



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



Date: Wednesday, February 28, 2007
Time: 6:00PM
Location: Irish Pub (20th and Walnut)

ATTENDEES

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

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- 1) Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2007 meeting were approved.
 - 2) Activities Updates
 - a) YMF
 - i) Newsletter Info – Fred stated that he was being spotlighted in the March newsletter. Jeremy Chrzan is the only board member left to be spotlighted.
 - ii) Future Cities Recap – Jeremy Chrzan was the only board member able to represent the YMF at this year’s event. He said that it went well and the entries were impressive.
 - iii) NERYMC Recap – John gave a recap of this year’s NERYMC conference. It was held in Princeton and many potential events were discussed with the surrounding chapters. The details of these events will be worked out at future meetings.
 - iv) E-mail Distribution Issues – John explained how some people are not receiving e-mail announcements when they are sent out. Jeremy Chrzan suggested we switch over to Microsoft Outlook. It’s easy to create an account and you can e-mail many people at once
 - v) Winter Social Discussion - Lessons Learned for Next Year – John gave a brief recap of the Winter Social and some of the issues that should be addressed to make the event run smoother next year.
 - (1) Leftover Prizes – The raffle was not announced. Instead the winning numbers were placed on a board and it was the responsibility of the attendees to look up their numbers. A few prizes were not claimed possibly due to people not knowing the raffle had begun.

- (a) It was decided that the raffle should be announced next year and that a microphone should be purchased so the announcer does not have to shout over the group.
 - (b) The leftover prizes will be raffled off either at the Critical Issues Seminar or at a future Happy Hour.
 - (2) Bartender (or lack thereof) – a lot of complaints were heard about the fact that there was one bartender - 2 bartenders should be at the bar next year.
 - (3) Food was perfect – Food for 140 people was ordered, 170 people showed up, 200 people RSVP'd.
 - (4) The flier should read that payment is required the day of the event. A couple of companies sent in their money before or after the event and it caused some confusion.
 - (5) After all was said and done, we ended up \$220 under budget.
- vi) Fund Raising Opportunities – NERYMC produced some interesting and potential events that include
 - (1) Kickball
 - (2) Dodgeball
 - (3) Case-a-Month – The Boston YMF got a deal with a local distributor to raffle off a prize of one case of beer a month for a year and it was a huge success that brought in a lot of money
 - vii) Remaining Budget – Don described the remaining budget and said that we are in good shape to complete the remaining activities planned for the year.
 - viii) College Student Chapter Meetings – Tze-Wei explained that she is working on contacts for the local student chapters.
- b) Section
 - i) John stated that next section Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 21, 2007

3) Upcoming Events/Programming

- a) Brownfields Technical Meetings – Will be held on Tuesday, March 6 at the MSB Building in JFK Boulevard. Jeremy Colello will put a call into Ruben David about providing food for the event. **ACTION: JEREMY COLELLO**
- b) Critical Issues Seminar, Wednesday, March 14:
 - i) Dave stated that the speakers are set.
 - ii) Drexel got back to Chris and had some major changes that involved a minimum hour requirement for workers. This brought the price of having the event at Drexel out of the budget for the event.
 - iii) Some options were thrown around for locations including McGillian's and Elephant and Castle. Chris will look into locations and try to book one as soon as possible. **ACTION: CHRIS**
- c) Construction Site Tour: A tour of Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) is planned for the week of April 17-19. An idea was placed by John to have a technical meeting before the tour. Sheri and Sharon are to look into planning this meeting. **ACTION: SHERI & SHARON.**

4) Potential Events

- a) Community Service Event – John will speak with Steve about setting up an event for the spring.
ACTION: STEVE & JOHN
- b) Social Event in the spring – A tour of the Yards Brewery was brought up and it was decided that it would be a good idea. John thought it would be a good idea to include the Lehigh Section.
- c) MASITE plans on holding a Texas Hold'em Tournament in October 2007, we will consider being a co-sponsor of the event based on costs.
- d) The following events are in the works and will be addressed in more detail at future meetings:
 - i) Whitewater Rafting trip with Lehigh and Jersey YMF Chapters
 - ii) Liberty Bell Restoration volunteer opportunity
 - iii) Phillies Game – Summer '07 (possibly joint with S. Jersey)

5) Officer Reports

- a) Vice President – Joe wanted to pass on to us that the Independence Brew Pub said that we had the biggest event ever in their bar.
- b) IT Chair – Jeremy Chrzan stated that the new website is up and running.

6) Next Meeting date to be decided. It will most likely be held in late March or early April.