VIA MS TEAMS VIDEO CONFERENCE DUE TO COVID-19 RESPONSE

1) Call to Order
   President Pawula called the meeting to order at 4:03pm.
   a) Roll Call
      i) Secretary Huffman called roll. A quorum was present with 17 of 18 board members present. See below list of attendees.
   b) Recognition of Guests
      i) No physical guests present as the meeting was video conference only. See below list of attendees.

IS Board Members
Ph Brian Pawula, President
Ph Megan McDonald, Past President
Ph Andrew Walton, President-Elect
Ph Sandra Homola, Treasurer
Ph Matt Huffman, Secretary
Ph Megan Elberts, Director to 2021
Ph Tom Janicke, Director to 2021
Ph Anne Marie Jensen, Director to 2021
Ph Jeana Gowin, Director to 2022
Ph Zach Pucel, Director to 2022
Ph Nihar Shah, Director to 2022
Ph Justin Weisberg, Construction Institute Chair (CI)
Ph Steve Randolph, Environmental & Water Resources Institute Chair (EWRI)
Ph James P. Hambleton, Geo-Institute Chair (GI)
Ph Irsilia Colletti, Structural Engineering Institute Chair (SEI)
Ph Colleen Miller, Transportation & Development Institute Chair (T&DI)
Ph Pamela Whitfield, Urban Planning & Development Chair (UP&D)
Ph Ben Ostermann, Younger Member Group Chair (YMG)

Committee Chairs/Additional Attendees & Guests
Ph Tom Borges, Membership Committee Chair
Ph Taylor Grove, Student Outreach Chair
E Kirsten Mawhinney, Sustainability Committee Chair
Ph Liz Jensen, Engineers Without Borders (EWB) Chair
E Katie Bell, Communications & Website Committee Chair
A Ken Gomez, Social Media Committee Chair
Ph Matt Kirby, Government Relations Chair
A Tim Scully-Granzeier, Social Media Committee Chair
A Don Wittmer, Engineer’s Week Committee Chair
A Tim Alston, Mentorship Committee Chair
E Path Lach, Report Card Committee Chair
Ph John Lazzara, Region 3 Governor
E Robert Brzezon, Government Relations Committee Member; D&I Fundraising Committee Member
Ph Monica Crinion, ASCE Member
Ph Jennifer Morrison, TFIC
Ph Viktoriya Vladimirova, IIT
Ph Jared Knaub, IIT

Attendance Key:
P - Present, Ph – Phone/Electronic, E - Excused, A – Absent
2) Acceptance of Minutes
   a) The revised minutes from the January 4, 2021 Board of Directors meeting were approved as written. President Elect Walton motioned to approve with a second from Treasurer Homola. **Motion passed with 17 – aye and 0 - no.**

3) Treasurer’s Report
   a) The February 1, 2021 Treasurer’s report was presented by Treasurer Homola. (See attachments)
   b) Various other action items were discussed as noted on the attached Treasurer’s Report, specifically:
      i) Fees from 123signup were received for the IS Holiday Gathering. The IS was charged $1/person for use of the 123signup site even though there was no registration fee for the event.
      ii) The Society allotment from our membership dues was down from prior years. Treasurer Homola will provide the membership data provided to Membership Chair Borges to assess how those numbers compare with our membership database information.
      iii) The Village of Niles sent their membership dues to the IS. The IS cashed their check and issued a new check to ASCE HQ Village along with supporting paperwork.
      iv) The $3,000 payment for the ACEC Student Outreach Initiative was sent out the last week of January.
   c) Director Gowin motioned to approve the treasurer’s report with a second from President Elect Walton. **Motion passed with 17 – aye and 0 - no.**

4) New Business – Guests
   a) IIT Student Chapter – Viktoria Vladimirova & Jared Knaub
      i) A PowerPoint presentation was made by the IIT Student Chapter (See attachments)
      ii) New laboratory on campus is currently under construction and will greatly assist them with the canoe construction.
      iii) The IIT Student Chapter will use the IS sponsorship money for competitions, steel bridge, GLSC participation, WSC conferences, and supply costs for their new student chapter room.
      iv) In accordance with the FY 21 budget, the IS will grant the ASCE IIT Student Chapter $2,000. No vote was taken. IIT will confirm the address the payment will be sent to.
   b) Transportation for Illinois Coalition (TFIC) — Jennifer Morrison
      i) TFIC Managing Director, Jennifer Morrison, made a presentation on behalf of TFIC.
      ii) A quick summary was provided about TFIC ([http://www.tficillinois.org/](http://www.tficillinois.org/)). The organization was formed in 2003 after Senator Durbin recommended to have a unified voice from the State regarding transportation infrastructure. TFIC is composed of statewide and regional business, organized labor, industry, governmental and not-for-profit organizations. The heads of the IL Chamber of Commerce and IL Labor co-chair TFIC. The objective is to seek state and federal funding to adequately fund transportation infrastructure.
      iii) TFIC achieved great success with the most recent Re-Build Illinois Capital Program. TFIC mentioned the importance of the ASCE IL Section Infrastructure Report Card to help demonstrate the need. President Pawula mentioned that the updated report card will be released in Spring 2022.
      iv) TFIC is currently working on tracking Re-Build Illinois revenues. Currently revenues are down 12 to 14 percent. One of the key areas of loss of revenue is the motor vehicle registration and deferment of payment. Effort is being put into evaluating funding mechanisms to identify more sustainable funding sources than the current motor fuel tax.
5) Old Business

a) Partnership with ACEC (Student Outreach Initiative) – Brian Pawula / Taylor Grove
   i) More effort is required than anticipated to produce the video and its anticipated release is Spring 2021. Other outreach will occur during E-Week in February.

