



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



Date: Thursday, October 26, 2006
Time: 5:30 PM
Location: Dark Horse Pub
421 South 2nd Street, Philadelphia

ATTENDEES

Jeremy Colello
John Federico
Joe Platt
Don Gusic
Jeremy Chrzan
Steve Gault
Christopher Shaeffer
Dave Petrucci
Tze-wei Choo
Sharon Perez-Suarez
Fred Vesci
Mike Wagner

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Professional Development Chair
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- 1) Meeting Minutes from the August 29, 2006 Meeting were approved.
 - 2) Activities Updates
 - a) YMF
 - i) Bowling Event Recap – John explained that the bowling event on Sept. 21st was a success and was attended by about 30 members and students. The YMF will consider making this an annual event.
 - ii) YMF Spotlights for the Newsletter (next deadline is 12/8) – Fred, Jeremy Chrzan, Chris and Tze-wei have yet to be spotlighted in the newsletter.
 - iii) Student Scholarship Program – John will send Jeremy Chrzan the forms to post on the web site. John will let Carol know when they are posted. Tze-Wei & Shivani will alert the colleges that the forms are on the website. **ACTION: John, Jeremy Chrzan, Tze-Wei/Shivani**
 - iv) Winter Social Committee – A conference call is to be held on Tuesday, October 31st at noon. The location needs to be finalized ASAP. The date was temporarily set for January 31st or Feb. 1st pending availability.
 - b) Section
 - i) Young Engineer of The Year (YEOTY) Nominations – This program is run by the Engineers Club of Philadelphia. Nominations due by 12/1.
 - ii) YMF/Section Meeting to be held on Thursday, November 2nd at the Union League, (Topic: Update on the Transportation Funding Reform Commission, Speaker: Karen Rae from PENNDOT)
 - 3) Upcoming Events/Programming
 - a) Student/YMF Scavenger Hunt (Sunday, November 5) – YMF volunteers are still needed for this event. At least one YMF member per team is desired. John and Sharon volunteered at the meeting, which brought the total number of YMF volunteers to four.
 - b) Winter Social (date TBD) – See 2.a.iv) above

- c) NERYMC (1/26 – 1/27) John to fill out form for attendees and submit it to the Section ASAP. **ACTION: John**
 - d) Critical Issues Seminar – after some discussion, it was decided that the date should be around the week of March 12th. Dave and Chris should form a committee to decide the date, location, and speakers. **ACTION: Dave & Chris**
- 4) Potential Events
- a) Happy Hour - Manayunk was discussed as a possible location for the next happy hour to try to draw people from the suburbs. The tentative dates discussed were 12/6 & 12/7. The idea of a resume swap was also suggested. Don said that a maximum of \$175 is available for this Happy Hour.
 - b) Outreach, Community Service, Technical and/or Professional Development – Steve asked the Board for input on potential events and expressed that he'd like to get something set up by December before the weather gets too cold.
 - i) Habitat for Humanity was done in the past, but the last time someone checked they require a donation for each volunteer. Steve said he will look into this and see if it's still accurate. John will forward past Habitat materials to Steve. **ACTION: Steve, John**
 - ii) Order of the Engineers Ring Ceremony was brought up, but this is usually handled by the Engineer's Club of Philadelphia.
 - c) Construction Site Tour next spring – Sheri has taken the role of heading up the request by the Section to get a construction tour scheduled. John suggested that we have a technical meeting in the Fall/Winter about the design of the Murano Building and then a construction tour in the Spring.
- 5) Officer Reports
- a) Outreach Coordinator / Community Service Chair (Steve Gault) – See 4b) above
 - b) College Contacts Chair - Tze-wei suggested that the college happy hour be held closer to University City so that we can attract more college students.
 - c) Social Chair – Dave suggested doing a white water rafting trip in the spring, when the snow melts, as a group building activity for the Board. It was also suggested to open it up to the whole YMF and also the possibility of including the surrounding YMF Sections.
 - d) Technical Groups Chair –
 - i) The Engineer's Club of Philadelphia is holding a Technical Meeting in January on Engineered Material Arresting Systems (EMAS), crushable cellular cement systems for stopping aircraft overruns, and they asked if the YMF wanted to co-host. There would be no extra effort on the YMF's part except for trying to fill some seats.
 - ii) See 4c) above
 - e) Professional Development Chair – Dave talked about a possible tour of the TMC Facility in Delaware. He's going to look into if it's possible and when we could do it. John suggested that we also get the Delaware YMF Section involved with the plans.
 - f) Newsletter Editor – Fred took most of the pictures he needed for the website at this meeting. A couple people said they had pictures that they would send them. **ACTION: Send Fred Bio & Pictures If He Doesn't Have Yours!!! (Copy Jeremy Chrzan)**
- 6) Next Meeting date to be decided. Most likely it will be in late November or early December.