



American Society of Civil Engineers
Philadelphia Section
Younger Member Forum



2022-2023 Board Meeting #7

DATE: Wednesday, February 15, 2023
TIME: 5:30 – 7:00 PM
LOCATION: Two Commerce Square, 2001 Market St Suite 900, Philadelphia, PA 19103
CALL INFO: (Audio only): <tel:+13477743830>, [328934009#](tel:+13477743830)
Phone Conference ID: 367 557 787#

ATTENDANCE:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> T Abel (TA) | <input type="checkbox"/> K Nelson (KN) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C Voigtsberger (CV) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kir Brown (KB) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E Mikhael (EM) | <input type="checkbox"/> T Farley (TF) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A Daprano (AD) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C Antisell (CA) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> K Walsh (KW) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> K Chen (KC) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Z Abbas (ZA) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D Wilson (DW) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S Mamo (SM) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S McGreesh (Se M) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M Reese (MR) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C Medora (CM) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D Black (DB) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N Dabdoub (ND) | <input type="checkbox"/> C Bogas (CB) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M Williams (MW) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A Rizzo (AR) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> K Malley (KM) | <input type="checkbox"/> H Kim (HK) |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A Gawelko (AG) | |

GUESTS: None

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call (**T Abel**)
- II. Consent Agenda (**T Abel**)
 - A. INCLUSIONS:
 1. 2022-2023 Board Meeting #7 Agenda
 2. [2022-2023 Board Meeting #6 Minutes](#)
 - B. Motion to approve consent agenda items.
 1. MOTION: Ki Brown
 2. SECOND: K Walsh
 3. DISCUSSION: None
 4. RESULT: Passes Unanimously
- III. Executive Committee (**T Abel**)
 - A. ASCE Updates
 1. Section (**T Abel/A Daprano/D Wilson**)
 - a) Upcoming Events
 - (1) Dinner Meeting - Chestnut Street Bridges over CSX and 24th Street Rehabilitation - [Mach 9, 2023](#)
 - b) Past Events
 2. [Region 2 \(T Abel\)](#)

3. Society **(T Abel)**
 - a) [Committee Applications are open through March 15](#)
 - (1) D Wilson reviewed committee apps. Various committee focuses and opportunity for corresponding members. Each committee is responsible for a YM on roster.
 - b) [Legislative Fly-in](#) - March 1-3
 - (1) Scheduled as shown.
 - B. Budget
 1. [FY23 Budget](#) **(K Walsh)**
 - a) K Walsh reviewed budget spending to date. 13% of budget spent; 50% of board year passed. Continue to spend within budgeted allowances.
 - b) K Nelson fund allocation from student member grant needs to be figured out. J Natale involvement needed. K Nelson should Venmo A Daprano the funds and A Daprano will cut a check.
 - c) D Wilson noted that Student Member grant app is due March 8.
 - d) K Walsh indicated that Winter Social reimbursements are approved but not processed due to AOL Email issues. PayPal payment is forthcoming to Kir Brown. Kir Brown is awaiting final sponsor checks.
 - e) K Walsh indicated that A Rizzo, N Dabdoub, T Abel reimbursements pending.
 2. [Reimbursement Request Cover Letter Template](#) and receipts **(K Walsh)**
 - C. Justice, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (JEDI) **(M Reese)**
 1. M Reese continues with JEDI Month initiative. Will send out email recapping results. JEDI Comm considering joint event with similarly aligned organizations.
 2. M Reese applied to speak at ASCE Convention in Chicago, IL on creating JEDI Comm / organizational focuses. Awaiting feedback in March. Convention in October 2023.
- IV. Communications Committee **(A Daprano)**
 - A. [Event Tracking Spreadsheet](#) **(A Daprano)**
 - B. Website Updates **(C Bogas)**
 1. ASCE Website Template Conversion **(T Abel)**
 2. Outreach Info Update **(Kir Brown)**
 - a) Kir Brown indicated that updates are impending.
 - C. [Other Societies](#) **(K Malley)**
 1. Delaware Valley Engineers Week **(T Abel)**
 - a) Opening Ceremony - [February 16, 2023](#)
 - b) Young Engineers Social - [February 21, 2023](#)
 - c) DVEW Engineer of the Year Happy Hour - [February 27, 2023](#)
 - D. March Section Newsletter - February 17, 2023 **(K Malley)**
 1. K Malley indicated that Winter Social will be included in upcoming March newsletter. Also need content on ERYMC for update. May also include college events.
 - a) T Abel and Kir Brown will send ERYMC recap.
 - E. Social Media Updates **(A Gawelko)**
 - F. [Awards](#) **(C Medora)**
 1. Section - submitted
 - a) C Medora indicated that anticipated response from Section is March.
 2. Region 2 - [nominations open in March](#) and are due April 1
 - a) C Medora stated that YMF accepting nominations currently for these awards.
- V. Outreach Committee **(Kir Brown)**
 - A. General
 1. Board member volunteering expectation **(Kir Brown)**