b) Convention – Megan McDonald
   i) The Local Convention Committee will be formally submitting technical and cultural tours to ASCE HQ Convention Committee for consideration. A draft form was provided by Local Convention Committee chair, Karen Kabbes. The forms are due to Karen by February 11th and a committee meeting will be held on February 12th to discuss the proposed tour ideas. Tour ideas should be provided to Past President McDonald by February 10th for consideration. Technical workshops are not desired by ASCE HQ. Ideas for virtual tours are also being sought.
   ii) ASCE HQ Convention Committee is interested in diversity and inclusion workshop or short course. The Local Committee would assist with coordinating with various area agencies to participate in the workshop.
   iii) A decision pertaining in-person or virtual convention will be made by mid-March.

c) Google Workspace for Nonprofits – Rob Brzezon
   i) Secretary Huffman stated that an update will be provided in March. If there are any questions with Google Workspace setup, please contact Rob Brzezon.

d) Bylaws – Brian Pawula / Megan McDonald
   i) Past President McDonald will convene the former Bylaws sub-committee in February.
   ii) President Elect Walton mentioned that institute guidelines could be utilized to assist with the By-Law update. New institute guidelines will be updated next year (5-year cycles). President Elect Walton will share this information with Past President McDonald.

e) Future City Competition – Anne Marie Jensen
   i) A summary report was provided (see attachments). The Future City Competition will be held virtually on February 27th.
   ii) Volunteers are still needed for regional judges, video presentation judges and general support (monitoring Zoom room).
   iii) Special Award sponsors are still being sought and forms are due by February 12th. A minimum of one judge (maximum of three judges) is needed for each special award. Special Awards judges should submit their anticipated questions by February 12th along with their special award form (see attachments). The questions will be provided in advance to the schools. Judging will start between 8:30 and 9:00 am and could end around noon. The schedule is still being determined.
   iv) The IS is sponsoring three special awards. Director Gowin, Region 3 Director Lazzara, and Past President McDonald volunteered to judge on behalf of the IS.

f) Local Membership Champion Initiative – Tom Borges
   i) A list of potential local champions is being compiled.

g) Scholarships – Tom Janicke
   i) A summary report was provided (see attachments). The first of four scholarship presentations was made on January 27 and three students attended. The next three will be on 2/4, 2/11, and 2/18. An open panel of GI & EWRI engineers was set up for the first meeting and was a success.
   ii) To advertise the scholarship info sessions, an email was sent by Sarah to all student members within the IS. Emails were also sent to the student chapter presidents of UIC, IIT, and NU. Additional outreach will occur prior to the upcoming scholarship info sessions.
   iii) Thirteen scholarships will be made available totaling $17,500.
6) New Business
   a) Student Conference Realignment – Brian Pawula
      i) ASCE HQ is re-aligning the student conferences by March 2021 (See attachment). Region 3 Director Lazzara region 3 will go from four conferences to two conferences.
   b) Report Card Advertisement by Institutes – Brian Pawula
      i) President Pawula requested that all institutes/groups advertise the solicitation for report card update sub-committee volunteers. The T&D did this following their January webinar and spurred several volunteers. This outreach should occur over the next four to six weeks.
   c) COVID Update from Society – Brian Pawula
      i) ASCE HQ strongly urges Sections and Branches to continue all virtual events June 30th. (See attachment)
   d) OCEA Awards and OPAL Awards – Megan McDonald
      i) An Outstanding Civil Engineer Achievement (OCEA) award was given to Northwestern University for the recently constructed coastal wall along Lake Michigan. (See attachment)
      ii) Northwestern Civil Engineering professor Raymond Krizek received an Outstanding Projects and leaders (OPAL) award in education.
      iii) The IS is looking to acknowledge the current and past ASCE National award winners.
   e) Legends Program – Brian Pawula
      i) An ASCE LEGENDS program was held on January 27th with Frank Avila. (See attachment)
      ii) An upcoming schedule has been set for Spring 2021 with several other LEGENDS programs. The IS will continue to support and advertise the events.
   f) Joint Legislative Event with ACEC – Brian Pawula
      i) A joint event, A Bi-Partisan Legislative Look-Ahead, was held with ACEC on January 29th. President Elect Walton attended the event on behalf of the IS. There were about 150 attendees. (See attachment)

