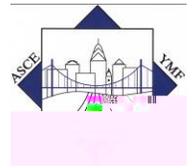




American Society of Civil Engineers Younger Member Forum YMF Board Meeting Minutes



Date: January 13, 2010
Time: 5:30 PM
Location: Michael Baker Jr., Inc. – Philadelphia

- 1) Meeting Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.
- 2) PennDOT tour was recapped. About 20~25 people attended. Manny talked for about an hour. Thank you letter was given.
- 3) Rock Bottom Happy Hour was recapped. Over 30 people attended. The place was busy due to the holiday, but was well received since people could do holiday shopping.
- 4) Upcoming Professional Society events were reviewed. Update your calendars!
- 5) Future City competition was discussed. Jeremy is signed up for Pennoni and Jon is signed up for Urban. Chris Gray, Adrienne, and Jen will be representing the YMF.
- 6) Winter Social was discussed. Event planning details were reviewed by Mike and Cathy. Mike reviewed time slots for when people could help. Cathy commented on sign-in sheet improvements. Discussed having enough \$5 for change since we ran out the previous year. Jeremy to send an email reminder to RSVP. Final headcount by 1/22/10.
- 7) ERYMC was discussed. Five people from YMF board are attending: Jeremy, Mike, Cathy, Drew, and Chris Renfro. Cathy noted to email one of these members with any ideas or thoughts for what you'd like to see improved in our chapter.
- 8) Eweek was discussed. Cathy and Chris Gray are helping to organize the Young Engineers Social on February 15, 2010 at Yards Brewery. Encouraged YMF members to come to the event and requested that Jeremy add this to the email reminder to RSVP. Cathy mentioned this event would be a great opportunity to advertise for Canstruction.
- 9) Canstruction was discussed. If anybody is interested in helping with the event, please contact Chris Gray. Chris asked new and past volunteers to hang around to review ideas for 2010.
- 10) College visits were discussed and agreed to take place throughout the Spring. Angelo mentioned that his visit to Temple in May, 2009 was successful with 25 attendees. Lindsey mentioned she would sign up for a Widener visit for a Monday at noon. Drew and Jon (and maybe Jeremy) mentioned they plan to visit Drexel at 6PM on 2/4/10.
- 11) Outreach was discussed. Jen is trying to gather contacts for schools; recommended reaching out to ASCE Board. Lindsey offered to refer SWE contacts.
- 12) Critical Issue topics were discussed. Dave listed several ideas including: PE licensure, Green Building, New Focus on Transportation, Buying a House and Saving for Retirement, Linear Greening, and Storm Water Management. The Linear Greening topic was well received, possibly change the name to "Green Infrastructure" and reach out to potential speakers. Venue locations were discussed: Dave to look into Elephant and Castle, Mike to look into McGillan's upstairs, Kazi to look into Field House. Dave also mentioned that he's looking into sponsorship for the event.
- 13) Phillies game was discussed. Generally everyone is in favor. Bobblehead night would be preferred. Kazi to look into least expensive tickets with "good seats." Preference towards June or July.
- 14) Jeremy discussed the ACE mentor program and that it's well established. Provided a website (www.acementor.org) for those interested. Ask him for the password for additional useful information.

- 15) Dave mentioned sending a letter for Haiti relief to Section in light of recent events. Other ideas discussed to aid Haiti include involvement with EWB to support relief efforts; donating raffle money to Haiti this year in lieu of Philabundance understanding that Canstruction will donate to Philabundance.
- 16) A potential Technical Group idea was discussed. It was mentioned to possibly team with the Harrisburg chapter in the tour of High Steel in Lancaster.
- 17) Angelo mentioned possible Philly Cares event in May. Also, possible trail day with Friends of the Wissahickon in April or May since this event was well received in 2009.
- 18) Alex mentioned "Red Goes Green" event. It was suggested that we aim for a "big game" such as Phils/Yankees to get volunteers for can collection.
- 19) Lindsey noted that articles are due by 1/22.
- 20) Next meeting is scheduled for 5:30PM, February 23 at Triumph Brewery (117 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia).