

American Society of Civil Engineers Younger Member Forum YMF Board Meeting Minutes



Date: Wednesday, June 25, 2008

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Pennoni Associates Office (30th and Market Streets, Philadelphia)

<u>ATTENDEES</u> <u>REPRESENTING</u>

Don Gusic President
Cathy Golata Vice President
Jeremy Chrzan Secretary
Mike Wagner Treasurer

Katie Sohnly / Alex Sopin Technical Groups Chair

Guy DiMartino / Kazi Hassan Social Chair
Lindsey Glavin Newsletter Editor
Fred Vesci South Jersey Liaison

Drew Sirianni IT Chair

Jennifer Pesch

Jen Reigle / Adrienne Nikolic

Angelo Waters

College Contacts Chair

Outreach Coordinator

Community Service Chair

Joe Platt Past President

- 1) Introductions Each board member introduced themselves and were provided with a handout describing the responsibility of each member
- 2) Meeting Minutes of the April 15, 2008 meeting were approved.
- 3) Activities Updates
 - a) YMF
 - i) Phillies Game 93 tickets were sold; 50+ people attended the tailgating pre-game event even though it was raining. Overall the event was a huge success and we agreed to revisit this event concept for this upcoming year. **ACTION: Cathy agreed to forward the event photos to Jeremy**
 - b) Section
 - i) The section held a retreat that D.Gusic attended. They discussed goals for the upcoming year. Don indicated that the Section is looking for committee members and encouraged YMF members to volunteer for committees of interest.
- 4) Upcoming Events/Programming
 - a) September Social last two-years have been bowling events and the turnout has been historically good. Consider relocation to Lucky Strikes because we have sufficient funding remaining in our account. ACTION: Kazi agreed to investigate the costs; Cathy agreed to review past years attendance.
 - b) ERYMC Joe Platt presented info on this upcoming conference. Asked if Chuck Pennoni would agree to speak at the conference. Indicated that we need ideas for speakers in the next month. Suggested that we beginning planning a Philadelphia Tour for the conference. Questioned if we wanted to hold an awards dinner but we agreed that this seemed to formal and would not promote conversation among colleagues. Fundraising will be a major point of discussion at our next meeting. Lastly, we need to identify a non-alcohol event for afterhours. Also passed around a listed and requested that we all sign-up for a conference committee.

5) Potential Events

a) Summer Happy Hour – Manayunk Brew Pub, Thursday in late July or Early August. Need to establish a definite date and advertise a minimum of 3-weeks in advance.

b) Adopt-A-Highway – Chris is still looking into this issue. Although he returned the necessary forms, PennDOT appears to have lost them (which brought about gasps of horror to those who regularly work with PennDOT)

6) Website

- a) Post the missing meeting minutes on the site
- b) Board Member Photos and Bios **ACTION: All new board members must forward a photo and bio to D.Sirianni for inclusion on the website**

7) Misc / Open Discussion

- a) 2008 Employer Recognition Nominations for this award are due Aug. 1st.
- b) Section Meeting We need to choose the speaker for the October meeting; J.Pesch suggested a presentation on LEED certifications.
- c) J.Platt suggested that we host a Financial Seminar as an event.
- d) M.Wagner suggested a "This is ERYMC" discussion to introduce the new board members to what we're "in for."
- e) D.Petrucci suggested we host a tour of the Friend's School green building(s).

8) Officer Reports

- a) College Contacts ACTION: Need to obtain a list of all the college student email addresses so that we can include them directly on the YMF mailing list rather than filtering through the college presidents.
- b) S.Jersey Liaison Fred attended a NJ happy hour and got the few people there to sign-up for an ERYMC Committee.