7) Institute/Group Reports
   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) Urban Planning & Development Group (UP&D) – Report submitted. (See attachment)
   b) Younger Member Group (YMG) – Report submitted. (See attachment)
      i) President Pawula requested to keep him updated with E-Week event activities.
   c) Construction Institute (CI) – Report submitted. (See attachment)
   d) Environmental & Water Resources Institute (EWRI) – Report submitted. (See attachment)
   e) Geo-Institute (G-I) – Report submitted. (See attachment)
      i) G-I Chair Hambleton brought a new business item to the IS Board for discussion. G-I Chair Hambleton is a professor at Northwestern University and is supporting a National Science Foundation (NSF) proposal being submitted by Dr. Suzan van der Lee entitled “Collaborative Research: HDR DSC: The Metropolitan Chicago Data Science Corps (MCDC): Learning from Data to Support Communities.” It was requested that the ASCE IL Section consider committing to join the MCDC if the NSF grant is funded. (https://sites.northwestern.edu/mcdc/)
   ii) The MCDC is a group of data science students and experts from five Chicago-area universities available to non-profit or community organizations in the larger Chicago area. The MCDC mobilizes small task forces to work with a group/organization to tackle data challenges of the moment. Their goal is to help transform data into actionable knowledge.
and at the same time implement cross-disciplinary training/mentoring and opportunities for diverse students to acquire broad and transferable analytical skills.

iii) If IS ASCE commits to joint he MCDC, Jim Hambleton will be the liaison between MCDC and ASCE IS. The MCDC would be funded by the NSF grant for 3 to 5 years if received. If the NSF grant is not funded, ASCE IS would not join the MCDC.

iv) A commitment will be needed by February 5th, 2021 for the NSF grant proposal.

v) There was discussion amongst the board (pro and con) about IS ASCE joining the MCDC. If was discussed that if IS ASCE commits to joining the MCDC, subsequent board action would be needed to make specific proposals for engagement of the MCDC.

vi) Past President McDonald motioned to commit IS ASCE to joining the MCDC as a community partner organization if funded by the NSF grant with Jim Hambleton as the IS ASCE/MCDC liaison with a second from President Elect Walton. Motion passed with 17 – aye and 0 - no.

f) Structural Engineering Institute (SEI) – Report submitted. (See attachment)

g) Transportation & Development Institute (T&D) – Report submitted. (See attachment)

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) Annual Dinner (Tom Janicke) – No report submitted.

b) Awards (Anne Marie Jensen) – Report submitted. (See attachments)
   i) Director Jensen urged the IS Board to have their companies help advertise/promote the 2020 IS Awards via social media and/or send out an internal company e-blast.
   ii) CDOT posted their award to their social media account but did not advertise all the 2020 IS awards. President Pawula said we did not need to pursue any further with CDOT.

1) Sustainability (Kirsten Mawhinney) – No report submitted.

d) Student Outreach (Taylor Grove) – Report submitted. (See attachments)

e) Spring Dinner(Andrew Walton) – Report submitted. (See attachments)
   i) Treasurer Homola confirmed there is an $8,000 expense and $8,000 in revenue in the budget for the Spring Dinner. With the event being virtual, there is an anticipated loss for this event.

f) Diversity & Inclusion (Nihar Shah) – Report submitted. (See attachments)
   i) Looking for volunteers to help judge IEP scholarships (February 2021).

1) Membership (Tom Borges) – Report submitted. (See attachments)

g) Government Relations (Matt Kirby) – Report submitted. (See attachments)

h) Transportation & Development Institute (T&DI) – Report submitted. (See attachment)

i) EWB (Liz Jensen) – Report submitted. (See attachments)

j) Communications & Website (Katie Bell) - Report submitted. (See attachments)

k) Report Card (pat Lach) – Report submitted. (See attachments)
   i) Sub-Committee volunteers are still being sought.

9) President Pawula entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 pm. A motion was made by President Elect Walton to adjourn the meeting with a second by Past President McDonald. Motion passed with 16 – aye and 0 - no.

The next meeting will be held at 4:00PM on Monday, March 1, 2021 via VIDEO CONFERENCE ONLY.
1) **Call to Order** – Brian Pawula  
   a) Roll Call – Matt Huffman  
   b) Recognition of Guests – Matt Huffman  

2) **Acceptance of Minutes** – Matt Huffman (January 4, 2021 Board Meeting)  

3) **Treasurer’s Report** – Sandra Homola  

4) **New Business – Guests**  
   a) IIT Student Chapter – Viktoryia Vladimirova & Jared Knaub  
   b) Transportation for Illinois Coalition (TFIC) – Jennifer Morrison  

5) **Old Business**  
   a) Partnership with ACEC (Student Outreach Initiative) – Brian Pawula / Taylor Grove  
   b) Convention – Megan McDonald  
   c) Google Workspace for Nonprofits – Rob Brzezon  
   d) Bylaws – Brian Pawula / Megan McDonald  
   e) Future City Competition – Anne Marie Jensen  
   f) Local Membership Champion Initiative – Tom Borges  
   g) Scholarships – Tom Janicke  

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   e) Legends Program – Brian Pawula  
   f) Joint Legislative Event with ACEC – Brian Pawula  

7) **Institute/Group Reports**  
   a) UP&D Group  
   b) Younger Member Group  
   c) Construction Institute  
   d) EWRI  
   e) Geo-Institute  
   f) Structural Engineering Institute  
   g) T&DI  

8) **Standing Committee Reports**  
   a) Annual Dinner – Tom Janicke  
   b) Awards – Anne Marie Jensen  
   c) Sustainability – Kirsten Mawhinney  
   d) Student Outreach – Taylor Grove  
   e) Spring Dinner – Andrew Walton  
   f) Diversity & Inclusion – Nihar Shah  
   g) Membership – Tom Borges  
   h) Government Relations – Matt Kirby  
   i) EWB – Liz Jensen  
   j) Communications & Website – Katie Bell  
   k) Report Card – Pat Lach  

Next Meeting: Monday, March 1, 2021 @ 4:00PM via MS Teams
AGENDA ITEM #3 – TREASURER’S REPORT

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
TREASURER’S REPORT
February 1, 2021  (Page 1 of 3)

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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 $198,058.93.

