BOARD MEETING – MEETING MINUTES
Monday, March 1, 2021 – 4:00pm

VIA MS TEAMS VIDEO CONFERENCE DUE TO COVID-19 RESPONSE

1) Call to Order

President Pawula called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm.

a) Roll Call
   i) Secretary Huffman called roll. A quorum was present with 16 of 18 board members present. See below list of attendees. Treasurer Homola arrived late to the meeting as noted below.

b) Recognition of Guests
   i) No physical guests present as the meeting was video conference only. See below list of attendees.

IS Board Members

- Brian Pawula, President
- Megan McDonald, Past President
- Andrew Walton, President-Elect
- Sandra Homola, Treasurer (Late – 4:35pm)
- Matt Huffman, Secretary
- Megan Elberts, Director to 2021
- Tom Janicke, Director to 2021
- Anne Marie Jensen, Director to 2021
- Jeana Gowin, Director to 2022
- Zach Pucel, Director to 2022
- Nihar Shah, Director to 2022
- Justin Weisberg, Construction Institute Chair (CI)

Committee Chairs/Additional Attendees & Guests

- Tom Borges, Membership Committee Chair
- Taylor Grove, Student Outreach Chair
- Kirsten Mawhinney, Sustainability Committee Chair
- Liz Jensen, Engineers Without Borders (EWB) Chair
- Katie Bell, Communications & Website Committee Chair
- Ken Gomez, Social Media Committee Chair
- Matt Kirby, Government Relations Chair
- Tim Scully-Granzeier, Social Media Committee Chair
- Don Wittmer, Engineer’s Week Committee Chair
- Tim Alston, Mentorship Committee Chair
- Path Lach, Report Card Committee Chair
- John Lazzara, Region 3 Governor
- Robert Brzezgon, Government Relations Committee Member; D&I Fundraising Committee Member
- Monica Crinion, ASCE Member
- Tiffany Barron, UIC Student Chapter
- Natasha Breslieva, UIC Student Chapter
- Shea McHenry, NU Student Chapter
- Robert Szymczyk, NU Student Chapter

Attendance Key:
P - Present, Ph – Phone/Electronic, E - Excused, A – Absent
2) Acceptance of Minutes
   a) The minutes from the February 1, 2021 Board of Directors meeting were approved as written. Past President McDonald motioned to approve with a second from President Elect Walton. **Motion passed with 16 – aye and 0 - no.**

3) Treasurer’s Report
   a) The March 1, 2021 Treasurer’s report was presented. (See attachments)
   b) Various other action items were discussed as noted on the attached Treasurer’s Report, specifically:
      i) Considering pursuing Illinois Sales Tax Exemption.
   c) Past President McDonald motioned to approve the treasurer’s report with a second from President Elect Walton. **Motion passed with 16 – aye and 0 - no.**

4) New Business – Guests
   a) UIC Student Chapter – Tiffany Barron / Natasha Breslieva
      i) A PowerPoint presentation was made by the UIC Student Chapter. (See attachments)
      ii) The Student Chapter was awarded Certificate of Commendation for scoring in the top 5% of student chapters by ASCE HQ.
      iii) The Student Chapter initiated the ASCE Legends program. They have had five presentations since fall 2020 with more planned for spring 2021.
      iv) They have a remodeled Student Chapter garage space for constructing various projects and would use the funds to assist with their new space.
      v) In accordance with the FY 21 budget, the IS will grant the ASCE UIC Student Chapter $2,000. No vote was taken.
   b) NU Student Chapter Shea McHenry / Robert Szymczyk
      i) A PowerPoint presentation was made by the NU Student Chapter. (See attachments)
      ii) The Student Chapter formed a bi-weekly newsletter to enhance connections to their members given the virtual environment.
      iii) The Student Chapter and the Civil & Environmental Engineering Department promoted discussions of social equity in engineering through hosting various events tailored for civil engineers. The events had over 130 students in attendance.
      iv) The Student Chapter is participating in the ASCE Legends program being run by UIC.
      v) In accordance with the FY 21 budget, the IS will grant the ASCE NU Student Chapter $2,000. No vote was taken.

5) Old Business
   a) Partnership with ACEC (Student Outreach Initiative) – Brian Pawula / Taylor Grove
      i) A summary email was displayed (see attachments). ACEC offered a virtual session to the participating professional organizations last Friday (2/26) to view the initial version of the videos. A schedule has not been set yet for the formal release.
   b) Convention – Megan McDonald
      i) The Local Convention Committee met on February 12th and provided ideas to Committee Chair Karen Kabbes. Per the direction of the HQ Convention Committee, the Local Convention Committee is on-hold until a decision will be made if a virtual or in-person event will be held. A decision is expected in mid-March.
      ii) If the Convention is virtual, the 2022 Convention will be in Chicago.
   c) Bylaws – Brian Pawula / Megan McDonald
i) Past President McDonald contacted the old by-laws committee. Their initial meeting will be setup in March and plan to go through the prior comments. The updated by-laws will be provided to the IS Board in April so the revised bylaws can be advertised in the Summer Newsletter (May 15th deadline).

d) Future City Competition – Anne Marie Jensen
i) A summary report was provided (see attachments). The Future City Competition was held virtually on February 27th.
ii) This year due to COVID, there were only 7 teams that participated. Typically, there are usually 15 to 25 teams.
iii) Seventeen special awards were awarded from 14 organizations.
iv) The National Competition is March 6th with 40 student teams participating. The IL Region will be sending one team to the national competition. They are still looking for judges (see attachment for the link).

e) Scholarships – Tom Janicke
i) A summary report was provided (see attachments). Four student scholarship presentations were made on 1/27, 2/4, 2/11, and 2/18. An open panel of professionals were at each meeting. Student attendance was lower than desired.
ii) The scholarship submittal deadline is March 15th, which may be pushed back depending on the application response.
iii) Thirteen scholarships will be made available totaling $17,500.

f) Student Conference Realignment – Brian Pawula
i) A summary exhibit was displayed showing the proposed Region 3 student conference re-alignment, which consists of two sub-regions. (See attachments).

New Business

a) Great Lakes Student Conference – Brian Pawula
i) A summary email was displayed (see attachments). The Great Lakes Student Conference will be on April 10-11 hosted by Purdue University.
ii) Purdue is looking for competition judges for the various side competitions (AutoCAD, Concrete Cornhole, Sustainable Solutions, Surveying, and Technical Paper. The IS plans to send out an e-blast.

b) Region 3 Update – John Lazzara
i) A summary report was provided (see attachments). There is an effort to get the Younger Members more involved. A Younger Member Advisory Council is being. If the IS YMG is interested in participating they should reach out to Governor Lazzara.
ii) The 2021 MRLC will be virtual. The 2022 MRLC will be in Cleveland (August 26-28, 2022).
iii) There is no date for the 2021 Region 3 Assembly.

c) Strategic Planning – Andrew Walton
i) A summary report was provided (see attachments). President Elect Walton participated in the Strategic Planning at the Local Level Webinar on February 25, 2021 which focused on Strategic Plans. Various other components of ASCE have Strategic Plans. The objective of a Strategic Plan is to create a road map for the future and define the direction of the group.
ii) Currently the IS does not have a Strategic Plan. This topic will be further discussed by the IS Board.

d) America’s Report Card Release and Solutions Summit – Brian Pawula
i) An email summary was provided (see attachments). The ASCE National ASCE Report Card will be released on March 3rd from 11am to 5pm. This release will partner with the virtual fly-in on Thursday, March 4th. Registration is still open for the Report Card release event.

e) Multi-Region Leadership Conference (MRLC) – Brian Pawula
REFERENCES

Written group reports for the Technical Institutes covering past, present, and future activities were provided. The following Illinois Section Technical Institutes presented reports which are attached for reference:

a) Younger Member Group (YMG) – Report submitted. (See attachment)
b) Construction Institute (CI) – Report submitted. (See attachment)
c) Environmental & Water Resources Institute (EWRI) – Report submitted. (See attachment)
d) Geo-Institute (G-I) – Report submitted. (See attachment)
   i) The data science NSF Grant, which ASCE IS supported, was submitted. It will take about 6 months to for the results of the grant submittal.
e) Structural Engineering Institute (SEI) – Report submitted. (See attachment)
f) Transportation & Development Institute (T&DI) – Report submitted. (See attachment)
g) Urban Planning & Development Group (UP&D) – No report submitted.

