American Society of Civil Engineers
Philadelphia Section
Younger Member Forum

2021-2022 BOARD MEETING #4

WHEN: Thursday, October 28, 2021 @ 5:30 PM
WHERE: Zoom Meeting
CALL INFO: Meeting ID: 959 8789 0514, Passcode: 99Cxuuth

ATTENDANCE (italics indicates called-in):
✓ Dennis Wilson ✓ Tyler Farley ✓ Darren Black
✓ Tim Abel ✓ Ben Deatrich ✓ Ajin Fatima
✓ Lindsay Chateauvert ✓ Christian Antisell ✓ Kirsten Brown
✓ John Doyle ✓ CJ Medora ✓ Kevin Walsh
Katrina Lawrence ✓ Paige Glassman ✓ Sean McCreesh
✓ Nooraldean Dabdoub ✓ Cory Bogas ✓ HuYoung Kim
✓ Sabrina Mamo ✓ Mohamed Asker ✓ Marty Williams
✓ Kayla Nelson ✓ Assunta Daprano ✓ Caroline Voigtsberger

GUESTS: Eammon Farley, Joe Natale

AGENDA

I. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Welcome to Guests (Wilson)

II. Consent Agenda (Wilson)
   A. INCLUSIONS:
      1. 2021-2022 Board Meeting #4 Agenda
      2. 2021-2022 Board Meeting #3 Minutes
   B. Motion to approve consent agenda items.
      1. MOTION: Nelson
      2. SECOND: Glassman
      3. DISCUSSION: None
      4. RESULT: Passed Unanimously

III. Executive Committee Updates (Wilson)
   A. ASCE Updates
      1. Society (Wilson)
         a) ASCE COVID Guidance
            Updated COVID guidance posted requiring vaccination at society-level events (i.e. conferences, committee meetings, etc.). Will evaluate how this impacts our future planning in near term.
         b) ASCE Day - November 5
            ASCE day is Friday, November 5. Daprano social media post coming with a contest on ASCE memories. Various planned features including discounts, social media, etc.
      2. Region 2 (Natale)
Region 2 Assembly @ University of Maryland - Saturday, November 13
Natale highlighted the planned agenda for the R2 assembly. Wilson sent out registration information. The current registrants are mostly students; more younger members are encouraged to register.

3. Section (Wilson)
   a) Dinner Meeting (Virtual) - October 14
      Wilson recapped the meeting. Drexel University students spoke at the beginning, then the I-95 project was presented by CDM Smith.
   b) Dinner Meeting (Virtual) - November 11
   c) T&DI Institute: Building Better Bus Stops - November 18
      Wilson noted this is a lunchtime event.
   d) Webinar Library
      Wilson highlighted the webinar library and encouraged folks to access for PDHs.
   e) 2022 PA Infrastructure Report Card (IRC)
      Wilson noted that volunteers are needed for the IRC, which has an anticipated July 2022 release date.

B. Budget (Doyle)
   Doyle had no updates on the budget.
   1. Scavenger Hunt Donations (Wilson)
      Wilson highlighted the $4,900.00 was donated to worthy causes. Various donations, including to the SRDC Trail Cleanup Post-Ida, Rail Trail, Future City Competition, Carver Science Fair, Project HOME, TTF Watershed, and others.

C. Task Committees
   1. Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (Doyle)
      a) JEDI Moment - ASCE Best Practices Resource Guide
         Doyle went over the ASCE Best Practices Resource Guide on how to incorporate diversity and inclusion from ASCE’s perspective. Not all have been released yet. The executive summary highlights the purpose of the guide. Please reach out to Doyle with any questions. The JEDI Committee would like to create a supplement to establish these practices locally.
      b) Bike Tour - November 6th @ 9AM
         Doyle informed the Board the bike tour consists of approximately seven stops along the four mile route. Attendees will meet at Kahn Park at 11th and Pine at 9 am.

IV. Communications Committee Updates (Chateauvert)
   A. Event Tracking Spreadsheet
   B. Google Drive Access and Structure
      1. Username: phillyymf
         Password: Phil$gr8
   C. Annual Report (Asker)
      The Annual Report is due before Thanksgiving, Asker would like it to be a collective report. Asker went over the structure of the report. If you won an award or had any publications, please contact Asker. Wilson said it only takes a minute or two to really help out.
   D. Social Media Update (Daprano)
      Daprano just posted about the JEDI bike tour. There is a Board Member Friday going out tomorrow, October 29. Daprano has a recap of the ASHE Adopt-A-Highway Clean-Up scheduled to be posted next week.
   E. Awards (Glassman)
Glassman said it is awards season. She made a google form that she will send out. Please fill out. She will gather up the top answers and send them out to everyone to vote.

V. Outreach Committee Updates (Abel)
A. CivE Club (Mamo/Dabdoub)
   Dabdoub said the CivE Club started last Monday. They dropped off the supplies and have been sending the presentations to the teacher for their review. If SEPTA goes on strike, then the CivE Club will go online 100%. They would have to change their approach and send out materials to the students. McCreesh said that he has a few activities that do not need materials. Dabdoub will reach out to McCreesh.