**Checking Account Summary:**

For January 1, 2021 to January 31, 2021

**Savings Account Summary:**

For January 1, 2021 to January 31, 2021

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**Account summary**

Beginning balance on January 1, 2021: $138,931.17

- Deposits and other credits: $24,086.08
- Withdrawals and other debits: -$1,756.18
- Checks: -$0.00
- Service fees: -$0.00

Ending balance on January 31, 2021: $161,261.07

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**Account summary**

Beginning balance on January 1, 2021: $52,248.71

- Deposits and other credits: $2.22
- Withdrawals and other debits: -$0.00
- Service fees: -$0.00

Ending balance on January 31, 2021: $52,250.93

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Annual Percentage Yield Earned: this statement period: 0.05%
Interest Paid Year To Date: $2.22.
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Total Deposits - January 2021: $24,086.08
TREASURER’S REPORT
February 1, 2021

Past Action Items:

1. Work out dues payment from Village of Niles with National, Society dues accidentally paid to the Section.
2. Sponsorship Request from IL Tech

Known Future Action Items:

Respectfully Submitted,

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

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
Who are we

- 3rd year student w/ a focus in Structural Engineering
- ASCE- Fundraising Chair
- SEAOI- President
- CMAA- Treasure

- 4th Year B.S. Architectural Engineering/M.Eng Construction Engineering and Management
- ASCE- 2020 Fundraising Chair
- CRU Conference Coordinator
- Ski and Snowboarding Club President
How we are dealing with remote learning

- **Professional webinars**: All meetings are via Zoom and all members have their cameras on and interact with the professionals presenting.

- **Virtual Conferences**

- **Limit amount of people in lab**

- **Meet virtually with the executive board**: Every 2 weeks to make sure that everyone is on the same page.
Professional meetings with an invited speaker

Events/ Activities in 2020:

● ASCE Career Fair

● ASCE Region 3 in Detroit, Michigan (WSCL)

● Companies: Leidos, BTC, AECOM, AISC, SEAOI, Sean Hagen, Thornton Tomasetti, Collins, WSP, Walker Consultants

● GLSC Events
Upcoming Events

Events/ Activities in 2021:

- Bill Baker presentation 2/17
- Blinderman Presentation 3/3
- Jacobs 3/17
- WJE 3/24
- GLSC Meeting 4/7
Concrete Canoe
Concrete Canoe: Ragnar
2019 Great Lakes Student Conference
AISC Steel Bridge
Plan

We will use the sponsored money for:

● Concrete Canoe
● Steel Bridge
● GLSC Participation
● WSCL
● Conferences
Questions?

○ Email us at asceiit@gmail.com
○ Follow us on Social Media:
  ■ Facebook: asce.iit
  ■ Instagram/Snapchat: @asce_iit
  ■ LinkedIn: IIT American Society of Civil Engineers
AGENDA ITEM #5 – OLD BUSINESS

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
SOCIETY SPECIAL AWARD SPONSORSHIP

☐ YES! I would like to sponsor a special award for the Future City Competition!

Award Information (Cost = $300 per Award)

Award Title: 

Description/ Criteria: 

Contact Information

Contact Name: Phone: 
Society Name: Fax: 
Company: Email: 
Address: 

Volunteer Information (request 2-3 volunteer judges per award)

1 Name: Phone: 
Company: Fax: 
Address: Email: 

2 Name: Phone: 
Company: Fax: 
Address: Email: 

3 Name: Phone: 
Company: Fax: 
Address: Email: 

☐ No, my society does not wish to sponsor a Special Award, but would like to support the Chicago Region Future City Competition with a donation in the amount of: $ 

Please make the check payable to "Future City Chicago" and send to the attention of:

Mr. Matthew Miller Phone: 312-930-9119 
c/o HNTB Corporation Fax: 312-930-9063 
1 S. Wacker Dr. Suite 900 Email: mamiller@hntb.com 
Chicago, IL 60606

Please contact Matt Miller with any questions or comments. Thank you for your consideration.
2021 Future City Competition
Monday, February 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. Student teams virtually compete on Saturday, February 27th, 2021 (Q&A sessions) at 8:30am or 9am and go into afternoon if needed.
   c. 3 rounds of prelim judging instead of 2 and no final judging round.
   d. Essays, model slideshow, and recorded presentation video are judged prior to competition.
   e. More information: https://futurecity.org/illinois-chicago