- a) Kir Brown reminded Board to volunteer at at least 1 outreach committee event. Be there or be square.
 - 2. College student job listing advertisements (**Kir Brown**)
 - a) Kir Brown stated that need to bridge gap between prospective employers and college students. Will solicit job listings from employer sponsors of the Winter Social to share with students. C Antisell and others proposed a resume book for sale. C Medora proposed resume review plug through ASCE Collaborate. T Abel to source updated student lists and send to CC chairs.
- B. Mentor Program Update (**S Mamo**)
 - 1. Events to Track
 - a) Joint Event with MASITE/WTS - date TBA
 - (1) S Mamo is working with contacts from MASITE and WTS to plan joint event. Need to work through age differences among mentor program participants. Will use budget for joint-event.
 - b) Other Speaker Event - date TBA (virtual)
 - (1) Outside volunteer speaker will be at forthcoming mentorship meeting. M Reese stated that event planning committee folder holds list of non-21+ acceptable venues.
 - c) Two (2) mentees added to program recently. Meeting with mentors for these mentees this get up to speed on program.
 - d) Considering a Top Golf summer event - date TBA. Considering appetizer and golf bay purchase. Week after finals in play.
- C. CivE Club Program Update (**A Rizzo/N Dabdoub**)
 - 1. [Volunteer Spreadsheet](#)
 - a) A Rizzo highlighted that next meeting will focus on water filtration - activity demonstrates the filtration effectiveness of different media. After tomorrow, plan is to focus on balsa wood bridge building comp as well as a field trip.
 - b) N Dabdoub is coordinating with Archie Filshill from Section for tour of recycling plant. TBD on whether that actually happens. Otherwise, field trip will be at the Franklin Institute.
- D. K-12 Outreach Program Update (**K Chen**)
 - 1. Upcoming Events
 - a) Chair Update
 - i) K Chen shared that B Deatrich has resigned from position and K-12 program is soliciting a vice chair or fill-in support for remainder of year.
 - b) [JR Masterman](#) - 17th & Spring Garden - February 24, 2023 @ 10:45am-2pm
 - i) K Chen reported that Masterman event will have sufficient volunteer effort. 7 sessions, 20-mins per for 25-30 students/ea.
 - c) [Samuel Fels HS](#) - NE Philadelphia - Wed, March 15 @ 12:45-2:45 pm
 - i) K Chen stated that event will feature overview of CivE Profession and straw bridge activities. Still soliciting volunteers for event. Currently at 2 volunteers.
 - 1. Past Events
 - 2. Events to Track
- E. College Contact Updates (**K Nelson/E Mikhael**)
 - 1. General
 - a. K Nelson stated that Prac Adv's need to contact their students and keep them in the loop. Lot of interested folks fresh off of break.
 - b. E Nelson highlighted that CCCs trying to enhance engagement in the #ASCEMadeMe challenge.

- c. K Nelson indicated that website needs serious overhaul cbogas@hntb.com
- 2. Upcoming Events
 - d) ASCE Mid-Atlantic East Student Symposium @ Villanova and Temple U - [April 21-22, 2023](#)
 - i. K Nelson reminded all that Mid Atl East Stu Symp is approaching. Some competitions are on weekend. K Nelson will be volunteering with Geo Wall competition. C Medora stated that event schedule is still TBD.
 - b. Drexel University Chapter Visit (FE Panel) - February 27, 2023 @ 6PM
 - i. K Nelson stated that CCCs still looking for volunteers. Looking for EIT holders and preferably those who recently obtained EIT. Drexel U requires waiver signature for volunteers. K Chen and C Medora may attend.
 - 3. Past Events
 - a) Widener College Chapter Visit (YMF Panel) - February 8, 2023 @ 5PM
 - i) K Nelson recapped event. C Medora and E Mikhael attended virtually. Some attendees signed up to be national members. About 12 attendees. Some registered for upcoming YMF events.
- F. Other Events to Track
 - 1. Mindfulness Event for Students (*tabled*) **(T Abel)**

