



**American Society of Civil Engineers  
Philadelphia Section  
Younger Member Forum**



**2019-2020 BOARD MEETING #8 MINUTES**

**WHEN:** Wednesday, March 25, 2020 @ 5:30 PM  
**WHERE:** [Skype Meeting \(Web App\)](#)  
**CALL INFO:** +1 (215) 222-0301, Conference ID: 456 01 94#

**ATTENDANCE** (*italics indicates called-in*):

☒ <i>Jesse Gormley</i>	☒ <i>Kirsten Brown</i>	☒ <i>Sean McCreesh</i>
☒ <i>Katrina Lawrence</i>	☒ <i>Cricket Schreppler</i>	☒ <i>Joe Natale</i>
☒ <i>Dennis Wilson</i>	☒ <i>Kevin Walsh</i>	☒ <i>Caroline Voigtsberger</i>
☒ <i>Tim Abel</i>	☒ <i>Paige Glassman</i>	☒ <i>Nick Kirn</i>
☒ <i>Eammon Farley</i>	☒ <i>Tyler Farley</i>	☒ <i>HuYoung Kim</i>
☒ <i>Jake Nichols</i>	☒ <i>Dani Schroeder</i>	☒ <i>Marty Williams</i>
☒ <i>John Doyle</i>	☒ <i>CJ Medora</i>	☒ <i>Ajin Fatima</i>
☒ <i>Assunta Daprano</i>	☒ <i>Lindsay Chateaubert</i>	☒ <i>Darren Black</i>

**GUESTS:** *E. Farley, Ke. Brown*

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**AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order and Meeting Etiquette
- II. Consent Agenda
  - A. INCLUSIONS:
    1. 2019-2020 Board Meeting #8 Agenda
    2. [2019-2020 Board Meeting #7 Minutes](#)
  - B. Motion to approve consent agenda items.
    1. MOTION: Natale
    2. SECOND: Walsh
    3. DISCUSSION: None
    4. RESULT: Passed Unanimously
- III. Executive Committee Updates
  - A. COVID-19 Event Cancellations

Gormley briefly summarized the current situation. The situation is fluid and we are all doing our best to keep things as normal as possible, though a large number of events are obviously being cancelled.
  - B. ASCE Updates
    1. YMLS - July 31-Aug 2 & Aug 28-30 - Reston, VA

Alumni summit was cancelled. Gormley has gotten interest from a few people in attending the YMLS' this year. If you have interest, please reach out.
    2. Region 2 Updates

No major updates at this time. Natale added that the new governor is being selected soon.

3. ASCE HQ Paver Donation  
Lawrence explained that ASCE was soliciting for people to purchase pavers at HQ to support sustainable infrastructure and that the YMF would like to purchase one. Lawrence asked if the Board was in favor and everyone agreed.
4. [ERYMC 2020 Notes](#)  
A few people have added notes. If you attended, please take a couple minutes to add your experience.
5. Section Multi-Tech Dinner Meeting @ Villanova - Apr 16  
This event has been postponed.
6. Section Spring Social @ Tendenza - May 14  
This event is still on for now, stay tuned. [Update: Following the Board meeting, it was announced that this event has been postponed to September 24.]
7. YMF Exec Board Nominations - due Mar 31  
Please send any nominations to Gormley by March 31.

C. Budget

All ERYMC reimbursement requests have been received by Abel at this time.

D. Task Committees

1. Sustainability  
No update at this time.
2. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion  
The committee's planned event has been postponed for now and a new date has not yet been selected.

IV. Outreach Committee Updates

Lawrence explained that we have been reaching out to our potential event partners and offering virtual services if that is desired.

A. Philadelphia STEM Ecosystem

Schroeder explained that we are looking for someone from the YMF to participate in one of their working groups. Gormley further explained that ASCE approached us as a leader in this area and asked us to join the ecosystem. If you have strong interest in participating in this initiative, reach out to Gormley, Schroeder, and Medora.

B. Past Events

1. CivE Club  
School is currently closed, CivE Club is currently not running. School is tentatively scheduled to reopen on April 13th, but obviously that is subject to change.
2. North Penn - Fri, Feb 21 - 9:30 AM to 11 AM
3. Engineering Day @ Franklin Institute - Sat, Feb 22 - 10 AM to 3 PM
4. FE Exam Panel @ Drexel - Tues, Mar 3 - 5:30-6:30  
General exam information and prep tips were shared with Drexel students. Schroeder, T. Farley, and Glassman presented. About 20 in attendance.

