



Colorado State University

DEPARTMENT OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY DEVELOPMENT BOARD

From the Chair...

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As incoming Chairman of the Professional Advisory and Development Board (PADB), I want to extend one more sincere note of appreciation to our Past Chairman, Doug Finley ('88). Doug showed great leadership and demonstrated extreme valor during his tenure. I also want to welcome Chairman-Elect Brett Brown ('98) to his duties supporting me through my tenure.

An additional note of appreciation needs to be passed on to every individual and company who has continued to support the CSU Construction Management (CM) department. It is truly inspirational to see so many actively supporting the CM department. Whether it is a scholarship, competition team, interns, Boot Camp, CM Cares effort, class participation, or PADB, they are all equally appreciated. Each of these efforts helps to achieve the main goal of providing the best educational experience for the talented group of CSU students. CSU CM cannot be what it is today without each of you and your company's assistance. Thank you all for your continued support.

PADB is the venue for the CM Program and industry to share current thoughts and ideas. This relationship ensures the graduating students have the educational background necessary for the current construction market. Likewise, PADB is a forum for the CSU CM team to seek industry support for new ideas and efforts. Having an industry relationship is one of many requirements for the accreditation of the CSU CM program with the American Council for Construction Education (ACCE). Did you know, CSU Construction Management is the ONLY ACCE accredited program in the State of Colorado? TRUE!

I am proud to declare the CSU Construction Management program as one of the best in the United States. This has been due to the diligent efforts of many, but it really starts with the CM department head, Mostafa Khattab, and the exceptional CM faculty and staff. The entire CM Department has displayed abounding energy to outdo themselves each and every year in order to stay on the cutting edge and be one of the best.

The proof of being one of the best is demonstrated by what others are trying to duplicate from the CSU CM program. There are many attempts across the nation to replicate the unique aspects of the CSU CM program.

So – what is the next move to continue being the best? That is where each of your efforts come into play. Get involved. Remember, no matter where you are on the way to the top, every single step moves you towards the top. Participate as much as you can.

I look forward to PADB continuing the efforts to educate the young students about great careers in CM, exchanging ideas about program enhancement, curriculum refinement, and celebrating the continued successes of the CSU Construction Management program. If you have any questions or thoughts, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Proud to be "Ram Built!"

Rick Tucker, '90
Hensel Phelps, Executive Vice President
Construction Management PADB Chairman

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