2. Special Awards
   a. Approx. 10 min. special award sessions with each school for questions and internal discussion of the school’s responses (time may fluctuate based on participation).
   b. $300 contribution to cover the awards and competition costs.
   c. Special Awards sponsors to provide at least one judge (no more than 3) representing their organization and determining team to receive their award.
   d. Schools’ presentations will be available for judges to view and get an understanding of the school’s vision prior to competition.
   e. Judges provide questions by February 12th for the schools to be better prepared, which will be forwarded to the teams.
   f. Conference call will be scheduled with judges prior to the competition to confirm the judging procedures and review protocol for competition.
   g. Award plaques will be ordered after the competition and shipped directly to the winning schools.
   h. Payment or confirmation by February 12, 2021.
   i. Special Awards Contact Anne Marie Jensen: 312-798-0307 or amjensen@hntb.com

3. Other IL Regional Volunteer Opportunities
   a. Regional Judges: Virtual Q&A (rubric) on city presentation.
   b. Essay: Pre-judging essays abstracts.
   c. City Model: Pre-judging PDF slideshow of photos and description of school’s model.
   d. City Video Presentation: Pre-judging teams recorded 7-minute video presentation of their city.
   e. Competition Support Volunteer: Need help coordinating the virtual event / monitoring zoom rooms and looking for long term support for following years.
   g. Regional Competition Contact Don Wittmer: 312-798-0254 or dwittmer@hntb.com
2021 ISASCE Student Scholarships

2021 Scholarships - $17,500 total!!!

- 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

- January 27th – Scholarship Application available online
- January 28th – Info Session #1 – GI & EWRI panel
- February 4th – Info Session #2 – SEI & CI panel
- February 11th – Info Session #3 – TDI & UPD panel
- February 18th – Info Session #4 – YMG & IS board panel
- March 15th – Application deadline for students
- April 1st – Institutes confirm selections for winners
- April 2nd – Notify winners
- TBD – Spring Scholarship Recognition event/release (Andy will talk more on this)

Info Session Typical Agenda:

1. Introduction & Scholarship Application Info (10 minutes)
2. Profession Panel Q&A (45 minutes)
3. Resume Review Breakout Rooms (30 minutes)

Info Session #1 Recap

- Panelist attendance (9 total)
  - Tom Janicke (IS / SEI)
  - Jim Hambleton (Geo)
  - Andres Matos (Geo)
  - Jason Buenker (Geo)
  - Joe Wilk (EWRI)
  - Paige Adams (EWRI)
  - Steve Randolph (EWRI)
  - Taylor Grove (Outreach)
  - Kris Salvatera (Outreach)

- Student attendance (3 total) – 2 UIC, 1 IIT

- Aside from low student attendance, it went very well
- Will boost encouragement to join and number of emails for other sessions
The Illinois Section American Society of Civil Engineers (ISASCE) & Technical Institutes are pleased to invite Illinois Section university students to apply for this year’s scholarships. Detailed descriptions, eligibility requirements, award selection criteria, and application instructions are included below.

- **ASCE Student Leadership & Involvement Scholarship**
  - One $1,000 award for an undergraduate or graduate student in a current, active leadership role in their ASCE student chapter with a strong interest in continued ASCE involvement after graduation.

- **Construction Institute (CI) Scholarship**
  - Two $1,000 awards for undergraduate or graduate students taking relevant elective courses or indicating strong interest in construction management or construction engineering.

- **Environmental and Water Resources Institute (EWRI) Scholarship**
  - Two $1,000 awards for undergraduate or graduate students taking relevant elective courses or indicating strong interest in environmental engineering or water resources engineering.

- **Geo-Institute (GI) Scholarship**
  - Two $1,500 awards for undergraduate or graduate students taking relevant elective courses or indicating strong interest in geotechnical engineering, geology, geo-environmental engineering or foundation engineering.

- **Structural Engineering Institute (SEI) Scholarship**
  - Three $1,500 awards for undergraduate or graduate students taking relevant elective courses or indicating strong interest in structural engineering or architectural engineering.

- **Transportation & Development Institute (T&DI) Bob Camillone Memorial Scholarship**
  - Two $2,000 awards for undergraduate or graduate students taking relevant elective courses or indicating strong interest in transportation engineering, drainage, urban planning, structural engineering, or geotechnical engineering.

- **Urban Planning and Development (UP&D) Scholarship**
  - One $1,000 award for an undergraduate student taking relevant courses or indicating strong interest in civil engineering.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.** Candidates shall meet the requirements below.

1. Active ASCE membership status with a valid Membership ID Number.
2. Currently pursuing a degree in an ABET-accredited undergraduate or graduate civil engineering or related program per the scholarship(s) for which they are applying.
3. Enrolled at the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), Northwestern University (NU), or Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT). Students from other schools may apply if they have an immediate family member who is a current active member of IL Section ASCE with a valid Membership ID Number.
4. Scheduled to be a full-time student for the Fall 2021 term or expected to graduate after August 2021.
5. Scholarships recipients will be asked to provide a photo and brief acceptance message for recognition on ISASCE social media, newsletters, and other publications. Due to COVID19, there will be no in-person event for the ISASCE Spring Scholarship Dinner, but a virtual pre-recorded event to recognize students is currently being planned for April (details to be determined).
6. Previous Illinois Section ASCE & Technical Institute Scholarship recipients are not eligible.
SCHOLARSHIP AWARD CRITERIA. Scholarship recipients will be selected on the following basis:

- Academic Performance
- Work experience, community involvement, and other extracurricular activities
- Essay Response
- Two Letters of Recommendation

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS.

