American Society of Civil Engineers
Philadelphia Section
Younger Member Forum

2019-2020 BOARD MEETING #7 MINUTES

WHEN: Tuesday, February 11, 2019 @ 5:30 PM
WHERE: AECOM, 1700 Market Street, Suite 1600, Philadelphia, PA 19103
CALL INFO: (877) 286-5733, Conference ID: 118 196 475#

ATTENDANCE (italics indicates called-in):
✓ Jesse Gormley
✓ Katrina Lawrence
✓ Dennis Wilson
✓ Tim Abel
✓ Eammon Farley
✓ Jake Nichols
✓ John Doyle
✓ Assunta Daprano
✓ Kirsten Brown
✓ Cricket Schreppler
✓ Kevin Walsh
✓ Paige Glassman
✓ Tyler Farley
✓ Dani Schroeder
✓ CJ Medora
✓ Lindsay Chateauvert
✓ Sean McCreesh
✓ Joe Natale
✓ Caroline Voigtsberger
✓ Nick Kirn
✓ HuYoung Kim
✓ Marty Williams
✓ Ajin Fatima
✓ Darren Black

GUESTS: Kevin Brown, Nha Truong

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. Consent Agenda
   A. INCLUSIONS:
      1. 2019-2020 Board Meeting #7 Agenda
      2. 2019-2020 Board Meeting #6 Minutes
   B. Motion to approve consent agenda items.
      1. MOTION: Natale
      2. SECOND: Daprano
      3. DISCUSSION: None
      4. RESULT: Passed

III. Executive Committee Updates
   A. ASCE Updates
      1. ASCE Committee Application Deadline - Sun, Mar 15
         There are a ton of opportunities, check them out and apply.
      2. Region 2 Updates
         The Region 2 governors are working on the creation of an infographic to represent the region.
      3. YMLS Alumni Summit - Mar 28-29 - Austin, TX
         Event targeting YMLS alumni as a more in depth look into the YMLS themes and training.
         YMLS Level Two.
      4. YMLS - July 31-Aug 2 & Aug 28-30 - Reston, VA
One of ASCE’s top leadership training opportunities for younger members. Held at ASCE headquarters. Anybody interested in attending should let Gormley know.

5. ERYMC Recap - Jan 30-Feb 1 - Philadelphia, PA
   Round of applause for everybody involved and who attended. Special thanks to Natale and Ke. Brown for leading the effort. Congratulations to Cricket and the YMF for their award wins.
   a) Lessons learned
      Restricting the tiers of sponsorship didn’t necessarily hurt us, but we probably could have raised more money faster.
      Our pricing options allowed everybody to attend the events at an affordable price point.

B. Budget
   Please submit ERYMC reimbursement requests to Abel as soon as possible.
   Please try to keep personal expenses off of the receipts that you’re submitting for reimbursement.

C. Winter Social Recap - Jan 13, 2020
   178 registered/165 attended.
   Lessons learned: One firm donated prizes that didn’t arrive prior to the event, and mailing them to the winners has been troublesome. Also, the January 13th created a time crunch on the fundraising. A lot of money was committed prior to the event but wasn’t received until afterwards. As we have been discussing in previous years, the price per person at McGillin’s is in flux and needs to be considered when deciding ticket prices.

D. Task Committees
   1. Sustainability
      Committee will be meeting next week to discuss goals as to how the YMF can incite more sustainable practices into our organization.
   2. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
      a) Event - Tues, Apr 7 @ Field House
         Bingo style icebreaker followed by one speaker from each organization discussing what they do. “ASCE YMF Diversity Showcase”.
   3. Banner
      The banner was unveiled at the Winter Social and McCormick Taylor currently has it. It looks great.

IV. Outreach Committee Updates
   A. Past Events
      1. CivE Club
         3 weeks into the semester, getting 8-10 students per week. Field trip to the water treatment plant is being planned.
      2. Steppingstone Scholars - Sat, Jan 18
         110 students, 4 activities running, 8 volunteers.
      3. Presentation B.V.M. - Tues, Jan 28 - 8 AM to 12 PM
         Over 200 K-8 students. 3 non-board member volunteers.

   B. Upcoming Events
      1. North Penn - Fri, Feb 21 - 9:30 AM to 11 AM
         Looking for a more diverse group of volunteers. Currently structures heavy.
      2. Engineering Day @ Franklin Institute - Sat, Feb 22 - 10 AM to 3 PM
         Can still use additional volunteers for both the AM and PM session.
      3. Springford - Wed, Mar 18 [TENTATIVE]
      4. Mentor Program Check-in Meeting @ TBD - March, TBD
Working on an event in the next month or so. Mentor pairs have been contacted.

5. Environmental Engineering Presentation @ Villanova - week of Mar 23-27
   Villanova requested a presentation on environmental engineering during their next board meeting.