8) Standing Committee Reports

Written group reports for the Standing Committees covering past, present, and future activities were provided. The following Illinois Section Standing Committees presented reports which are attached for reference:

a) Awards (Anne Marie Jensen) – No report submitted.
   i) Director Jensen provided an update that there only a handful of additional views for the 2020 Annual Awards videos.
b) Sustainability (Kirsten Mawhinney) – Report submitted. (See attachments)
c) Student Outreach (Taylor Grove) – Report submitted. (See attachments)
d) Spring Dinner (Andrew Walton) – Report submitted. (See attachments)
   i) The committee is moving forward with using Book Creator as a forum to facilitate the Spring Scholarship Dinner information/videos. The Pittsburg Section used this for their awards dinner last year and as a big success (link).
   ii) An example was created using Book Creator for the 2020 IS Annual Dinner (link).
   iii) President Elect Walton attended the Washington Awards Dinner on February 25. A summary was provided. (See attachments)
e) Diversity & Inclusion (Nihar Shah) – Report submitted. (See attachments)
f) Membership (Tom Borges) – Report submitted. (See attachments)
g) Government Relations (Matt Kirby) – Report submitted. (See attachments)
h) EWB (Liz Jensen) – No report submitted.
   i) Communications & Website (Katie Bell) - Report submitted. (See attachments)
   i) There is meeting scheduled with ASCE HQ on March 12.
ii) A meeting is being targeted on April 9th (afternoon) as kickoff meeting for the IL report card committee and sub committees.

iii) Governor Lazzara asked if we had reached out to Southern Illinois Governor yet. President Elect Walton stated they had not and Governor Lazzara will provide his contact information.

iv) President Elect Walton stated that they had reached out to all the other Illinois Sections and Branches. Responses have not been received yet form all of them, but they will all be invited to attend the meeting on April 9th.


i) A deadline of June 7th was set for a decision if the event will be held in-person or virtual.

ii) Governor Lazzara recommended to conduct a survey of membership to gauge interest.

9) President Pawula entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:46 pm. A motion was made by President Elect Walton to adjourn the meeting with a second by Director Gowin. **Motion passed with 17 – aye and 0 - no.**

The next meeting will be held at **4:00PM on Monday, April 5, 2021 via VIDEO CONFERENCE ONLY.**
MEETING AGENDA
BOARD MEETING – AGENDA  
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VIDEO CONFERENCE VIA MS TEAMS ONLY

MS Teams Meeting Link
Dial-In Via MS Teams Mobile or Desktop Applications

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   f) New Faces of Civil Engineering – Brian Pawula

7) Institute/Group Reports
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   b) Construction Institute
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   g) Government Relations – Matt Kirby
   h) EWB – Liz Jensen
   i) Communications & Website – Katie Bell
   j) Report Card – Pat Lach
   k) Annual Dinner – Tom Janicke

Next Meeting: Monday, April 5, 2021 @ 4:00PM via MS Teams
AGENDA ITEM #3 – TREASURER’S REPORT

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
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TREASURER’S REPORT
March 1, 2021

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* = The Diversity & Inclusion Committee (D&IC) budget resides with the IL Section checking account. No changes to the D&IC account occurred in December.

The total account balance last year on January 31, 2020 was $193,726.30.

Checking Account Summary:

for February 1, 2021 to February 28, 2021

Account summary

- Beginning balance on February 1, 2021: $161,261.07
- Deposits and other credits: 5,547.50
- Withdrawals and other debits: -7,028.91
- Service fees: -500.00
- Ending balance on February 28, 2021: $159,555.66

Savings Account Summary:

for February 1, 2021 to February 28, 2021

Account summary

- Beginning balance on February 1, 2021: $52,250.93
- Deposits and other credits: 2.00
- Withdrawals and other debits: -1.00
- Service fees: -0.00
- Ending balance on February 28, 2021: $52,252.93

Annual Percentage Yield Earned this statement period: 0.05%
Interest Paid Year To Date: $4.22.
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## Total Expenses - February 2021

$ 6,702.91

## Total Deposits - February 2021

$ 5,547.50
**Past Action Items:**

None

**Known Future Action Items:**

1. Sponsorship Request from UIC
2. Sponsorship Request from NU
3. Look into Illinois sales tax exemption

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra Homola, P.E., CFM
IS-ASCE Treasurer
AGENDA ITEM #4 – GUESTS (NEW BUSINESS)

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
IL Section Board Meeting
March 1, 2021
CONFERENCE CANCELLED

Hello GLSC participants,

We just received word from our university that in an effort to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus, all events of over 50 people before April 10th must be canceled. This includes the Great Lakes Student Conference. There will be no in-person meeting for the GLSC, please cancel all travel plans. We are currently working with ASCE and AISC on creating virtual aspects of the competition to still allow teams to advance to the national level. While we do not have many answers now, we will be sure to keep everyone informed during the process.

We are disappointed that we will not be able to welcome you all in Madison, but we remain optimistic about the ability to compete virtually.

At this time, this is all of the information we are certain about. If you do have any questions, feel free to send us an email and we will do our best to get back to you.

Best,
Alison and Finley
ASCE GOODIES FOR MEMBERS
2020 CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION

Awarded to student chapters that received in the top 5% of scores on their annual report
Fall 2020
Starting Something Different
One of the hardest challenges we have had to face for this new year was how to keep our members involved virtually and what we should offer to them.

We have realized that many people are interested in what they can get out of the meeting such as a connection for a job or internship.

Professional development has been our focus in content for our members, however it is hard to be creative in encouraging people to attend.
PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS

PATRICK ENGINEERING

Pepper Construction

d'Escoto INC

Where Vision Meets Implementation

Kimley Horn

Expect More. Experience Better.

SAP 2000

AMERICAN SURVEYING & ENGINEERING

CELEBRATE ENGINEER'S WEEK WITH WTS GREATER CHICAGO & ASCE UIC CHAPTER
JOIN US FOR A DAY OF NETWORKING & MOCK INTERVIEWS

FEBRUARY 25, 2021
SIGN UP TO PARTICIPATE IN MOCK INTERVIEWS AND INTERACTIVE NETWORKING

PLEASE REGISTER TO JOIN US FOR ONE OF THE FOLLOWING TIME SLOTS:
- MORNING: 7:00AM - 7:00AM
- NOON: 11:00AM - 1:00PM
- AFTERNOON: 4:00PM - 6:00PM

WHO: UIC Students interested in careers in transportation & WTS professional volunteers
WHY: Provide opportunity for 2021 graduates to learn and practice virtual networking and interviewing skills
HOW: Registrants will be invited to join WTS for mock interviews and networking via ZOOM
ASCE LEGENDS
Pioneered by Michelle Calcagno

Aug. 2020  Patrick Kiely
Nov. 2020  Robert Shwartz
Feb. 2021  John Fornek

Oct. 2020  Joseph Jacobazzi
Jan. 2021  Frank Avila
Great Lakes Student Conference 2021

Purdue University, April 10-11

- Concrete Canoe
- Sustainable Solutions
- Concrete Cornhole
- Technical Paper
- Surveying
- Construction Institute Competition
- Quiz Bowl
- AutoCAD Competition
Supporting Sponsorship Opportunities

- Donate funds, materials and/or services to UIC Chapter
- Recruit and inform students about your company
- Offer workshops
- Help us compete and win our competitions
Thank You!

You can find me at
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Northwestern University

Year in Review

American Society of Civil Engineers
Student Chapter
Student Officers ‘20-’21
Significant Achievements

• Provided quality academic, social, and professional events for our students members and department as a whole
• Increased communication with student body through establishment of regular bi-weekly newsletter
• Promoted discussions of social equity in engineering through hosting events tailored for civil engineers
Challenges and Next Steps

Although we upheld a strong sense of community despite the challenges of remote learning, there is still work to be done moving forward. Due to the constraints of remote learning, we were not able to:

- recruit as many underclassman members
- Increase member involvement in events
- Increase national ASCE membership among student chapter
Covid & Remote Environments
How We’ve Stayed Connected

• Bi-weekly newsletter to stay in touch with student body and inform of various opportunities in dept.

• Hosting virtual social and professional events to foster connections and grow networks over Zoom

• Using social media to advertise events and post photos afterwards to maintain sense of community
2020-2021 Events
Social Events

- Because the underclassmen were not allowed to live on-campus, we decided to connect all students through a game night.