- All application items shall be submitted in PDF format (preferably 1 combined PDF) via email to illinoissection@isasce.org.
- The email subject line should read “2021 ISASCE Scholarship Application – Applicant Name”.
- Application PDF submittals shall include the following 6 items, in order:
  1. Completed 2021 Scholarship Application Form (see attached application form)
  2. Essay (see attached application form)
  3. Two letters of recommendation (see attached application form)
  4. Current résumé, including work experience, community activities, and extracurriculars.
  5. A current, unofficial academic transcript with course titles, grades and cumulative GPA.
  6. A list of registered (or anticipated) coursework for Fall 2021 (and/or Summer 2021) term
- If there are any questions regarding scholarships or the application, please email Sarah Harbaugh at illinoissection@isasce.org.
- Complete applications must be received on or before Monday, March 15th, 2021.
APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 15th, 2021

• Please indicate undergraduate or graduate student

☐ Undergraduate
  Bachelor of Science

☐ Graduate
  Master of Science, Doctor of Philosophy

• Please indicate the scholarship(s) you are applying for. If you are qualified to apply for more than one scholarship, please rank numerically by priority (1 = first choice, 2 = second choice, etc.)

☐ ASCE Student Leadership & Involvement
☐ Construction Institute (CI)
☐ Environmental and Water Resources Institute (EWRI)
☐ Geo-Institute (GI)
☐ Structural Engineering Institute (SEI)
☐ Transportation & Development Institute (T&DI) Bob Camillone Memorial
☐ Urban Planning and Development (UP&D)

• Please provide your ASCE Membership ID Number: ____________________________

If you are not a UIC, IIT or NU student, please provide the name of your immediate family member who is an Illinois Section ASCE Member and their ASCE Membership ID Number on the line below:

• Essay: On a separate page, write a short summary (300 words or less) explaining why you are pursuing a degree in your field of engineering, outlining your education, career objectives and goals.

• Two Letters of Recommendation: Letters shall be written by a university faculty member, employer, community service supervisor or licensed professional engineer. Please provide the contact information for the individuals who provided the letters of recommendation included in this application:

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• Please indicate below whether you would like to include your résumé in the 2021 IL Section ASCE Resume Book, distributed to potential employers looking for internship & full-time candidates.

☐ Yes, include my résumé in 2021 ISASCE Résumé Book
☐ No, do not include my résumé in Résumé Book

PLEASE READ, SIGN, AND DATE THIS STATEMENT
All information included in this application is true and subject to verification by the Illinois Section ASCE. I agree to provide proof of ASCE membership if requested.

Print Applicant Name: ____________________________________________
Signature: ____________________________________________ Date: ________________
ASCE Open Panel Questions

• Introduce yourself, describe your current role in ASCE/Institute and your professional role/responsibility. How long have you been in the industry and/or Involved in ASCE?
• Please describe your Institute/Group/Committee in more detail
  0 What events are planned for the upcoming year?
  0 If offering Scholarship, please elaborate.
• What’s a typical day like at your job? Describe the people you interact with professionally (managers, clients, other disciplines, etc.) on a daily, monthly, basis.
• What type of software do you use and did you get any exposure to it in college?
• Why did you decide to become a civil engineer and how did you end up where you are today?
• Do you have any advice for college students or young engineers?
• Were you involved in an ASCE student group college?
• What are some benefits of being in an organization like ASCE/institutes?
  0 Discuss Networking, Technical resources, Conferences
• What’s your favorite thing about being a practicing civil engineer?
• What’s your favorite thing about being involved in ASCE?
• Provide advice/encouragement for students to attend networking events & conferences and talk to professionals. What should they talk about?
• What do employers look for in an entry level engineer?
• Considering all the people you’ve networked with, what are some common attributes, skills, personality traits that you continue to see in people who are successful leaders in your company, organization, industry, etc.
AGENDA ITEM #6 – NEW BUSINESS

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
Region 3 Meeting re. Student Conferences Alignment with Region Boundaries

Scott Schiff, Ph.D., M.ASCE / CSCC Chair
Carl Sutter, P.E., F.ASCE / Region 3 Director

January 12, 2021
Goals of Today’s Meeting

• Initial discussion, not trying to make many decisions
• Region stakeholders
• Background
• Issues/concerns
• Action items
Region Stakeholders

• Committee on Student Conferences and Competitions (CSCC) Members
  • Rep. for Region – Dan Linzell

• Region Director, Carl Sutter, and Governors

• Student Chapter Reps
  • Faculty and Practitioner Advisors
  • Student Chapter Presidents/Officers
  • Department Heads

• Section/Branch/Younger Member Reps

• ASCE Staff
Goals of Alignment of North American Student Conferences with Region Boundaries

