DATE: September 11, 2017
TO: Northeast Region Board of Directors
FROM: Anthony Stazzone NJ Chapter NE Region Director
SUBJECT: Report of New Jersey Chapter

A. Highlights
   1. Installation of a younger (new) board members. A two-year process under the guidance of our experienced Volunteers.
   2. Late spring member survey sent out thru Constant Contact. Light returns resulted in no clear directives, but Membership Comm. will continue the effort. (Survey and Results attached)
   3. New Membership Chair who has brought good energy to the task.

Issues / Challenges
   1. By virtue of the fact that the number of active board members has increased over the course of the last couple of years we are afforded the opportunity to actually implement the rotation of officers outlined in our by-laws.

Challenges;
   2. The NJ Chapter has a smaller than desired active membership (universal problem?), there are still a smaller number of people taking on tasks to be performed - as this is a volunteer organization, this in turn, means that we cannot address all desired issues immediately, we still need to prioritize activities.

   3. With the School of Architecture now at Kean University, we will reach out to the faculty to explore opportunities to engage students (and do it with faculty/staff "buy-in" because after all, we would need a liaison at the school
   4. I am Proud to say that the collective efforts of the CSI NJ Board reflect the re-building efforts as successful, and ongoing, as compared to our last report. We are a work in progress and would gladly take any feedback to add to the success of our chapter.
   5. We appreciated the listing from CSI National of chapter members who have decided to drop out. We will make an effort to contact these folks and try to bring them back to the chapter. We are also making an effort to contact all listed members who have not been participating in chapter events. There are 63 due paying members and we will reach out to all in hopes to get them involved in our chapter.

See you at Construct!
B. The Report

1. Chapter Programs:

   September:  Topic: Tappan Zee Bridge / Joint Mtg with AIA
   Attendees:
   Speaker: Cancelled
   Description: This was a joint AIA event with the Architects League of Northern NJ. Engineer Speaker had an unavoidable scheduling conflict and cancelled at last minute. No time to put together an effective replacement. NJCSI had tried to schedule this last year with the same result.
   Is this recommended for other chapters? No

   October:  Topic: Benjamin Moore Plant Tour
   Attendees: (Date Oct 4 - 8:00 am ) 360 US-206 Flanders, NJ 07836
   Speaker: Diana Rattizzi, Benjamin Moore
   Tour of B/M Test Farm Facility w/ presentations from various Lab departments.
   Analytical lab—Analyze any paint issues – due to peeling, fading, cracking etc.
   Delta- next generation of paints – 3 parts Colorants, Polymers and Paint formulation
   Product Evaluation – test our products along with competitors/Test Farm

   Offering a morning session, in an effort to explore alternate meeting times.

   November:  Topic: "DISCA Dinner Meeting & Expo."
   Attendees: (Date Nov. 9th – 5:30 PM ) Park Avenue Club, Florham Park, NJ
   Speaker: Ecophon - New Trends in Ceiling Systems (AIA LU)
   Description: Invited by DISCA to attend their event. DISCA (Drywall & Interior Systems Contractor Assoc.) provides specialized services and products to the Interior Systems Industry in New Jersey. They offer educational seminars, workshops and social activities for the contractor

   Is this recommended for other chapters? Yes, has we reach out to the Construction Industry.

   December: Meeting Topic: Holiday Event TBD

   January:  Topic: NJCSI Members Social Event
   Attendees: Scheduled for Jan 25, 2018
   Speaker:
   Description: Bowling / or Golf (Top Golf) Special emphasis on new/renewing/ emerging members as guests. Awards/Pins

   February: Meeting Topic: Roman Concrete Everything Old is New Again
   Attendees: Tenative Schedule : Feb. 22, 2018
   Speaker: E5 Andy Anderson / Bill DuBois
   Description: Keeping
Is this recommended for other chapters?

March:  
**Topic:** Joint meeting w/ IFMA  TBD  
**Attendees:** Scheduled for March 29  
Is this recommended for other chapters?

April:  
**Topic:** - Big Tower Design  
**Attendees**  Tentative Date (04/26/18)  
Speaker **WFP Group**  
**Brief description:** WFP will share their latest tower concepts on the boards  
Is this recommended for other chapters? Yes

May:  
Meeting Topic; **Cross Laminated Timber Construction**  
Date  May 24 To be Confirmed  
Speaker: Ken Bland PE  VP codes & Regs  American Wood Council & NJ Code official  
Tall Wood buildings  Panel discussion

June:  
Meeting Topic : Ellis Island  Boat Tour  
Date  TBD  
Speaker TBD  
Brief description of presentation or any special features: Group outing for NJCSI and friends

2. Activities other than monthly programs: To be determined

3. Certification: Does the Chapter hold a study/review session?  
[X] No.  [ ] CDT  [ ] CCS  [ ] CCPR  [ ] CCCA

4. Education:  
Does the Chapter have a scholarship program?  No.  
Does the Chapter have a liaison with colleges or universities?  Informal arrangements with NJIT, Stevens, Montclair State.  Open invite to students, No charge

5. Membership:  
Does the Chapter have a membership chair?  [X] YES  [ ] NO  
Is there a membership committee to assist?  [ ] YES  [X] NO  
Is there a formal new member welcome?  [X] YES  [ ] NO  
Does the Chapter monitor renewals?  [X] YES  [ ] NO  
Does the Chapter acknowledge renewals?  [ ] YES  [X] NO  
Does the Chapter contact non-renewals?  [ ] YES  [X] NO

We have a new membership chair who will be implementing all the areas we are deficient in above. We will be sending a second survey out

6. Changes in Chapter Membership:  
Members as of Aug 1, 2017:  
Current Membership:  52 Professional  10 Student/Emerging Professional

C. Director's Liaison Activities  
1. Not Indicated.
Respectfully submitted;
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END OF REPORT

Cc: Region Secretary