- Depending on the game, winners received gift cards
Professional Events

- Hosted via Zoom, professors and other professionals teach introductory skills and programs which are useful to the field of civil engineering
- Examples: SAP 2000, Rhino/SketchUp rendering, reading architectural drawings
- Typical attendance: ~30 students
Social Equity & Racial Justice Events

- Collaborated with NU’s CEE department to host social justice seminar aimed at civil engineering majors
- Emphasis on equity and inclusion through AEC
- Over 130 students in attendance
- Exec participated in NU Facilitated SERJ training
Department-Focused Events

- Connecting students to the larger Civ. & Env. Department community and our community events and opportunities

- Other programming: Mentor-Mentee Program Department-focused Newsletter
Networking Events & Collaborations

- Worked with:
  UIC, IIT
  ASCE YMG

EnvEus
Civ. & Env. Department
Mech. Engineering
NSBE
SWE
Architecture Club
Future Events

• This Year:
  Post-Undergrad Career Paths Panel Conference
  Legends Event(s)
  ASCE IL YMG Game Night
  SERJ Event *TBD*

• Next Year:
  Collaborating with MSME, Solar Decathlon, and other NU-based clubs
  Offering training sessions for hard skill: welding, concrete testing
  Continuing to build relationships with the larger ASCE Community
AGENDA ITEM #5 – OLD BUSINESS

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
Hi everyone-

Based on the doodle responses, I will send a calendar invite out for 1pm on Friday to have Images review the storyboard with everyone.

Thanks,
Kevin

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Hey everyone-

Thanks again for agreeing to partner on the Stem Video Project for IDOT. We recently completed a first review of the storyboard for this project and shared it with IDOT and they were enthusiastic about the images and direction. Now, we would like to share it with our partners. Brad Hahn and Janet Henderson from Images Inc (one or both) will walk through the storyboard and discuss next steps and get your feedback. If you are interested in participating in this meeting, please fill out the doodle poll below and we will get it scheduled.

https://doodle.com/poll/vk74y2i5qc4mkhu5?utm_source=poll&utm_medium=link

Thanks,
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Possible Chicago Convention Tour 2021  
Feb 12, 2021  

Jim H (NU)  
1. Skyscrapers Tour Downtown – would include a structural and geotechnical component. It is based on an already formatted program by a fellow professor, which would provide a walking tour of Chicago skyscrapers.  
2. This could be in conjunction with a possible session/tour as the professor has a presentation he usually gives to his students prior to the walking tour.

Karen  
1. African American Heritage Trail along the Calumet River – a cultural/historical canoe tour along the river pointing out significant locations for black history, possibly a trip to Emmitt Till’s gravesite  
2. MWRD Stickney Plan Tour  
3. Note: EWRI is going a Green Infrastructure tour as part of their upcoming conference

Andy Walton (Orion / VP of IL Section)  
1. Navy Pier – focus on architectural and design aspects of the improvements to Navy Pier  
   a. Ongoing pedestrian flyover construction & Family Pavilion renovation  
   b. Centennial Ferris Wheel (2016)  
2. City of Chicago Riverwalk Tour – focus on structural design and construction constraints – could also incorporate water quality and/or river facts  
   a. Could partner this with a moveable bridge discussion (Megan)  
   b. Could partner this with the Friends of the Chicago River (Megan)  
   c. Could partner this with the McCormick Bridge Museum (Megan)  
   d. Could involve personnel from Chicago DOT  
3. Illinois Tollway Central Tri-State Improvements / Mile Long Bridge – focus on multiple things relevant to transportation  
   a. There has already been a virtual open house for the project that might provide some insight on what the tour could be about and what the project entails

Matt Huffman (CBBEL)  
1. Northerly Island Restoration Tour  
2. Northwestern OCEA Award Winner – could combine this with other items  
   a. Possibly a person on the bus speaking of the Revive the Drive effort to reimagine Lake Shore Drive  
   b. Possibly include a tour of the CE department of NU  
3. Effects on infrastructure and the lakefront (flooding) due to global warming and pollution, etc.  
   a. Ex. Update to stormwater calcs in Illinois with the release of Bulletin 75  
   b. Join up with the USACE

Megan  
1. Circle Interchange Tour – all the work being done on the circle interchange – design considerations/constraints, construction issues they’ve encountered, etc.  
   a. We have a person on the board, Zach Pucel that has been a contact in the past, he should still be able to help with the organization of this.  
2. Diversity & Inclusion (with Nihar Shah)
a. Potential session involving local agencies and companies that have diversity committees – knowledge share/panel discussion on what they do, how they are addressing diversity in their organization

Don Wittmer (HNTB) – previous Chicago convention leader, he provided me with the tour information if you’d like me to share it.

1. Student Tours
   a. Skyscraper under construction (Trump Tower)
   b. Chicago Moveable bridge tour
   c. Green building tour
   d. Chicago River turning basin cutoff wall

2. Member Tours (all day tours)
   a. Green Building / Green Roof tour
   b. MWRD Projects tour (mainstream pumping station, Lawndale Ave Solids Management Area, McCook Reservoir, SEPA Station)
   c. Architectural Boat/Walking Tour – half day
2021 Future City Competition
Monday, March 1, 2021 - 4:00pm

Video Conference via MS Teams Only

1. IL Regional Competition – Virtual via Zoom
   a. Living on the Moon Theme – design a lunar city and provide example of how the city uses two Moon resources to keep citizens safe and healthy.
   b. Saturday, February 27th, 2021 (Q&A sessions)
   c. 7 student teams participated
   d. Top Five Winners:
      1st – Novis, Wood Dale Jr. High
      2nd – Lunar York, Montini Catholic School
      3rd – Artemis, Queen of All Saints School
      4th – Notre Luna, Alexander Graham Bell School
      5th – Atlas 11, St Athanasius School

2. IL Special Awards
   a. 17 special awards sponsored by 14 organizations
   b. Each student team received at least 2 special awards

3. National Competition - Virtual
   a. Saturday, March 6, 2021 (Q&A sessions)
   b. 40 student team participating
   c. Judging Volunteers needed from 10am to 4pm CST. Volunteer registration here: https://futurecity.org/
   d. Questions: contact Don Wittmer dwittmer@hntb.com
2021 ISASCE Student Scholarships

2021 Scholarships – 13 awards totaling $17,500

- ASCE Student Leadership & Involvement Scholarship - One $1,000 award
- Construction Institute (CI) Scholarship - Two $1,000 awards
- Environmental and Water Resources Institute (EWRI) Scholarship - Two $1,000 awards
- Geo-Institute (GI) Scholarship - Two $1,500 awards
- Structural Engineering Institute (SEI) Scholarship - Three $1,500 awards
- Transp. & Develop. Institute (T&DI) Bob Camillone Scholarship - Two $2,000 awards
- Urban Planning and Development (UP&D) Scholarship - One $1,000 award

2021 Scholarship Schedule

- March 15th – Application deadline for students
- April 1st – Institutes confirm selections for winners
- April 2nd – Notify winners
- TBD – Spring Scholarship Recognition Release

Info Session Summary – Panel Q&A and Resume Review

- Session #1 Panelists (9 total)
- Session #2 Panelists (5 total)
- Session #3 Panelists (7 total)
- Session #4 Panelists (7 total)

- Session #1 Student attendance (3 total) – 2 UIC, 1 IIT
- Session #2 Student attendance (8 total) – 2 UIC, 1 NW, 1 IIT, 4 ??
- Session #3 Student attendance (3 total) – 2 IIT, 1 ??

*Accounting for repeat guests, only 12 total students attended (2 were previous winners).
Region 3 Map – Post 2nd Meeting
AGENDA ITEM #6 – NEW BUSINESS

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
Brian Pawula

From: Lazzara, John <LazzaraJohn@stanleygroup.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2021 8:57 AM
To: Brian Pawula
Subject: FW: GLSC 2021 - Finding Judges
Attachments: ASCE GLSC 2021 - Judge Descriptions.pdf

Brian, the attached request came through Carl Sutter requesting judges to help with the Great Lakes Student Conference April 10-11 at Purdue University. I’m assuming it will be virtual. Can you reach out to the Illinois Section for volunteers? Maybe the Younger Member Group?