• Create flagship student conferences
• Engage Region leadership
• Support student chapter hosts
• Promote hosting responsibility by all student chapters
Actions Approved by Board of Direction

- Align student conferences with Region boundaries in Regions 1-9
- Create process for establishing student conferences with Region Boards of Governors having final approval
- Provide a petition process for student chapters to request assignment to a student conference
  - Initial assignment to an out-of-Region student conference
  - After initial assignment, reassignment to another student conference within or outside of Region
Timeline Overview

• Region meetings in January and February to discuss and reach consensus on student conferences
• Approvals by Region Boards of Governors
• Disseminate information related to new student conferences
• Identify 2022 student conference hosts
• Distribute governing documents to each student conference
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<td>Send out Region packets to Region Directors and Region</td>
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<td>Regions have first meeting, initial discussion</td>
<td>CSCC - Scott/Region 1-9 Director</td>
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<td>Region Director submits estimate of anticipated number</td>
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<td>CSCC follow-up with Region Director letting them know</td>
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<td>Regions have second meeting</td>
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<td>Student Chapters may submit petitions for initial</td>
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<td>CSCC notifies student chapters with petition requests</td>
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<td>Regions submit number of student conferences and student chapter assignments</td>
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<td>CSCC meeting to review proposed student conferences and student chapter assignments; CSCC makes recommendation to MCC</td>
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<td>MCC review of CSCC’s recommendations regarding proposed student conferences and student chapter assignments</td>
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<td>MCC recommendations sent to respective Region 1-9 Directors</td>
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<td>Final approval of student conferences and student chapter assignments</td>
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<td>CSCC announces aligned Regions 1-9 student conferences and student chapter assignments</td>
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<td>First 2021 Student Conferences in Regions 1-9</td>
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Available Data/Resources

- Responses from recent student chapter survey
- Spreadsheet containing historical student conference data and allows for “what-if” student conferences
- Student conferences alignment guidance
- GIS map and tools
# Student Chapters in Region 3

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Region 3 Student Chapters Map
Obvious Issues/Concerns

- Size of student conferences and expected number of participating students
- Travel distances between student chapters
- Historical relationships
- Ownership of student conference equipment
Other Region Concerns

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Region 3 Steps:
- Align Student Conferences Within Regions
- Keep Student Chapter Rivalries Intact
- Approval of Proposed Student Conferences
- Next Meeting Week of February 1
- Additional Region 3 Meeting Week of February 15 (if necessary)
Action Items

• Likely number of student conferences – due from Region Director to CSCC by January 19th
• Off-line analysis and participants – need and timing determined by Region Director
• 2nd meeting date and participants – review of potential student conferences and student chapter assignment schemes – week of February 1st
• 3rd meeting date for all stakeholders – gather consensus – week of February 15th
Questions?
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THANK YOU
January 20, 2021

Dear ASCE Institute, Region, Section, Branch, Younger Member and Student Leaders:

Although the rollout of a vaccine offers hope for a return to normalcy, the coronavirus pandemic and its associated economic hardships continue to challenge our return to “business as usual.” Today, we are writing to thank you once again for your continued leadership during these difficult times and to provide additional guidance on some important operational issues. As leaders, the choices we make for our operations today can position us to emerge from these challenging times more quickly and as a stronger, more effective organization.

As previously communicated, decisions on whether to hold in-person meetings, events, or other activities should be made on a case-by-case basis by the Institute, Region, Section, Branch, Younger Member or Student leadership, consistent with guidance from local, state and federal governments and health officials.

Unfortunately, recent weeks have seen sustained, and even increasing, community spread of the virus. In view of this concern, and recognizing our ethical obligation to protect the public health, safety and welfare, we strongly encourage you to pursue alternative options, such as the use of virtual platforms for meetings to be held through June 30, 2021. We also encourage that decisions to conduct an in-person event should be made only if in-person interaction is critical to meet desired objectives and all recommended safety protocols and procedures can be accommodated, in accordance with CDC guidelines for events and gatherings. In addition to prioritizing the safety and health of the public and of potential attendees, virtual meetings can enable broader participation, reduce costs of participation for attendees, and reduce our carbon footprint.

Should you consider conducting face-to-face meetings, please recognize that all face-to-face meetings carry some risk. Measures such as requiring masks and adhering to social distancing may reduce risk but cannot eliminate it. These precautions will be necessary until the rate of community spread has been dramatically reduced, even once most or all participants have been vaccinated. Face-to-face meetings may also expose organizations to liability that may not be covered by insurance, reinforcing the importance of preventive and protective measures including attendee health certifications and liability releases.

Please share this guidance with your related units and members, and please reach out to ASCE General Counsel Tara Hoke at thoke@asce.org if you require legal assistance with meeting contracts and decisions. Note that ASCE staff continue to work remotely, and staff business travel remains restricted, at least until June 30, 2021, with any exceptions requiring Executive Director approval.
The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has been a challenge unlike any other in our professional and personal lives, and we deeply appreciate your willingness to serve our members and the professional community even in the face of such a challenge.

Thank you again for all your efforts as we navigate through this process, and our best wishes to you and your loved ones for continued well-being and a Happy Healthy 2021.

