American Society of Civil Engineers
Philadelphia Section
Younger Member Forum

2025-2026 Board Meeting No. 8

DATE: Wednesday, February 25, 2026
TIME: 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM
LOCATION: Pennoni, 1900 Market Street, Suite 300, Philadelphia, PA 19103
CALL INFO: Teams Link (Meeting ID: 228 112 625 595 8; Passcode: kg7Z2a3R)

ATTENDANCE: *Virtual attendees in italics.*

Kevin Walsh (KeW)	Noor Dabdoub (ND)	Anthony Rizzo (AR)
CJ Medora (CM)	*Laurel Welch (LW)*	Kerianne Chen (KC)
Kayla Nelson (KN)	*Zach Abbas (ZA)*	Katie Wade (KaW)
Christian Antisell (CA)	Andrew Edwins (AE)	Emma Youngs (EY)
Assunta Daprano (AD)	Alyssa Pizzi (AP)	Cory Bogas (CB)
Elvira Mikhael (EM)	Kevin Malley (KM)	*Tony Ableman (TA)*
Tyler Farley (TF)	*Gina Venuto (GV)*	Shane Leiphart (SL)
	Lexi Gawelko (LG)	Hannah Booz (HB)

GUESTS:

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL **(KeW)**

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (**KeW)**
    a. January Board Meeting No. 7 Meeting Minutes

3. REPORTS OF OFFICERS **(KeW)**
    a. President **(KeW)**
        i. Past Events
            1. ECP Engineers Week Opening Ceremony - Hilton Philadelphia at Penn's Landing (2/19)
            2. T&DI Philadelphia Chapter Lunch Time Webinar (2/17)
        ii. Upcoming Events
            1. March Section Dinner Meeting at Maggiano's Center City (3/12) - Registration Link TBD
            2. Mid-Atlantic Student Symposium - University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown (4/17-4/19)
        iii. Other News
            1. Society Committee Applications are OPEN now through March 15.
                a. CM noted recent changes to Society committees and recommended anyone interested in applying should review the ASCE website for the updates
    b. Treasurer **(CA)**
        i. FY26 Budget
            1. Budget 25.9% utilized to-date
        ii. Reimbursement Requests
            1. Treasurer noted reimbursement requests not yet received from STM, CO, and K-12 and reminded those committees to reach out for reimbursement if needed. Community Outreach has been using existing materials so far this term, but will coordinate when they purchase new supplies.
            2. KW asked if the ASHE invoice from the happy hour event was processed. CA will confirm.

4. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES **(KeW)**
    a. Communications Committee **(KN)**
        i. Awards **(TF)**
            1. ASCE Philadelphia Section Award Nominations (2/9)
                a. TF shared the nominees for Section Awards: Community Outreach and Service (Emma), Construction Engineer (Noor), Project of the Year (one of Lexi's projects), Young Civil Engineer (Kayla), and Young Government (Ivan from PWD)
    b. Outreach Committee **(CM)**
        i. Past Activities
            1. Student Bowling Night at Lucky Strike Philadelphia (2/11) **(CB)**
                a. Event sold-out and majority of RSVPs attended.
        ii. Upcoming Activities
            1. Universal Creighton Charter School w/ Girls Inc. (2/26) **(TA/SL)**
            2. Temple ASCE General Meeting - YMF Information Session (2/26) **(CB)**
            3. Imhotep Institute Charter High School Stem Week Tabling (3/9) **(TA/SL)**
                a. TA confirmed at least one volunteer signed up.
            4. Perkiomen Valley High School (3/13) **(TA/SL)**
                a. TA confirmed 4 volunteers have committed.
            5. Temple ASCE General Meeting - FE Panel & Presentation (4/9) **(CB)**
            6. Mentor Program Year-End Celebration (4/15) **(HB)**
                a. HB noted RSVPs were sent out and will send reminders. Mentoring Program continues to send out monthly newsletters.
        iii. Future Activities
            1. TGR Learning Lab Collaboration **(TA/SL)**
                a. SL noted this organization is similar to Girls Inc. and is a science lab facility helping to facilitate STEM to grade-school students (typically high school age).
    c. Events Committee **(CA)**
        i. Past Events
            1. I-95 Central Access Philadelphia (CAP) Project Tour (2/20) **(LG/AR)**
        ii. Upcoming Events
            1. Life Do Grow Farm Service Event (3/14) **(KC)**
            2. Joint Happy Hour with American Water Resources Association (AWRA) (3/26) **(KM/GV)**
        iii. Future Events
            1. Critical Issues Seminar (4/2) **(AE/AP)**
                a. AP will call venue tomorrow to finalize details. AECOM panelist confirmed and have reached out to Marcus Wagner, awaiting confirmation. AE and AP are reaching out to other potential panelists and asked for suggestions of panelists who can speak to the topic (AI in the Civil Engineering Industry) to fill the remaining 1-2 panelist spots.
            2. Spring Adopt-A-Highway w/ ASHE DelVal (4/18-4/19 or 5/2-5/3) **(KC)**
                a. Next clean-up is tentatively scheduled for 5/2
            3. Election Happy Hour (5/7 or 5/12) **(KM/GV)**
                a. GV noted 3/12 deadline for menu. CM to coordinate with GV to get banner and table runner at a future meeting or event.
    d. Justice, Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion (JEDI) Committee **(EM)**
        i. Future Activities
            1. Accessible Venue List **(EM)**
                a. EM to send out link to venue list
            2. Community Service Collaboration (Summer) **(EM/KC)**
                a. Reached out to community center in South Philly with a focus on LGBTQ+ youth and has not received a response. JEDI committee are taking suggestions on other partner organizations for potential outreach events.

5. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES **(KeW)**

a. Winter Social Committee **(CM)**
    i. Winter Social (2/2) **(CM)**

6. NEW BUSINESS **(KeW)**
    a. President **(KeW)**
        i. ASCE Philadelphia Bridge Photo Contest (7/15)
    b. Treasurer **(CA)**
        i. E-Blast Call for Information (3/4)
    c. JEDI **(EM)**
        i. Winter Social Feedback Survey
            1. EM stated that JEDI put together a survey requesting feedback for the Winter Social and its location as related to accessibility, which then transformed into a general feedback survey. Several responses were received, summarized below.
                a. Pros: Good networking
                b. Cons: Loud; Too many city-related prizes
                c. Suggestions: More construction-related tours; Softball tournament.
                d. EM suggested making a general survey that is short and easy to fill out to include at future events. EM will update the survey and send out a link.
        ii. DEI Implementation in the Workplace
            1. Event stalled due to speaker fee.
    d. Awards **(TF)**
        i. Charles Pankow Award for Innovation - Society Award (3/20)
            1. TF and KN working on the awards preparation. TF noted that I-95 was nominated for the award and they are checking the date range before applying.
    e. Community Service **(KC)**
        i. Books Through Bars
        ii. TTF Watershed

7. OPEN DISCUSSION **(KeW)**
    a. Board Bonding: KC may have space to host, pending schedule. CA to send out survey.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS **(KeW)**
    a. Next Meeting:
        Wednesday, March 25, 2026 at STV, Inc.
        1818 Market Street, Suite 2300, Philadelphia, PA 19103

9. ADJOURNMENT **(KeW)**