



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



**Date:** Wednesday, April 4, 2007  
**Time:** 6:00 PM  
**Location:** Urban Engineers, Inc. (530 Walnut Street, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor)

ATTENDEES

John Federico  
Joe Platt  
Don Gusic  
Jeremy Chrzan  
Christopher Shaeffer  
Cathy Golata  
Fred Vesce  
Mike Wagner  
Sheri Miller (via Conference Call)  
Steve Gault (via Conference Call)

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- 1) Meeting Minutes of February 28, 2007 meeting were approved.
  - 2) Activities Updates
    - a) YMF
      - i) Newsletter Info – John said that he will check with Bob Wright on when articles for the summer issue are due. **ACTION: JOHN, FRED**
      - ii) Critical Issues Discussion – Chris explained that the event was a success. It was held at the Elephant & Castle Pub in Center City and about 30 people attended. Food was planned for 50 people, but the tight timeframe for finding and announcing the location could have contributed to the low attendance. The Pub was very helpful and Chris recommended using it again next year.
      - iii) Remaining Budget – Don handed out a copy of the budget and said that the remaining budget will allow us to have several good events before the year is out. It was decided to pay next year's web fees with this year's money. Suggestions to save money for another good bowling event in the fall was brought up and agreed upon.
      - iv) YMF Board Elections – John described the process for the election. If anyone has any questions or a position request, they should contact John.
      - v) Remaining Winter Social Prizes – A discussion was held on how to distribute the remaining raffle prizes from the Winter Social. It was decided that everyone who comes to the Election Happy Hour will receive one free raffle ticket and the drawing will be held at the happy hour.
      - vi) College Student Chapter Meetings – John explained that there is a meeting set up to take place at Widener on Monday, April 23 at noon. They are requesting Transportation and Structural Engineers to attend and share recent projects. Also, a meeting with Drexel is anticipated in the near future and there were a couple volunteers on the board willing to help out, including Don, Fred, Chris, and Chrzan.
    - b) Section
      - i) John stated that the next Section Meeting is on Thursday, April 12 at the Union League and the topic will be the design of the new Comcast Center.
      - ii) The ASCE Spring Social will be at the Constitution Center on May 10<sup>th</sup> – Jeremy will post an announcement on the website. **ACTION: CHRZAN**

- 3) Upcoming Events/Programming
- a) Construction Site Tour / Happy Hour: Wednesday, April 18 – Sheri explained the details of the tour and stated that there will be enough staff to take two groups of 15 on a tour of the CHOP construction site. Attendants are required to bring hardhats and boots. Parking will be provided. **ACTIONS:**
    - i) **CHRZAN:**
      - (1) Send out reminder e-mail about the event, this e-mail should contain direction to the happy hour for people who can't make the tour.
      - (2) Give Sheri final count one week before the event.
      - (3) Send out e-mail to participants with hardhat and boot requirement as well as parking information
    - ii) **MIKE:**
      - (1) Send reminder e-mail to SJ section.
    - iii) **CATHY:**
      - (1) Check into the logistics of the HH concerning getting beer downstairs (waiter or bartender), how much we have to spend, and how they are going to keep track of how much we spend.
    - iv) **SHERI:**
      - (1) Check into the parking situation and whether or not the attendees can keep their cars at the site and get them after the HH.
  - b) Yards Brewery Tour / Happy Hour: Saturday, April 21 – Cathy said that we should give Yards a rough head count a couple days before the event. It was requested that the Happy Hour afterwards be within walking distance of the Brewery. An e-mail reminder of the event should be sent out once the HH location is determined. **ACTION: CATHY, CHRZAN**
  - c) Community Service Event: April/May TBD – Steve explained that he was looking into setting up a Community Service Event with Rebuilding Together and another food provider organization, but they have not been responsive. John suggested that Steve set something up with the Friends of the Wisshickon so that we can advertise by the Section Meeting next Thursday. **ACTION: STEVE**
  - d) Election Happy Hour: Joe talked about the election happy hour. Locations were thrown around and Joe will look into a couple locations, including McGillins, the Darkhorse, and the Irish Pub. The HH will most likely take place on May 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup>. **ACTION: JOE**
- 4) Potential Events
- a) Camden Riversharks Outing with South Jersey YMF – The board decided that we will not organize this event because we want to focus on a Phillies outing. Mike will send an e-mail to the SJ section and tell them we will advertise this event if they give us the information. **ACTION: MIKE**
  - b) Whitewater Rafting joint w/ Lehigh & Jersey YMF's – John explained that he hasn't heard anything from the No. Jersey YMF section. We will wait on this event until we hear from them.
  - c) Liberty Bell Restoration volunteer opportunity – John said that this group is looking for a large time donation. The YMF agreed that this is more geared towards construction companies and should be removed from the agenda.
  - d) Phillies Game – Cathy will look into Thursday night games in the summer time. Joe suggested she look into the Budweiser porch location for the meal deal they have. **ACTION: CATHY**
  - e) MASITE Texas Hold'em – Cathy explained that MASITE was asking too much for our participation in this event (\$875). The prices were so high because they took the idea of a Texas Hold'em Tournament and turned it into a casino night with professional dealers and a DJ.
- 5) John explained that the YMF board should have a quick meeting before the Election Happy Hour so we can introduce the new board members to the current and outgoing members. If possible, all current YMF board members should try to attend this meeting. John will email details to the board once Joe has set the date and place. **ACTION: JOHN**