From: Carl Sutter <CSutter@mcmgrp.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 2, 2021 8:39 AM
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Subject: GLSC 2021 - Finding Judges

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Ken, John, and Josh,

I received this request from the Region 4 Governor (which includes Indiana) requesting judging help at the Great Lakes Student Conference April 10-11, 2021 at Purdue University.

Would you send this around your Sections to see if we can provide assistance? It would be greatly appreciated.

I have the Region 3 schools that are part of the Great Lakes Student Conference as: Bradley University, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois Institute of Technology, Northwestern University, University of Illinois at Chicago, Marquette University, Milwaukee School of Engineering, University of Wisconsin – Green Bay, University of Wisconsin – Madison, and University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee.

Thanks,

Carl C. Sutter, P.E., F.ASCE, CCS
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To: "CARL C. SUTTER P.E." <csutter2@new.rr.com>, Brad Bobich <brad@bbemllc.com>

Carl,

Since you have schools from your Region in the Great Lakes Conference could you please circulate this and see if you might have people willing to be a judge. Brad will be hitting up the team in Indiana.

Thanks,

BC
Bob Cagle
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Sent from my iPad with Outlook

Good evening,

I spoke with my new judge coordinator, Jack Bell (CC’ed on this email), and we have created a judge description/blurb document (with background on GLSC just in case). If you do not mind passing it around, it would be of great help to us! We need around 3-4 judges per side event, so we are looking at around 15 judges minimum.

Please let Jack know if you or anyone else has any questions.

Thank you!
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The Great Lakes Student Conference is one of 18 regions that American Society of Civil Engineers student chapters are divided into. These regions are based on geography and the Great Lakes Student Conference encompasses schools from southern Wisconsin, northern and central Illinois, and Indiana. In total, the Great Lakes Student Conference is composed of a set of 17 universities, with some universities joining the conference on a yearly basis, and is one of the largest regions based on the number of schools. Each April, the schools from the Great Lakes Student Conference region come together to compete in three different Civil Engineering-based competition areas: side competitions, steel bridge, and concrete canoe. Usually around 400-500 students attend and compete in all three areas of competition. This year, Purdue University has the honor of hosting the conference, but it will be virtual due to COVID-19. Because of the magnitude of the conference and the types of events we are hosting, we need judges to help us decide the winners of each competition!

This year, we have 17 schools participating, but each competition will vary on the number of teams/students so the time commitment for each competition will vary as well. The conference is happening April 10th-11th, 2021 and will be completely virtual. For more information, please contact Jack Bell at bell224@purdue.edu. And for the rules to the competitions, please visit our website at asceglsc.org.

**AutoCAD Competition**

The AutoCAD competition will require students to recreate a floor plan in AutoCAD with certain criteria in under one hour. Judges will be asked to review their submissions and determine who best completed the competition based on our scoring breakdown.

**Concrete Cornhole**

Concrete Cornhole is a fun competition in which students create their own cornhole board out of concrete and then put it, and their throwing skills, to the test in a double bracket tournament. Judges will be asked to review their cornhole boards at the beginning of the competition to determine how closely each team followed the rules.

**Sustainable Solutions**

Sustainable Solutions is a competition in which students are asked to help redevelop a part of a fictional campus in order to make it more sustainable. Teams will present their ideas to a panel of judges at the conference. Judges will be asked to attend the presentations and determine which team won based on our scoring breakdown.
Surveying

The Surveying competition is a competition in which students will be given data files to perform certain tasks on in surveying software and then will present their results at the conference. Judges will be asked to review their submissions the week before the conference, listen to the presentations at the conference, and then select a winner based on our scoring breakdown.

Technical Paper

Technical paper is a yearly competition where each university selects a student to write a paper on a given prompt. Those students then present to a panel of judges at the conference. Judges will need to listen to the presentations and select a winner based on our scoring breakdown.
Region 3 Update Report  
March 1, 2021

1. ASCE Student Conferences – decide to reduce from four to two in Region 3. Split into schools from OH/MI and IL/WI/MN/ND. Names to be determined, possibly by the students.

2. Ken Mika from Region 3 Governor from Wisconsin will be running for Region 3 Director this year.

3. Region 3 Younger Member Advisory Council initiative – limited interest shown so far so new Director will pick up this initiative later in the year.

4. 2021 MRLC will be virtual this April. Only one combined event will be held and there will be a Regional breakout session.

5. 2021 Region 3 Assembly will be virtual this summer.

6. 2022 Region 3 Assembly August 26-28, 2022 in Cleveland, Ohio.
ASCE – Strategic Planning at the Local Level Webinar
Presented by ASCE Society Director, Edward Stafford
February 25, 2021 – 12:30pm CST

Strategic Planning at the Local Level Webinar
*Recording of this webinar will be located on ASCE website.

1. What is a Strategic Plan?
   a. A strategic plan is a road map for the future which defines the direction for the group.
   b. Used to help make decision on allocating resources.
   c. Strategic Plan is different for everyone.
      i. Shared vision by the President and passed along each year.
      ii. Part of the yearly officers planning process.
      iii. Formally facilitated workshop.
      iv. A published document or graphic.
   d. Parts of a Strategic Plan
      i. Vision, Mission, and Future Direction
      ii. Core Values
      iii. SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats)
      iv. Objectives and Tactics
      v. Measurement of Success (i.e. performance metrics)
   e. How to Start
      i. Do NOT start from scratch.
      ii. Strategic Plans in ASCE should align at all levels.
      iii. A starting point is the Society Strategic Plan adopted by the Board of Direction.

2. Why Should you Have a Strategic Plan?
   a. Communicates a common set of goals that help everyone align programs and activities in the future.
   b. Provides clarity of your mission to new members and leaders.
   c. Can outlast any one member or leader.

3. Who in ASCE has a Strategic Plan?
   a. Board of Direction.
   b. Institutes
   c. Standing ASCE Committees
   d. Sections/Branches/Chapters – see ASCE TX Section Strategic Plan Example

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a. What is your Mission – why do you exist?

b. SWOT

c. What is your Strategy?

d. Create SMART Goals
e. Create an Action Plan (example at right)

Create an Action Plan

- What are the steps to be taken to accomplish the Goal?
- When will each step need to be completed?
- Who is responsible for each step being completed?
- Will these steps lead to success in the goal?

f. Measure and Review Progress (example at right)

Measure and Review Progress

- Verify Key Performance Measures (KPIs) that align with your goals.
- They may be a part of your SMART goal or another measure that the data is easily available.
- Prioritize the KPIs to avoid overloading.
- Regularly review the measures:
  - What is going well and on track? Celebrate these.
  - What is on the margin? Identify changes to bring these to success.
  - What is not going well? Review these to determine if the goal is realistic and what changes are needed to the action plan to achieve the goal.

5. Helpful Hints

Helpful Hints

- Strategic planning process is continuous.
- Strategic Objectives have Welcome the strategic plan does not
- Integrate planning and operations.
- Complete the plan.
- A strategic plan with no SMART Goals or annual actions plan is not nearly as effective as it should be.
- Don’t spend too much time in any one year making your plan “perfect”.
- Use and communicate the plan and the measures.
- Different parts for different audiences.
- Use the Plan on a regular basis.
- Review the plan as a part of your annual meeting.

6. Resources

Resources

- Use the web and search for Strategic Plan and SMART Goals.
- Review the ASCE Strategic Plan.
- Available on the Leader Training Committee Resource Website.
- Look at the Best Practices Guides for program ideas.
- Available on the Leader Training Committee Resource Website.
- Ask past leaders.
- Ask your Society Director and/or Region Governors.
- http://regions.asce.org/leader-training-committee/resources
7. Questions/Discussion

a. Is there a requirement for review or approval at the Society level for a Section or Branch’s Strategic Plan? **No, there is no Society level review requirement.**

b. What is the best way to start the process? Using a professional resource/consultant to facilitate? When creating an initial strategic plan, having someone with experience/knowledge in developing a Strategic Plan would be good. **Would not suggest Section President as facilitator for development of first Strategic Plan.**

c. Where could these Strategic Plan documents live where they can be accessed and reviewed, year over year? **There is a spot on ASCE Collaborate where these documents can live.** The presenter encouraged use of ASCE Collaborate.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew Walton, PE  
IS-ASCE President-Elect, 2020-2021
You’re Invited: 2021 ASCE Report Card Release & Solutions Summit
Join the American Society of Civil Engineers as we release our 2021 Report Card for America’s Infrastructure. The quadrennial assessment will grade the condition and performance of 17 categories of infrastructure – including drinking water, roads, the energy grid, levees, dams, and much more. After the grades are unveiled, a program of elected officials, decisionmakers, and thought leaders will discuss solutions to raising our infrastructure GPA.

