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm
- ✓ Performance examination on Tuesday, Feb 2 from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm

Bob Simonelli and Jerry Holland of ASCC member Structural Services Inc., will present the review sessions and be the examiners for the ACI Specialty performance examination. Space is still available in all sessions. Those attending the ACI Specialty Certification should have been certified as ACI Concrete Flatwork Finisher/Technician. The advanced ACI Specialty Flatwork Certification can be used to show that your finishers have skills beyond the basic ACI Finisher requirements, and are qualified to do commercial/industrial floor slabs including superflat floors.