

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



Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2006

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Pennoni Associates

3001 Market Street, Suite 200

<u>ATTENDEES</u> <u>REPRESENTING</u>

Jeremy Colello Past President (2005-2006)

John FedericoPresidentJoe PlattVice PresidentDon GusicTreasurerJeremy ChrzanIT Chair

Steve Gault Outreach Coordinator/Community Service Chair

Christopher Shaeffer Professional Development Chair

Shivani Mahajan College Contact Chair

Cathy Golata Social Chair

Sharon Perez-Suarez Technical Groups Chair Fred Vesci Newsletter Editor
Mike Wagner Assistant Secretary

1) Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2006 Meeting were approved.

2) Activities Updates

- a) YMF
 - i) Newsletter deadline approaching September 8th.
 - (1) John stated that Jeremy Collello had booked Dr. Traver to speak at the October Section Meeting
 - (2) Jeremy worked on and sent a biography for Dr. Traver to Jim Markham for publication in the newsletter
 - (3) Shivani will be spotlighted in the next newsletter; the board members who were already spotlighted will send her an example. She will forward her's onto Fred.
 - (4) ACTION: All board members who have not been spotlighted should prepare a bio and send it to Fred. All board members who have been spotlighted and still have a copy of their bios should send it to Fred to be edited and sent to Jeremy to post on the web site.
 - ii) John explained the ASCE "Fun Event" proposed by Dave Hanly to get college students participation in events. He will forward the information onto the college contact chairpersons.
 - iii) 2006-07 YMF Budget Don explained that the Website renewal fee will be paid off with the leftover money from last year. That leaves \$350 to spend for the Kick-off Happy Hour

b) Section

- i) Board Retreat John stated that a volunteer is needed to chair the "Site Visit Committee' Responsible to set up two construction site visits.
- ii) The Section wants to send one person from the YMF to the ASCE National Conference in October. John asked if anyone was interested and if no one expressed interest he would consider attending.

3) Upcoming Events

- a) Jeremy Chrzan will post the following events on the website:
 - i) Joint ECP/YMF Bike Ride along Kelly Drive (Sunday, September 10)
 - ii) Joint Section/YMF Dinner Meeting (Wednesday, October 4)
 - iii) Engineers Week Golf Outing (Friday, October 13) ACTION: J. Chrzan

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4) Potential Events

- a) Fall Kickoff Happy Hour Cathy explained the options of having the Happy Hour at either Buffalo Billiards or Strikes Bowling Lounge. The pros and cons of each were weighed and it was decided to go with Strikes. The exact date and details are to be worked out. A \$5 per person cover charge will give us flexibility on how long we can have the lanes and how much food/lanes we can supply.
- b) Comcast Center Construction Tour

5) Officer Reports

- a) Vice President (Joe Platt) Joe talked about the Section's reception of the increased budget, and said that we should know if it's approved in a couple weeks.
- b) College Contacts Chair (Tze-wei Choo / Shivani Mahajan) **ACTION:** College contacts were asked to not only e-mail but try to call and talk to the College Board Members to be sure they are receiving the announcements and also obtaining an alternate contact at each school.
- c) Technical Groups Chair (Sharon Perez-Suarez) Sharon asked for details on her tasks and the board will try to keep their eyes open for potential topics/presentations that can be given.
- d) Professional Development Chair (Christopher Shaeffer) Asked the board members for possible ideas.
- e) Newsletter Editor (Fred Vesci) Fred asked if he can have the deadline for newsletter submissions and it was determined that the dates will be given at the next Section meeting. **ACTION: John to forward dates to FRED**
- f) IT Chair (Jeremy Chrzan) Jeremy stated that some of the items on the website have been updated and he is working on the rest.
- 6) Schedule Next Meeting Next meeting to be determined, should be mid-late October.

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