**Added Speakers:**
USDOT Secretary Pete Buttigieg
Rep. Peter DeFazio (D-OR)
Rep. James Clyburn (D-SC)

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Good Morning Section and Branch Presidents, Region Governors, Society Directors, and Institute Leaders,

Due to the pandemic, the 2021 Multi-Region Leadership Conferences (MRLC) will not be held in person this year. We do still want to provide you with many of the same training opportunities that you would have during an MRLC, so we will be holding a 4-day virtual event that is scheduled from Wednesday, April 7 through Saturday April 10. We are currently planning for 2-hour sessions each afternoon, with the timing set to accommodate leaders in all of our US time zones.

The goal of the MRLC is to provide the tools, knowledge and resources needed to effectively and efficiently run your local units. One of the advantages of the virtual format is that we will be able to reach a larger audience, so we encourage you to share this information with others in your respective groups. We are planning for presentations on ASCE Resources, Ethics for Volunteer Leadership, and Best Practices. This will also be an opportunity for you to hear from and interact with our ASCE Society leaders, including the President, President-Elect and Executive Director, so start thinking of your questions now!

Be sure to add the attached save the date to your calendar, and additional registration details including confirmation of the final times and an agenda will be coming very soon! In the interim, if you have any questions, please contact Nancy Berson at nberson@asce.org or at 571-262-1754.

We look forward to meeting with you in April. In the meantime, please stay healthy and safe.

Lauren Swett, P.E., M.ASCE                       Aaron Frits, P.E., M.ASCE
ASCE Leader Training Committee               ASCE Leader Training Committee
New Face finds passion for water resources, community building

February 22, 2021

Timothy Alston isn’t one of those civil engineers who started dreaming of a career in civil engineering from an early age.

As a kid, he was more into animals, nature.

“I was always fascinated and intrigued by the wonders of the natural world,” said Alston, who grew up a creative, inquisitive only child in Germantown, Maryland. “As a child, I would read all types of books about animals, their ecosystems, and the role that people have played in both the preservation and the destruction of our planet’s precious resources.”

But part of that love for nature manifested itself as a passion for water. And it wasn’t long before that interest in water led to a bachelor’s degree in environmental science from Claflin University – a historically Black university in Orangeburg, South Carolina – and a master’s degree in environmental engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

After two years as an environmental consultant for CDM Smith in Chicago, Alston now works as a plant engineer for the Gary (Indiana) Sanitary District. Invested in giving back to the community and inspiring others, he is an active member of ASCE, the National Society of Black Engineers, and the Water Environmental Federation. For ASCE, he serves as a committee member for MOSAIC (Members of Society Advancing an Inclusive Culture) and is the professional mentorship and student outreach chair for the Illinois Section.

ASCE has honored Alston, A.M.ASCE, as a 2021 New Face of Civil Engineering.
He spoke recently with Civil Engineering Source about his career.

**Civil Engineering Source: What led to your decision to attend Claflin University?**

**Timothy Alston:** When I was applying to schools, I kind of wanted to get away from the nest, experience life outside of Maryland.

But I think it was my first semester of my senior year in high school when my counselor, who was a family friend of ours, talked to me about looking at Claflin, which he called a “hidden gem of the South.” My family had a tradition of attending HBCUs, so I was already familiar with their historical significance, and how they foster the success and achievements of Black students, as well as creating a support system not just financially, but academically that is usually harder for disenfranchised students to find at larger and predominantly white institutions.

But for me, I grew up in a diverse community, surrounded by people of all racial and ethnic backgrounds. So at the time, I couldn’t imagine thriving in a space that seemed homogenous on its surface. But my counselor pulled me aside and said, “It’s not just about race. It’s about opportunity.” And he told me about Claflin in Orangeburg, South Carolina – a small, liberal arts HBCU. He said they have an impressive campus, a strong family environment, and a robust STEM program. I applied, I got in, and I was selected as a Presidential Scholar, which awarded me a full ride.

**Source: How do you think attending an HBCU influenced your career?**

**Alston:** It was an amazing experience. The difference in going to a small university is that it’s more family oriented. And with an HBCU, you have a lot of professors, who look like you, they want you to succeed, they check in on you. Looking back, it helped keep me on track, and I definitely appreciated those relationships I was able to forge with my professors.

For an example, I had an environmental science professor, Dr. Johnson. He saw my potential, knew that I was passionate about environmental science and engineering, and even though I wasn’t in the engineering curriculum, he would give me articles or publications on engineering. I was doing my own readings on the side, learning more about the discipline and how broad and fascinating it was.

He actually took me on an internship with him to the Department of Energy’s Brookhaven National Laboratory in New York my sophomore summer, where I was able to work with him on bioremediation research. We looked at how environmentally friendly materials, such as garlic extract, could be used to improve the bioremediation capabilities of aquatic bacteria that were able to break down carcinogenic metals, such as chromium. That experience really got me engaged in research and environmental engineering principles.

I feel like going to Claflin really helped expose me to a lot of opportunities that I might not have had if I had gone to a larger university, where I’m fighting over hundreds of other students who want the same opportunities as me. It allowed me to stand out and make an impact.

**Source: After seven years of school, you could have gone the Ph.D. route. Are you happy that you’re in the field now and applying all these things in real life?**
Alston: Yeah, I’m definitely happy that I chose to go into industry. After grad school I accepted a job with CDM Smith. I was able to work with the environmental team there, and we did a lot of groundwater sampling and remedial investigative projects. I helped lead different groundwater sampling teams looking for contamination at different sites around the country.

I definitely enjoyed working in that field, and it helped me to where I am now, where I’m working as a water utility process control engineer.

Source: I know you’re passionate about social reform and community outreach. How have you tried to combine those things with your civil engineering work?

Alston: I’ve always had a passion for mentoring and outreach.

Fast-forward to now being in Chicago. I didn’t know much about Chicago other than what I heard on the news, which was always negative. The first thing you think about Chicago, if you’re not from here, is gang violence, shootings, people getting killed. I didn’t know how big, diverse, and beautiful the city was until I actually lived here. But then again if you’re a professional, you might be blind to the struggles and the systemic racism that plagues the city historically.

I decided that I wanted Chicago to be a place where I laid down roots, so I wanted to get involved in the community. That propelled me to join professional organizations – whether it was NSBE or ASCE – and I’ve been able to get really involved with those organizations primarily in terms of outreach and mentoring.

For example, with NSBE right now we have a program called 500 by 2025, where we want to graduate 500 Black undergraduate students from Northwestern, IIT, UIC, and University of Illinois. We provide these 500 students with a scholarship, and they also get a mentor who helps them along their journey – whether it’s professional or academic advice, resources, a sounding board, or connections.

I’m a mentor to a student here at my alma mater, who’s a junior. And it’s been great. I’m able to talk to him, help with his resume, give him resources on how to potentially navigate that environment. When you feel like you’re isolated, especially during COVID-19 when social interactions are restricted, it’s kind of nice to talk with somebody who’s in the field so they can give you that knowledge outside-in.
I could keep going on and on. I'm really passionate about mentorship and outreach because I had that foundation growing up, while a lot of people that look like me don't necessarily have that – especially living in a big city where school systems are not that great. I feel that it's my duty, and I want to be there to do what I can.

Read more about the 2021 New Faces of Civil Engineering.
AGENDA ITEM #7 – INSTITUTE/GROUP REPORTS

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
Younger Member Group (YMG)
Group Report for IL Section Board Meeting
March 1st, 2021

Past Events (Feb & Mar 2021)

Feb Board Meeting
Date: 02/03/21

March Board Meeting
Date: 03/03/21

Future City Competition
Date: 2/27
YMG funded a special award

Resiliency and Emergency Response
Date: 3/3/21, 12:00pm

Game night with Student Chapters of Universities
Date: March

Future Events (April 2021)

April Board Meeting
Date: TBD

Great Lakes Virtual Conference
Date: 4/11, 7:00pm
YMG Panel discussion - life after college, careers (different career paths in Civil Engineering), and
staying involved in ASCE after college.