B. College Contacts (T. Farley/Nelson)
   Nelson said they met with the student leaders about two weeks ago. Attendance was low. They are going to move the FE Prep Event and the Welcome Back Event to the spring to hopefully have them in person. Nelson met with Chateauvert, Wilson, and K. Brown to discuss an email to send out to the new collegiate members to welcome them. Wilson said that the virtual burnout is being reflected in the participation for the mentor program as well.

C. Student Transition (Medora)
   There are three mentors and two mentees signed up.

D. K-12 Outreach (Antisell/Deatrich)
   Antisell is waiting to hear back from teachers since schools are hesitant to look for programming, although we are offering virtual programming. They do have a few teachers that want to have events in the spring. Events are still virtual unless teachers advise otherwise. Antisell thanked Daprano and Mamo for the teacher contacts they provided.

VI. Events Committee Updates (Doyle)
A. Event Recaps
   1. TTF Watershed - Saturday, October 9 (Williams/Voigtsberger)
      Williams said they had ten attendees who planted vegetation behind the Friend's Hospital. They planted trees to stabilize the soil since there were a lot of issues with stormwater runoff. TTF said we are their favorite group. They sent a postcard thanking us (Williams held the postcard up to the screen).
   2. Adopt-A-Highway - Saturday, October 16 (Williams/Voigtsberger)
      Twelve people cleaned up trash during the Adopt-A-Highway event. They then had some food at the new outdoor seating area at Fireside. They were very fortunate with the weather, as it rained about a half hour after they were finished.

B. Upcoming Events
   1. Life Do Grow - Saturday, November 20 (Williams/Voigtsberger)

C. Events to Track
   1. Potential Technical Tour - SEPTA Wawa (Kim/McCreesh)
      Penn Medicine at Presbyterian Campus doesn’t start til January 2022. Kim will keep us posted.
   2. Critical Issues Seminar (Black/Fatima)
      Fatima reached out to her forensic engineering professor at Villanova. Doyle suggested someone related to ethics. He suggested his ethics professor at Temple. Wilson recommended Mike Zettelmoyer (mzettelmoyer@bnm.law).

VII. Look Ahead / Other Business
A. Polos
Abel said everyone responded immediately and explained there was a tie for the chosen neckline. This followed with a vibrant discussion on the pros and cons of each shirt collar type and a fashion show by Ki. Brown. The Port Authority shirt was determined as the winning selection.

B. Winter Social

Abel said the only firm details for the event are that it is going to be held at McGillin's and vaccination cards will be required. He is going to start thinking about timing with February as a contender. Abel will form a separate smaller group to help plan in the next few months. Chateauvert said to use “line floaters” to speed up the wrist bands. Abel ended the convo with “Cool, sounds good”.

VIII. Open Discussion

A. Board Bonding

The Board event at Frankford Hall was very fun. The next event will be Axe Throwing on November 17. Significant others are invited.

IX. Officer Reports

A. Vice President (Abel)
B. Secretary (Chateauvert)
C. Treasurer (Doyle)
D. Awards (Glassman)
E. Information Technology (Bogas)
F. Public Relations (Asker)
G. Social Media (Daprano)

Daprano did a shoutout to Williams for his timely recaps and photographs.

H. Professional Development (Black/Fatima)
I. Social Events (Walsh/Ki. Brown)
J. Technical Events (Kim/McCreesh)
K. Community Service (Williams/Voigtsberger)
L. Civil Engineering Club (Mamo/Dabdoub)
M. College Contact (T. Farley/Nelson)
N. K-12 Outreach (Deatrich/Antisell)

Deatrich verified everyone could hear him. He had nothing further to add.

O. Student Member Transition (Medora)

P. Mentors (Lawrence/Natale/Gormley/E. Farley/Truong/Ke. Brown)

Natale noted Avery is very upset the meeting is ending. E. Farley spoke to the Board about not being discouraged through these unprecedented times.

X. Other ASCE Updates

A. Digital Strategy Advisory Council (Natale)
B. Committee on Professional Career Growth (Natale)
C. Committee on Student Conferences and Competitions (Medora)
D. Committee on Student Members (Ke. Brown)
E. Committee on Sustainability (Abel)

Abel said the Committee’s planning summit is coming up.

F. Committee on Younger Members (Wilson)

Wilson said the fall meetings consist of two four hour meetings. Abel was able to participate for a portion of the meetings. They are hoping to collaborate with COS for Younger Members Week in January 2022. There is a career boosting webinar series coming in December. All YMCs have been pushed out to the Summer 2022 to hopefully have in person. There will be strictly younger members at the planned events.
G. Program and Finance Committee (Gormley)
H. Leader Training Committee (Gormley)
I. MOSAIC (Doyle)
   Check out the guide. ASCE Best Practices Resource Guide

XI. Adjourn
   A. Next Board Meeting
      1. Thursday, December 2nd @ 5:30 PM