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HELLO! Are You Ready to Make an Impact!

It is an honor to serve as President of the North Texas Chapter of CEFPI this year. Our chapter has enjoyed exceptional leadership for many years and as a result we are experiencing membership growth and an increase in member participation. Because of your efforts students, teachers, and administrators throughout North Texas will have an opportunity to experience education in more creative, engaging, and safer ways than ever before. It is my intent to cultivate this energy and further expand our reach into the school communities we serve.

We will continue to improve the relevancy of our monthly programs and identify new ways to network in the fast-paced, competitive workplace we operate in every day. Programs have been planned for the entire year and networking events will be added along the way. Quality programming delivered efficiently and effectively provides each of our members with tools and concepts which can be utilized to improve the product we offer our education partners.

We will celebrate our 4th Annual IMPACT Awards program this year and we hope to add to the number of award winners through additional project categories. The expansion of this program comes from the tremendous success of our fundraising efforts by way of our annual golf tournament. Thank you to everyone who participated this year and to all of those awesome volunteers who worked so hard to make it a great event! The IMPACT Awards are a great opportunity for our chapter to recognize local students, school districts, and projects that impact the community around them.

New 2014-2015 Initiatives

1. Impact Award Expansion – Increase the number of participants and the number of award winners across multiple categories.
2. Increase Chapter Growth – Continue our movement to reach out to our local school district officials and facilities professionals to share experience and foster support.
3. Fundraising Expansion – The annual golf tournament benefitting the IMPACT Award continues to grow and be successful. The Fundraising Committee is looking into other activities at different times of the year to benefit regional scholarships and regional conference support.
4. Senior Administrator Advisory Council – Annually the Board invites school district superintendents and other key administrators to participate as advisors to help guide us in addressing relevant issues and topics concerning education and facilities planning. The first meeting is held in October each year and then the Advisory Council is invited to participate in our various events held throughout the year.

Please keep sending us your suggestions and comments regarding upcoming programs and tours. We are working to make CEFPI more valuable to everyone. If you would like more information on how to become a CEFPI member or how you can serve the organization, please contact one of your Board Members and visit our chapter website at www.cefpi.org.

The future of education deserves our very best – the students of tomorrow deserve our very best! Let’s be a part of something great. Get involved, make a difference, and positively impact education in the communities we serve!

Sincerely,

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