Wells-Wentworth Connector (CDOT)
Date: 4/19 – 4/23 Possible Field visit and virtual!

Respectfully Submitted,
Ben Ostermann, P.E.
Chair, IL-ASCE YMG
Dear Board members:

IS-CI Reports the following activities for the last month.

We have currently planned to have a virtual presentation for noon on March 16, 2021 regarding changes in construction during the Covid 19 pandemic. Currently a Horizontal Contractor PM, a Consulting Engineer, A General Counsel for a vertical contractor and an attorney that represents contractors have each committed to speak.

We have our next IL CI Board meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 3, 2021 and anticipate formalizing a brochure at that time.

Respectfully Submitted:

//Justin Weisberg
Justin Weisberg, P.E.
Chair IS-ASCE Construction Institute
Environmental & Water Resources Institute
Activity Report
March 2021

Last Month’s Activities:

Executive Committee Meeting
Host: EWRI Chicago Chapter Board
Date & Time: February 9, 2021, 4:00 PM
Place: via conference call

EWRI Technical Workshop Series – Second Session
Topic: Smart City, Smart Water, Smart Investment?
Date & Time: February 24, 2021, 12:00-1:30
Place: Zoom Online Webinar

This Month’s Activities:

Executive Committee Meeting
Host: EWRI Chicago Chapter Board
Date & Time: March 9, 2021, 4:00 PM
Place: via conference call
RSVP: Paige Adams (PAdams@baxterwoodman.com)

EWRI Technical Workshop Series – Third Session
Topic: Smart City, Smart Water, Smart Investment?
Date & Time: March 30, 2021, 12:00-1:30
Place: Zoom Online Webinar
RSVP: signup info coming soon

These presenters will speak about a range of issues connected to the “smart” or “digital water” topic, including key drivers and incentives, project analyses and justifications, available field technology, data management platforms and digital twins, project management strategies, outreach, and more.

Future Activities:

Executive Committee Meeting
Host: EWRI Chicago Chapter Board
Date & Time: April 13, 2021, 4:00 PM
Place: via conference call
RSVP: Paige Adams (PAdams@baxterwoodman.com)
Geo-Institute (GI) Illinois Chapter Activity Report

For IL Section Board Meeting on March 1st, 2021

Past Activities

Geo-Institute Chicago Chapter Board Meeting
Date: Thursday, February 4th, 2021
Time: 6:00pm – 7:00pm
Location: Online via Zoom

GI-IL February Meeting
Topic: Bio-Inspiration for Load Transfer and Soil Penetration Processes
Speaker: Prof. Alejandro Martinez, University of California Davis
Date: Wednesday, February 10th, 2021
Time: 11:00am – 12:00pm
Location: Online via Zoom
Notes: Recording available on YouTube

Future Activities

GI-IL March Meeting
Topic: Horizontal Directional Drilling in Landslide Remediation
Speaker: Jason Buenker, Shannon & Wilson, Inc.
Date: Tuesday, March 9th, 2021
Time: 5:30pm – 7:00pm
Location: Online via Zoom
Notes: See attached flyer for additional details, including the registration link

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Hambleton

Chair, GI Illinois Chapter
Louis Berger Junior Professor
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Horizontal Directional Drilling in Landslide Remediation

Abstract: In the spring of 2013, the City of Los Angeles installed twenty 600-foot dewatering drains using horizontal directional drilling (HDD) in the eastern flank of White Point Landslide. The dewatering system served to stabilize exposed sections of coastal bluff between the landslide and the nearby residences of San Pedro, California. This project marked the first known use of HDD as a means of slope stabilization using dewatering construction. The presentation summarizes innovations required to adapt HDD to coastal landslide conditions. These field-tested innovations included beachfront containment of drilling fluid, landslide behavior monitoring during drilling, and drill location control on the slope face using microcoil wireline field surveys. The presenter and his co-workers believe that lessons learned at White Point can be applied to numerous cases of slope instability found on the California coastline, giving HDD a future in landslide remediation.

About the Speaker: Jason Buenker joined Shannon & Wilson in 2010 following graduation from the University of Illinois. After three years in the Pacific Northwest, he transferred to Los Angeles to pursue large-diameter tunneling work and complex projects with seismic design challenges. After a second brush with academia, he graduated from UCLA in 2020. He then returned home to open a Chicago office for S&W.
Structural Engineering Institute (SEI) Illinois Chapter Activity Report

March 1st, 2021

Past Activities

SEI-IL February Committee Meeting
Date: Thursday, February 11th
Time: 12pm
Location: Zoom

SEI-IL Lecture Series Event Planning Meeting
Topic: Topic Discussion
Date: Wednesday, February 10th
Time: 12PM
Location: Zoom

SEI-IL Primary Article for ISASCE Spring 2021 Newsletter
Submitted: Monday, February 16th

SEI February Webinar Meeting
Topic: 3rd Avenue Bridge Rating and Deck Replacement
Date: February 24th
45 people in attendance
Time: 12PM – 1PM
Location: ASCE Zoom

SEI-IL Future Cities Participation
Date: Saturday, February 27th
Time: 12pm
Location: Zoom

Future Activities

SEI-IL March Committee Meeting
Date: Thursday, March 11th
Time: 12pm
Location: Zoom

SEI March Webinar Meeting
Topic: Student Thesis Research Spotlight
Date: TBD
Time: 12PM – 1PM
Location: ASCE Zoom

SEI Scholarship Review
Topic: Committee & Board to review applications
Date: TBD

Respectfully Submitted,

Irsilia Colletti, PE
Chair, SEI Illinois Chapter

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Transportation & Development Institute (T&DI) Activity Report
March 1, 2021

Future Activities

March Virtual Board Meeting
Date: March 10, 2021 5-6PM
Platform: Google Meet

March Virtual Happy Hour / Networking
Date: March 4, 2021
Topic: Networking & Trivia Night “How well do you know your client?”
Goal: Member networking, attract clients to attend
External Communications: Newsletter blast, LinkedIn Posts (public & private pages), Executive Board personal posts

March Virtual Luncheon
Date: March 31, 2021
Topic: Bill Mooney, CTA Chief Infrastructure Officer - The presentation will provide a look at the Chicago Transit Authority’s upcoming capital program and the infrastructure investment associated with it including the CTA’s $2.1 Billion Red Purple Modernization Project, which is the largest project in CTA’s history.
External Communications: Newsletter blast, LinkedIn Posts (public & private pages), Executive Board personal posts

Upcoming speakers – dates TBD
IDOT D1 – Jose Rios, Region 1 Engineer
CCDOTH – Sis Killen
Technical Presentation – Member + Client

Ongoing Activities
*Continued effort to focus on membership this year.

Newsletter Member Spotlight each month
Technical Presentation cohost with member & client
LinkedIn Posts / interaction with membership
AGENDA ITEM #8 – STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
Sustainability Committee
ACTIVITY REPORT
March 1, 2021

1. Envision Training
   a. Last committee meeting on Feb. 10
   b. Planning virtual Envision training in late spring or early fall 2021

2. See web page to join us.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kirsten Mawhinney
Sustainability Committee Chair
Student Outreach Committee – March 2021 Report

Old Business

• E-Week celebrations
  o Future City Volunteering
  o New Face of ASCE, Tim Alston

Current Business

• 2021 Spring Semester
  o Mentorship Pairs
  o Scholarships + Institute Night Series
    ▪ Updates from Tom Janicke
  o Spring Resume Book
    ▪ Due Date March 15 (same as scholarships)
  o Working together with YMG
    ▪ Host virtual Game Night with university students
  o Virtual Student Outreach with Meadow Glen Elementary

Upcoming Events

• Upcoming Outreach Committee Meeting: Thursday, March 4 @ 12:30. If you would like to join, please email me at Grovet@cdmsmith.com

Respectfully Submitted,

Taylor Grove
Student Outreach Committee
IS-ASCE – President-Elect / Spring Dinner Report
Prepared for the March 2021 IS-ASCE Board Meeting
March 1, 2021 – 4:00pm

Past & Current Activity Update (January/February 2021):

President-Elect / Student Scholarship Virtual Media Recognition Event (aka ‘Spring Dinner’)