6. GETT Expo @ Great Valley HS - Sat, Mar 28 - 12:30 PM to 5 PM
   Anybody interested in volunteering (females preferable but all welcome) should contact Glassman. Activities are still to be determined.

7. Young Engineers Panel @ Villanova - April, TBD
   Villanova requested a young engineers panel of Villanova grads. Contact Glassman or T. Farley with anybody interested in volunteering.

V. Events Committee Updates
   A. Upcoming Events
      1. Joint Technical Social with PSPE DelCo - Mar
         Williams has reached out to PSPE to begin planning.
      2. Adopt-A-Highway Spring Cleanup - April
         a) Coordinate with Bob and Reuben for PR
         Abel added that we should also coordinate with ASCE Communications regarding the media presence at the event.
      3. Section Dinner Meeting - Career Wardrobe Collection - Thurs, April 16
         There will be a table for donations at the dinner meeting.

VI. Communications Committee Updates
   A. Event Tracking Spreadsheet
   B. Other Society Events
   C. Awards
      1. Alfred Noble Award, Due May 1 https://www.asce.org/templates/award-detail.aspx?id=1497
         Awarded for a technical paper written in the last year.
   D. Section Newsletter
      Copy deadline is 2/21: Steppingstone, ERYMC Recap, Presentation BVM. Daprano has contacted Ben Walpole to try to get our Steppingstone Scholars event into ASCE News.

VII. Look Ahead
   A. Critical Issues Seminar
      Kirn is still working with the Vision Zero theme and should have a date and location soon.

VIII. Open Discussion [15-minute cap]
   Board bonding rock climbing on 2/23.
   Kirn requested clarification on if you have to be a Philadelphia dues paying member to attend the next section dinner.
   Natale is organizing another camping trip for late spring.
   Medora was contacted by NAWIC to discuss how our values align and would like to work on planning an event with them.
   E. Farley was made aware that another mussel hatchery event is in the works.
   Doyle congratulated Gormley and Daprano for their awards/scholarships that they are receiving as part of ECP E Week.
   Ke. Brown presented ideas to further promote some of the things that ASCE has going on nationally to our membership. A lot of us attend ERYMC and hear a lot at the society level, but it tends to stop there.
The Board will consider holding an open meeting in March at either DVRPC or Amtrak, either physically or even virtually by opening the phone line to the public.
Natale proposed organizing an ASCE career fair in Philadelphia for all of the area schools.

IX. Officer Reports
   A. Vice President
   B. Secretary
   C. Treasurer
   D. Information Technology
   E. Awards
   F. Public Relations
      Daprano was approached by Drexel to take over as practitioner advisor.
   G. Society Liaison
   H. Social Media
   I. Student Member Transition
   J. College Contact
   K. K-12 Outreach
      Always looking for more Philly area schools to reach out to.
   L. Civil Engineering Club
   M. Social Events
      Phillies game planning will commence in the next month or so.
   N. Professional Development
   O. Technical Events
      Williams is planning a construction tour in April with the water department and some of their ongoing projects in Northern Liberties.
      Kim is in early planning on two events. One is the Penn Medicine tour part two, and the other is a construction tour of a residential/mixed use development in Kensington.
   P. Community Service
   Q. Mentors

X. Other ASCE Updates
   A. Digital Strategy Advisory Council
   B. Committee on Professional Career Growth
   C. Committee on Student Conferences and Competitions
      Working on a proposal to add additional competitions to future student conferences. CSCC and CSM are coordinating to make sure there is representation at every student conference in an effort to bring back best practices and share them with other regions. Medora will be attending the Southeast Conference.
      Gormley suggested that we try to have a presence as a YMF at the Mid-Atlantic student conference.
   D. Committee on Student Members
      Ke. Brown will be attending the Great Lakes Student Conference.
   E. Committee on Sustainability
      The committee is trying to refocus its vision and efforts to redefine what the committee is and stands for.
   F. Committee on Younger Members
      There was a CYM call last week to recap the MRLCs and the focus is now shifting YMLS and YMLS Alumni Summit planning. Wilson will be helping to plan the Sunday session at at the summit.
   G. Future World Vision
Gormley recapped how Future World Vision was rolled out at ERYMC, explaining the current future of the program and that if anybody has input on what they saw or interacted with at ERYMC, please share that.

H. Members of Society Advancing Inclusion Council
   I. Program and Finance Committee
      Gormley discussed some of the travel budget cuts that ASCE is currently enforcing, primarily including the promotion of virtual meetings rather than face-to-face.

XI. Adjourn
   A. Next Board Meeting on Wed, March 25, 2020 @ 5:30 PM @ To Be Announced

~~Please join us for post-meeting drinks. The location will be announced following meeting adjournment.~~