VI. Events Committee **(K Walsh)**

- A. Past Events
 - 1. [Winter Social @ McGillins](#) - January 30, 2023 **(Kir Brown)**
 - a) Kir Brown recapped Winter Social. Major success. Raised ~\$7,500 for local charities. 135 attendees in person. ~15 sponsors. Shoutout to Kir Brown for crushing the planning and execution!
- B. Upcoming Events
 - 1. Headshots & HH @ American Sardine Bar - [February 23, 2023](#) **(C Voigtsberger/T Farley)**
 - a. C Voigtsberger stated goal is for 25 attendees, currently at 19 registrants. RSVP remains open. Headshots will happen at BoB (Back of Bar). Venue's natural light is suitable for photos; C Voigtsberger will be providing white backdrop. A Daprano may present on marketing yourself. C Voigtsberger friend will take photos and provide Dropbox to attendees.
- C. Events to Track
 - 1. Professional Development Critical Issues Seminar - 2nd District Brewing, Topic - IJJA, date tbd **(C Voigtsberger/T Farley)**
 - a) C Voigtsberger stated that aim for mid-to-late April for CIS. Topic will be Biden 'Bucks' law with speakers from PennDOT, SEPTA, PHL, etc. to highlight projects in the pipeline and planning around funding. Will follow up on PDH requirements.
 - 2. Joint PSPE Event @ Sligo **(S McCreesh)**
 - a) Mike Schneider with PSPE has contacted C Antisell and S McCreesh about restarting this event. Tentative date was March 15. Was requesting YMF participation and sponsorship. S McCreesh will confirm the date, YMF presenter, and venue.
 - 3. Life Do Grow Farm **(H Kim/M Williams)**
 - a) M Williams reaching out to LDG contacts to begin planning for event.
 - 4. Adopt a Highway Spring Cleanup **(H Kim/M Williams)**
 - a) M Williams contacted Amber with ASHE for AAH Spring Cleanup. Will coordinate event date with CCCs to avoid overlap with student chapter events.
 - 5. PennDOT Traffic Management Center **(T Farley/D Black)**

- a) T Farley linked D Black with Dave Adams at PennDOT. Suggested March 29 for event date and requested time and number of attendees. Event will be at RTMC at District 6-0. D Black suggested 4pm start date and referenced 20 attendees at SEPTA, asking for Dave Adams to provide a capacity.

VII. Look Ahead / Other Business

- A. ASCE YMF Pins (**Kir Brown**)
 1. Kir Brown is collecting pin quantities. Reach out if you want one.
- B. At Risk Members (**T Abel**)
 1. T Abel highlighted "At Risk" Member info. Will share with others interested in contacting the at risk members.
- C. Event Venue Spreadsheet (**Kir Brown**)
 1. Kir Brown reminded Board about event venue spreadsheet. Considerations - ADA accessibility, inclusivity, etc. K Chen noted that one person decided to not attend Winter Social due to accessibility.

VIII. Open Discussion

- A. Board Bonding (**C Antisell**)
 1. C Antisell stated that Post-March board meeting we will have a board bonding event that is mandatory.
- B. Maryland Section Event (**K Nelson**)
 1. K Nelson highlighted an event hosted by Maryland ASCE on construction of Top Golf that also included an activity at Top Golf. Z Abbas stated that Arco worked on this project.
- C. New Faces of Civil Engineering (**K Chen**)
 1. Big winner!!!! WHOOP

IX. Officer Reports

- A. Vice President (**Kir Brown**)
- B. Secretary (**A Daprano**)
- C. Treasurer (**K Walsh**)
- D. Past President (**D Wilson**)
- E. JEDI (**M Reese**)
- F. Awards (**C Medora**)
- G. Information Technology (**C Bogas**)
- H. Public Relations (**K Malley**)
- I. Social Media (**A Gowelko**)
- J. Professional Development (**C Voigtsberger/T Farley**)
- K. Social Events (**C Antisell/Z Abbas**)
 1. Z Abbas is planning joint-event with MASITE. Cornhole tourney in mid-to-late-April or early-May. Possibly to be hosted at Sto's.
- L. Technical Events (**Se McCreesh/D Black**)
- M. Community Service (**M Williams/H Kim**)
- N. Civil Engineering Club (**N Dabdoub/A Rizzo**)
- O. College Contact (**K Nelson/E Mikhael**)
- P. K-12 Outreach (**K Chen**)
- Q. Student Member Transition (**S Mamo**)
- R. Mentors (**None**)

X. Other American Society of Civil Engineers Updates

- A. Committee applications are due March 15th if interested (<https://www.asce.org/communities/committees>)
- B. Committee on Student Members (**A Daprano**)
- C. Committee on Student Conferences and Competitions (**C Medora**)
- D. Committee on Developing Leaders (**C Medora**)
- E. Student Transition and Younger Member Retention Committee (**Ke Brown**)
- F. Members of Society Advancing An Inclusive Culture (**A Daprano**)
- G. Committee on Younger Members (**D Wilson**)
 - 1. D Wilson noted that Committee on Younger Members will be announcing YMLS Alumni Summit. Eligible attendees were at Hartford or previous. Same weekend as Student Symposium. Event will be in Las Vegas from Friday - Sunday, April 21 weekend.
 - 2. YMLS to return to ASCE HQ in Reston from August 18-20.
 - 3. Student activity grants (up to \$500) are back! Due March 8. See Younger Member page for details.

XI. Board Meeting Schedule

- A. Next Meeting Date, Time, Location:
Wednesday, March 15 @ 5:30 PM
Location TBA

XII. Adjourn