American Society of Civil Engineers
Philadelphia Section
Younger Member Section Forum

2019-2020 BOARD MEETING #5

WHEN: Wednesday, December 11, 2019 @ 5:30 PM
WHERE: Urban Engineers, 530 Walnut Street (7th Floor), Philadelphia, PA 19106
CALL INFO: +1 (872) 240-3212, Access Code: 699-852-373

ATTENDANCE (italics indicates called-in):

✓ Jesse Gormley ✓ Kirsten Brown ✓ Sean McCreesh
✓ Katrina Lawrence ✓ Kevin Walsh ✓ Joe Natale
✓ Dennis Wilson ✓ Paige Glassman ✓ Caroline Voightberger
✓ Tim Abel ✓ Tyler Farley ✓ HuYoung Kim
❑ Eammon Farley ✓ Dani Schroder ✓ Marty Williams
✓ Jake Nichols ✓ CJ Medora ❑ Nick Kirk
✓ John Doyle ✓ Lindsay Chateauvert ❑ Ajin Fatima
❑ Assunta Daprano ❑ Tyler Farley ❑ Darren Black

GUESTS: Nha Truong, Noor

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. Consent Agenda
   A. INCLUSIONS:
      1. 2019-2020 Board Meeting #5 Agenda
      2. 2019-2020 Board Meeting #4 Minutes
   B. Motion to approve consent agenda items.
      1. MOTION: Natale
      2. SECOND: Glassman
      3. DISCUSSION: None
      4. RESULT: Passed

III. Executive Committee Updates
   A. ASCE Updates
      1. Region 2 Assembly Recap - Sat, Nov 2 - Drexel University
         Large number of students in attendance. Next year will be at Villanova. Lesson learned is
to have a social the night before rather than the night of.
      2. ERYMC - Jan 30-Feb 1 - Philadelphia, PA
         a) YMF coordination
            All interested in attending must register today at the early rate. The maximum
            reimbursement will be $245.
         b) Planning updates
            Non-committee member volunteers will likely be needed from those attending
            the conference.
B. Budget
   Continue to send reimbursement requests to Abel.

C. Winter Social - Jan 13, 2020
   Registration is open, and donation letters should be getting sent out. Please review the donation letter spreadsheet and update accordingly.

D. Task Committees
   1. Sustainability
      First call was held earlier this week. The primary initial process will be benchmarking our current practices, followed by the creation of a set of guidelines.
   2. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
      There will be an in-person meeting in January to continue planning for a March event.
   3. Banner
      No update at this time.

IV. Communications Committee Updates
    Continue to send information to all necessary individuals.
    A. Event Tracking Spreadsheet
       Please revisit the spreadsheet as 2019 closes and make sure any events you have planned are completed in the spreadsheet.
    B. Other Society Events

V. Outreach Committee Updates
   A. Past Events
      1. Swarthmore Presentation - Mon, Nov 4
         A panel discussion was held to offer guidance for students transitioning from undergraduate to graduate programs. Ke. Brown is continuing his efforts to reinvigorate the section and get them off of probation.
      2. Temple Presentation - Mon, Nov 4
         Members of the Board attended the Temple general body meeting.
      3. Green Wood Charter School - Fri, Nov 15
         Six different classes, 150 students. The students really take notice of the diversity of the presenters. Non-board volunteers helped as well.
      4. SEPTA Wawa Extension Construction Tour - Fri, Nov 15
         Four students. The small group led to strong conversation.
      5. Plymouth Whitemarsh High School - Tues, Dec 10
         Two classes. Built slender towers out of paper.
      6. CivE Club
         Typical attendance has been about 14 students. Next week is the last meeting of the semester. Students will be watching Dream Big.
   B. Upcoming Events
      1. Steppingstone Scholars - Sat, Jan 18
      2. Presentation B.V.M. - Tues, Jan 28 - 8 AM to 12 PM
      3. Engineering Day @ Franklin Institute - Sat, Feb 22 - 10 AM to 3 PM

VI. Events Committee Updates
   A. Past Events
      1. American Street GSI Construction Tour - Wed, Nov 13
         Having PWD present for the tour really added to the event. Very well attended.
      2. Networking Social with ASHE DelVal - Tues, Dec 3
Approximately 40 attendees. Raffled off two ASCE water bottles at the end. Shoot for a Wednesday or Thursday next year and a 5 or 5:30 start time as that’s when most people showed up.

3. Penn Pavilion Construction Tour - Thur, Dec 5
   20 registered, but only 3 showed up, possibly due to weather and the timing after the holiday. The tour guides would like to schedule another tour for the Spring.

VII. Look Ahead
   A. Professional Development Events
      1. Critical Issues Seminar - Apr
      2. Other Event? - Jan/Feb/Mar
   B. Friends of the Wissahickon Cleanup - TBD
      We have already donated to be able to do another event, it just needs to be scheduled. We can either hold the event on a weekday and have it to ourselves, or on the weekend when it’s open to the public.

VIII. Open Discussion [15-minute cap]
   Doyle suggested having an event focused on Vision Zero, possibly the Critical Issues Seminar.

IX. Officer Reports
   A. Vice President
      Please send Winter Social Donation letters.
   B. Secretary
      Commended McCreesh and Chateauvert on a job well done with the CivE Club this fall/winter
   C. Treasurer
   D. Information Technology
   E. Awards
   F. Public Relations
   G. Society Liaison
   H. Social Media
   I. Student Member Transition
      We got about twice as many mentees as mentors, so Walsh was recruiting additional mentors to match up.
   J. College Contact
   K. K-12 Outreach
   L. Civil Engineering Club
      Thank you to all volunteers so far. There have been at least two every week.
   M. Social Events
      New event ideas will be explored in the Spring.
   N. Professional Development
      If you have an idea for Critical Issues, please send to Kirn.
   O. Technical Events
      Kim will be looking to schedule a redo of the Penn Pavilion tour.
   P. Community Service
   Q. Mentors
      If we’re struggling to get volunteers for things, let’s compile a list of past volunteers and make sure we’re staying engaged with them for future opportunities.
      Make sure to continue engaging new faces at our events and welcoming people to contribute.

X. Other ASCE Committee Updates
A. Committee on Sustainability
   Abel attended International Conference on Sustainable Infrastructure in Los Angeles.

B. Committee on Student Members
   Ke. Brown will be attending the Great Lakes Student Conference in Madison, Wisconsin.

C. Committee on Student Conferences and Competitions
   Medora attended inaugural meeting in Reston in November, and will be attending the Southeast Student Conference at University of Central Florida.

D. Future World Vision
   Gormley will be attending his last meeting with the main committee in January in Los Angeles, and will then be focusing on a task committee to develop uses for the end product.

E. Program and Finance Committee
   Gormley will be attending the first meeting.

F. Committee on Professional Career Growth
   Natale attended meeting in Denver. Working on developing a career flow chart, and revamping the ASCE grades tool that was developed in 2007.

G. Digital Strategy Advisory Council
   ASCE will be rebuilding the back end structure of their website, and possibly looking at rebranding efforts.

XI. Adjourn
   A. Next Board Meeting on Thur, January 9, 2020 @ 5:30 PM @ Michael Baker