1. Schedule
   a. 1st IS-ASCE Student Scholarships kick-off discussion meeting held via MS Teams.
      i. Thursday 12/17/2020 @ 4:00pm (Janicke, Grove, Salvatera & Walton).
      ii. Discussed various items including schedule for scholarship application, selection process, virtual media recognition ideas, ‘Order of the Engineer’ ceremony, and engaging ASCE leadership.
   b. Virtual Media format phone discussion w/ Kris Salvatera on Wednesday 1/27/2021.
      i. Discussed suggested video format and length of video production, including general script/outline, inclusion of presentation slides, flow of video, and general time frame for each item.
   c. 2nd IS-ASCE Student Scholarships discussion meeting via MS Teams.
      i. Thursday 2/4/2021 @ 3:00pm (Janicke, Grove, Salvatera & Walton).
      ii. Discussed use of BookCreator® platform used by Pittsburgh Section for Life Member Recognition program.
          https://read.bookcreator.com/QMw5Tk02H8hYg67tJuMn7byLSxu2/J4150fLQSnmW6JQ3Nq2o3w
    iii. Correspondence w/ ASCE Pittsburgh Section for input on use of BookCreator®.
          1. Jonathan Shimo – Pittsburgh Section President
          2. Alma Rettinger – Life Member Recognition Program developer
   d. Scholarship application form and schedule being led by Scholarship Chair Janicke.
   e. Target of mid-April (4/15/2021) for release of virtual media recognition.

2. Virtual Media Recognition – Proposed Format (E-Book)
   a. Discussed use of BookCreator® software for E-Book Format (Salvatera).
   b. Video Segments
      i. 2021 IS-ASCE President-Elect – Andrew Walton
          1. Opening Address and Introduction of 2021 ASCE President-Elect Dennis Truax
          2. Use of Video One Productions for only this one (1) video production segment and for video editing services.
      ii. 2021 ASCE President-Elect (2022 ASCE President) – Dennis D. Truax
          1. Address to the Illinois Section and objectives for term as President.
      iii. 2021 IS-ASCE President-Elect – Institute Chairs
          1. Student Scholarship Awards Acknowledgement/presentations.
          iv. Student Scholarship Award Recipients
             1. Photo displayed during award recipient acknowledgement followed by short (~30 sec.) acceptance video.

3. Budget
   a. Discussed motion for a not-to-exceed amount. Not required since expenses and revenues ($8,000 in revenue and expenses budgeted) were included in the FY2021 IS-ASCE budget for the President-Elect Dinner.
IS-ASCE – President-Elect / Spring Dinner Report (Continued)
Prepared for the March 2021 IS-ASCE Board Meeting
March 1, 2021 – 4:00pm

Future Activity & Action Items (March/April 2021):

President-Elect / Student Scholarship Virtual Media Recognition Event (aka ‘Spring Dinner’)

1. Schedule
      i. Review dates for scholarship collection, selection of winners, and notification dates.
   ii. Discuss pre-final itinerary for virtual media recognition event.
   iii. Discuss development of proposal & budget for Video One Productions services.

2. Virtual Media Recognition – Proposed Format (E-Book)
   a. Further develop BookCreator® E-Book to prepare for the various video segments.
   b. Send ASCE Leadership invitation request form and letter to engage in virtual media recognition.
      i. 2021 ASCE President-Elect (2022 President) Dennis D. Truax, Ph.D., P.E., DEE, D.WRE, F.NSPE, F.ASCE
      ii. Completed ASCE Invitation Request Form and letter to be sent by Friday 3/5/2021.

3. Other Items
   a. Discuss any open items or questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew Walton, PE
IS-ASCE President-Elect, 2020-2021
Western Society of Engineers – Virtual Washington Award
Presented by Christopher B. Burke, WSE Chair
February 25, 2021 – 6:30pm CST

Virtual Washington Award Event
*This event was hosted via Zoom and was recorded. Event concluded at 7:15pm CST.*

1. Introduction & Student Competitions
   a. Recognized all 2020 Washington Award Sponsors – no additional sponsorship funds were solicited for this virtual event.
   b. Recognized participating organizations, including ASCE Illinois Section.

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   ![American Society of Mechanical Engineers](https://example.com/asme.png)
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   ![National Society of Professional Engineers](https://example.com/nspe.png)

   ![Claude H. Hurley * Monte Chen](https://example.com/claude.png)

   c. Showed a few pre-recorded videos from participating competitions.
      i. AAAEA Essay/Poster Contest.
      ii. FIRST Robotics
      iii. Future Cities – Don Wittmer video noting the competition was the upcoming weekend on 2/27/2021.

2. Washington Award Recipient Presentation
   a. Dr. John Goodenough – 2021 Washington Award Winner video message

   ![Congratulations 2021 Washington Award Winner](https://example.com/goodenough.png)

3. See attached 2021 Washington Award Program.
WASHINGTON AWARDS
VIRTUAL EVENT

HONORING
DR. JOHN GOODENOUGH

THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 25TH, 2021
# Previous Washington Award Recipients

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2020 Contest Winners

Essay/Poster Judges
Dr. Soliman Khudeira, PE, SE; CDOT, AAAEA-IL Trustee
Jamal Grainawi, PE, SE, WSP, AAAEA-IL Trustee

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Reem Abdulh, IDOT, AAAEA-IL Executive Board, Career Enhancement Committee
Dr. Hiba Abdalla, PE, ES, Parsons, AAAEA-IL Executive Board, Vice President

The Essay/Poster Contest is sponsored by AAAEA-IL and is open to all students in the 3rd through 8th grades in the Chicagoland area schools. Students submit an essay and a poster about an engineer that they admire or have made an impact on their life. The essay should explain who the engineer is and why the student admires this engineer. The poster should depict some history about the engineer and the engineer’s accomplishments. The purpose of the contest is to motivate students to consider careers in engineering by fostering interest in engineering through research, essay writing, presentation, and interaction with engineers. To learn more about our association, E-Week Committee, Essay/Poster Contest, and our School Outreach Program, please visit our website at www.aaaea.org/IL.
FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) was founded by inventor Dean Kamen to inspire an appreciation of science and technology in young people. The organization designs accessible, innovative programs to build self-confidence, knowledge and life skills while motivating young people to pursue opportunities in science, technology, engineering and math.

The FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) combines the excitement of sport with science and technology to create a unique varsity sport for the mind. FRC helps high school students discover the rewarding and engaging process of innovation and engineering.

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The FIRST LEGO League (FLL) asks kids, 9 to 14, to face real-world engineering challenges, discover career possibilities and learn to make positive contributions to society. Teams are guided by their imaginations and adult mentors.
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www.isasce.org

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**The Arab American Association of Engineers and Architects (AAAEA-IL)**

AAAEA-IL is a non-profit, non-political, non-religious professional organization founded in 1996. It is open to all architects, engineers and computer science professionals and students of Arab heritage residing in the USA. AAAEA is dedicated to helping its members succeed and advance in their professions by networking and interacting among each others through technical, educational, and social activities and events. The association regularly offers academic review courses; technical seminars and conferences, awards scholarships annually and promotes cooperation and mutual assistance among the members and other professional organizations. Through networking and interaction with other professional and business organizations, the AAAEA helps and encourages establishing sister organizations in other states. AAAEA web site is located at www.aaaea.org

**Associated Steel Erectors (ASE)**

The Associated Steel Erectors is a not-for-profit organization representing union erectors who provide structural and reinforcing steel construction services in the greater Chicagoland area.