C. Upcoming Events

1. Coleman NW Regional Library - Sat, May 9
2. Mentor Program Check-in Meeting  
Program is continuing on. Virtual meetings are taking place.
3. Potential Remote Events with Colleges  
Glassman and T. Farley reached out to gauge interest in remote events with all of the colleges.
4. Spring-Ford Reschedule
5. GETT Expo @ Great Valley HS - Sat, Oct 17 - 12:30 PM to 5 PM

V. Events Committee Updates

Committee met last week and discussed postponement/cancellation of various events. Abel added that we can spend our budget through the end of September, so even if significantly postponed, hopefully we can still make a number of these events happen.

A. Upcoming Events

1. Adopt-A-Highway Spring Cleanup - April
  - a) Coordinate with Bob/Ruben and ASCE for PR
2. Career Wardrobe Collection  
Looking for alternative opportunities to run this collection depending on what events are cancelled/rescheduled.
3. Critical Issue Seminar  
Abel is beginning to work on making this event happen virtually with the topic being Vision Zero. If you have contacts that may be able to participate on the panel, please get them in contact with Abel.
4. Technical Social
5. Technical Tours  
Williams is working on a virtual presentation in place of a tour that he was working on with Joe McGovern at the City.  
Kim is also still pursuing another event at the new Penn Medicine Pavilion.

VI. Communications Committee Updates

Wilson requested if anybody has any ideas for content while we aren't running events, please share them with him.

- A. [Event Tracking Spreadsheet](#)
- B. [Other Society Events](#)
- C. Awards
- D. Section Newsletter

The newsletter is staying on schedule for now. May is typically the last newsletter of the year. Our YMF section will likely be light given the postponement of events, so if you have something else you might like to highlight in this space, please reach out to Daprano.

VII. Look Ahead

- A. Election Happy Hour - mid-May  
If this cannot physically take place, we will need to hold the election electronically. The Exec Board will review the by-laws to confirm how we may be able to proceed on this.
- B. Phillies Game and Tailgate - July/Aug  
Looking at the August timeframe, and also going to be investigating catering options to replace the usual grilling effort.

VIII. Open Discussion [*15-minute cap*]

Natale was contacted by MASITE to participate in an inter-society kickball tournament.

IX. Officer Reports

- A. Vice President
- B. Secretary
- C. Treasurer
- D. Information Technology
- E. Awards
- F. Public Relations

Wash your hands, please!

G. Society Liaison

H. Social Media

If anybody wants to share anything on social media, don't hesitate to contact Slattery. People are paying a lot more attention to social media currently and it may be a good time to put some stuff out there.

I. Student Member Transition

J. College Contact

K. K-12 Outreach

Schroeder and Medora have been working with Nichols to revamp their webpage.

L. Civil Engineering Club

M. Social Events

N. Professional Development

O. Technical Events

P. Community Service

Q. Mentors

X. Other ASCE Updates

A. Digital Strategy Advisory Council

First call is being scheduled for the next couple weeks.

B. Committee on Professional Career Growth

Committee has started to gather data for infographic.

C. Committee on Student Conferences and Competitions

They are trying to decide if they should be having the conference business meetings virtually or just hold off until 2021.

D. Committee on Student Members

Grading annual reports and also determining if business meetings should take place or be postponed.

E. Committee on Sustainability

Calls every two weeks with a transition committee that is working to put a report together over the next six months that will highlight everything COS has done in the last five years and a work plan for the next 10-15 years.

F. Committee on Younger Members

The YMLS Alumni Summit was cancelled so the next big planning focus will shift to YMLS which is scheduled for the end of the summer.

G. Members of Society Advancing Inclusion Council

If you have any information on inclusive events that you can share with Schroeder please do so.

H. Program and Finance Committee

Gormley is beginning to take a more active role in reviewing committee budgets and work on a plan to evaluate.

XI. Adjourn

A. Next Board Meeting on Thurs, April 30, 2020 @ 5:30 PM @ TBD