- Structural Steel Erection
- Precast Concrete Erection
- Reinforcing Steel Installation
- Metal Buildings
- Post Tensioning
- Bar Joists - Metal Decking

www.associatedsteelerectors.org

**Illinois Concrete Pipe Association (ICPA)**

Formed in 1951, the Illinois Concrete Pipe Association is a non-profit trade association composed of concrete pipe producers (and affiliated companies) serving the Illinois sewer and culvert market. For more than 60 years, the association has served as the single voice for the concrete pipe industry in Illinois. The mission of the Illinois Concrete Pipe Association is to:

- Promote the use of quality concrete pipe in a manner that is technically sound and environmentally safe;
- Provide assistance to members in the areas of research, product specifications, technical services, education, promotion, government relations; and
- Educate potential customers and specifiers of the characteristics and benefits of concrete pipe.

www.il-concretepipe.org

**The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)**

IEEE is the world’s largest professional association advancing technology for the benefit of humanity. We publish technical journals, sponsor conferences, develop technology standards, and support the professional interests of more than 405,000 members. IEEE creates an environment where members collaborate on world-changing technologies – from computing and sustainable energy systems, to aerospace, communications, robotics and healthcare – to engineer a better tomorrow. www.ieeechicago.org

**Illinois Road & Transportation Builders Association (IRTBA)**

The Illinois Road & Transportation Builders Association (IRTBA) was formed in 1938 to promote the transportation needs of the state and is now the largest statewide organization of companies designing, building and maintaining the state highways, transit systems, railways and aviation systems. The core purpose of IRTBA is to advance and promote the transportation design and construction industry in Illinois. Our success is shared equally by all contractors and designers, regardless of their specialty. www.irtba.org

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The Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), an international individual member educational and scientific association, is one of the largest and fastest-growing multimodal professional transportation organizations in the world. The purpose of the Illinois Section of ITE is to encourage and promote student involvement, provide professional development opportunities, consider local transportation and traffic engineering points of view, and provide information on the role of the transportation profession in society. www.ilite.org

Illinois Society of Professional Engineers (ISPE)
The ISPE, established in 1886 and headquartered in Springfield, Illinois, is a professional association representing the interests of over 3,000 engineers from all fields of practice. The primary objective of the Society is to advance and promote the public welfare by being active in the legislative process and in governmental affairs. www.illinoisengineer.com

Society of American Military Engineers, Chicago Post (SAME)
The Society of American Military Engineers provides a vital link between the military engineering profession, other arms of military service, and the civilian engineering and construction industries. Their common goal is to increase the engineer potential of the United States for security and strength of the nation. www.same-chicago.org

Society of Fire Protection Engineers, Chicago Chapter (SFPE)
Chicago fire protection engineers were a major force behind the formation of the International Society in 1950. Chicago members then pushed for the establishment of chapters within the Society, and Chicago became the first chapter in 1953. SFPE now has over 4,200 members in 66 regional and local chapters, and 15 student chapters worldwide. The objective of the chapter is to promote the art and science of fire protection engineering and its allied fields, to maintain a high professional standard among its members, and to foster fire protection engineering education.

Western Society of Engineers (WSE)
The Western Society of Engineers is a Midwest Multi-Discipline Engineering Society servicing the profession since 1869. Our mission is to actively encourage the development of engineering leaders and promote engineering excellence and innovation, educate the general public regarding the practice of engineering and recognize the achievements of member engineers. www.thewashingtonaward.com
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Diversity and Inclusion Committee

ACTIVITY REPORT

March 01, 2021

Committee Activities:

- Notre Dame IEP Scholarship:
  1. Application has been published. Applications due March 03, 2021.
  2. Will need volunteers to help review scholarships once applications are received so please

- Top Golf Fundraising Event
  2. Will reach out to Top Golf in April/May.

Submitted By: Nihar Shah
Membership Committee Report
March 1, 2021

- Membership Database
  - Total IS-ASCE Database: 3,063
  - Current IS-ASCE Membership: 2,730
    - 1,146 Life Members/Student Members
    - 1,584 Members w/ Dues (1,291 have paid 2021 Society Dues)
    - 61 New Members

- Initiatives
  - Local Membership Champions
    - Developing initial list of Local Membership Champions
    - Call for volunteers in Spring Newsletter article
  - Student Member Transition
    - White paper reviewed by Student Outreach Committee, to be presented at March 2021 board meeting
● Miscellaneous
  ○ Awaiting At-Risk Membership List
    ▪ List of members who have not paid membership dues for 2019 (double arrears) and 2020 (single arrears)
    ▪ Members who have not renewed by March 31st will be dropped from database
    ▪ Upon receipt of list, e-blast to be drafted by Membership Committee and sent to board for review (anticipated late February/early March)

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Borges
IS-ASCE Membership Chair
Local Activities:

- State Legislative Day (Drive-Down)
  - Willing to support TFIC, ACEC, and/or APWA if they hold an event. We will not lead this year. No known plans at this time.
  - Suggest that members try to schedule local/virtual meetings with their legislators this year.
  - Will begin early planning for 2022 Legislative Day soon, as it will be used to release the Illinois report Card. Section will take a larger role in planning than in recent past.

- Work on the 2022 Report Card has begun. Government Relations Committee is working closely with the Report Card Committee.

- Will host GR/PR University seminar(s) in early 2022 prior to IL Report Card release (pending schedule). Society is aware, more coordination to follow.

- Held a second meeting with Congresswoman Marie Newman’s her staff on 2/16. I will continue to follow up with them as she is a key member of the Transportation & Infrastructure Committee.

Society Government Relations:

- 2021 Report Card will be released 3/3/2021
  - Sign up for release event here: [https://2021ircsummit.rsqify.com](https://2021ircsummit.rsqify.com)
  - Plan to promote report card on social media after release.

- Virtual Fly-In is March 3-5
  - Meetings set with all relevant MOCs.

- Key Contacts receive weekly newsletter and requests to send emails to Members of Congress on key issues and legislation

- February Key Contact Webinar: Failure to Act Report, 2/3- thanks to those that attended!

- March Key Contact Webinar: Fly-In Events

TFIC:

- Impact of license renewal deferrals on Rebuild Illinois remains unknown. TFIC continues to reach out to the Secretary of State’s office.

- Governor’s budget proposal:
  - The proposed budget assumes delaying by 1 year the first phase of shifting the sales tax on motor fuel into the Road Fund. This is estimated to save GRF (at the expense of the Road Fund) $72 million.
  - As the Governor proposed last year, they are asking to take an additional $100 million in Road Funds to offset the GRF payment into Public Transportation Fund.
  - The Governor is also proposing to prorate the transit payments by 90%, this will increase GRF by $52 million at the expense of the transit agencies.
  - The proposed budget estimates $2.555 billion in GO Bond Sales in FY 22.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matt Kirby, PE, MLE, M.ASCE
IS-ASCE Government Relations Chair
Newsletter Committee Report
March 1, 2021

Newsletter Updates

- All articles for the Spring Newsletter have been received and were provided to Sarah on Saturday, 2/27. The Spring Newsletter is expected to be published soon.

- The schedule and guidelines for submitting newsletter articles are included below for reference.

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- Articles should be double spaced, 11-point Times New Roman font.
- All articles should include a biographical sentence about the author(s) and three “bullet points” of the article’s main points (to be used as grabber text)
- Articles should be industry-related, not company-related.
- Primary articles should be 2-3 typed pages, secondary articles and other articles should be 1-1.5 pages

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Bell
Newsletter Committee Chair
Hyatt Regency – Review of Contract Status for 2021

- The date of Thursday, October 14, 2021 is still under contract between Hyatt & ISASCE
- A total of $10,000 in deposit was paid in 2020, which was rolled over to 2021. The deposit payment schedule was/is as follows:
  - January - $5000 (paid - rolled over from 2020)
  - March - $5000 (paid - rolled over from 2020)
  - May - $10,000 (was deferred to June in 2020 and then suspended due to COVID)
  - July - $10,000
  - September – Balance (total venue estimate for 450 was about $80,000 in 2020)

Other 2021 Dinner Review, Updates / Tasks in Progress

- The dinner is week following the planned Society convention (October 6th-9th). There is no planned interaction between the events.
- Brittany Bekas (photographer) moved out of state and has refunded our $400 deposit for 2020. She recommended her associate Nicole Morisco to take over. Committee will follow up on this (if rates are similar, we will go with her).
- Save the Dates
- Look into Emcee options
- Kickoff meeting with Awards Committee
- Sponsorship goals and delegation of responsibilities
- Continue coordination with venue and other vendors (Audio/Visual, etc.) as needed

2021 Annual Dinner COVID19 Plan

- We propose that the June 7th ISASCE Board Meeting be a hard deadline to determine if the 2021 Annual Dinner will be able to be held at the Hyatt.
  - By 6/7/2021, if there’s still significant doubt that an in-person event at the Hyatt will be practical, we would propose to do another pre-recorded awards program similar to what was done in 2020.
  - Due to the positive relationship and flexibility thus far, we would also propose to hold a 2022 in-person event at the Hyatt if not in 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Janicke, Jeana Gowin, Monica Crinion
2021 IS-ASCE Annual Dinner Committee