Warm regards,

Jean-Louis Briaud, Ph.D., P.E., D.GE, Dist.M.ASCE
President

Thomas W. Smith III, ENV SP, CAE, F.ASCE
Executive Director
January 7, 2021

Kory Burton, Project Manager
Northwestern University
633 Clark Street
Evanston, IL 60208

Email: kory@northwestern.edu

Dear Mr. Burton:

I am pleased to inform you that ASCE has selected “Coastal Wall at Northwestern University” to receive an Honor Award, and possibly, the 2021 Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement (OCEA) award. Even more exciting, this year, you will be honored during ASCE’s 2021 Convention at the esteemed Outstanding Projects and Leaders (OPAL) event, Friday, October 8, 2021, in Chicago.

We will announce the bronze and silver OCEA runners-up from the nine Honor Award recipients. The evening will culminate with revealing which of the nine Honor Awards will take home the top distinction of the night – the 2021 Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement award. We are thrilled to include your project in our showcase.

Established in 1960, the OCEA award annually recognizes the project that best illustrates superior civil engineering skills and represents a significant contribution to the civil engineering profession and society. It is quite an achievement to be chosen as an honoree from among the many entries received each year. The project selected as the 2021 OCEA winner joins the ranks of past OCEA recipients, such as the JFK International Airport, the World Trade Center, Walt Disney Epcot Center, and many more.

Please read the enclosed letter from Jane Moran Alspach, Director of ASCE’s Honors and Awards Program, and respond to her requests so we can begin to publicize your project as an OCEA Honor Award.

Congratulations to you and your colleagues for this exceptional achievement! I look forward to meeting you at the OPAL Gala.

Sincerely,

Thomas W. Smith III, ENV SP, CAE, F.ASCE
Executive Director

cc: Bill Wood, Engineer of Record; bill.wood@smithgroup.com
    Carl C. Sutter, P.E., F.ASCE, Region Director; csutter@mcmgrp.com
    Megan McDonald, P.E., M.ASCE, Section President; megan.mcdonald@clarkdietz.com
    Carolina Albornoz, Geographic Services; calbornoz@asce.org
January 7, 2021

Kory Burton, Project Manager
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Dear Mr. Burton:

It is my pleasure to serve as your contact for the 2021 Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement (OCEA) Award and the OPAL showcase. As you know, we will choose two runners-up and the OCEA winner from among the Honor Awards at the OPAL Gala, a black-tie event to be held during ASCE’s 2021 Convention on October 8, at the Chicago Hilton, Chicago. It will be an exciting evening, providing significant recognition of your firm and your project to the industry. Please mark your calendar to attend so you can receive the admiration of your peers and colleagues.

While we know you want to share this outstanding recognition with colleagues and potential clients, we ask that you allow ASCE to first release its publicity on January 19 at www.asce.org. To prepare for this announcement, please provide us with a color image (JPEG / 300 dpi) of what you consider to be the best representation of your project. Please include the photo’s credit if it is required.

The OPAL showcase traditionally draws hundreds of civil engineers - practitioners, educators, military engineers, and researchers. On this night the Society presents, in addition to the OCEA award, five individual OPAL Leadership awards in the categories of construction, design, education, government, and management. This is truly a night in which we “celebrate civil engineering’s best”!

I look forward to working with you as we recognize your firm and your unique project. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by email at jalspach@asce.org.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Jane Moran Alspach
Director, Honors and Awards
Hello all,

The ASCE Legends flyer for the Wednesday, January 27th at 7:30 pm presentation is attached. I apologize for the short notice. Please share.

Frank Avila will be presenting. He is going to discuss how he ended up in politics as an engineer with his position as Commissioner for the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD). His path is definitely an interesting one that explores another option that civil engineering students are likely unaware of for their future careers.

I created a YouTube channel for easier access and sharing for all the presentation videos. It is linked here: [ASCE Legends Chicago - YouTube](#)

UIC, Northwestern, and IIT felt that the Wednesday at 7:30pm time was the most accommodating for the three school's schedules. The dates of the presentations are circled below. More presentations can be added in if the students want them.

![2021 Calendar](image)

Thanks,

Michelle Calcagno
S.M.ASCE
mcalcagno@berkeley.edu
312-735-6394
Comissioner Frank Avila, the son of Mexican immigrants, was born and raised on the Near West Side of Chicago. He has a B.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana and a M.S. in Finance from the University of Arizona, Tucson. With over 59 years of combined experience as a Professional Engineer and Land Surveyor in the State of Illinois, he understands the technical, environmental, and financial side of Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) projects. He also understands the hard work and difficulties small business owners face from his experience as a small, minority business owner.

Professional Engineer, Land Surveyor, and Environmentalist, Frank Avila was elected to the MWRD for a six-year term in 2002 and re-elected in 2008 and 2014. One of his first jobs out of engineering school was at the MWRD, where he was inspired by the ambitious civil engineering projects that improved the health, welfare, and environment of the Greater Chicago area. In 1975, Frank started his own engineering company, Avila & Associates, Inc., but he never forgot his early formative experiences working for the MWRD. After 26 successful years in his engineering business, Frank sold his company and decided to lead a life of public service, by returning to the agency that started his career. Since his election in 2002, Frank Avila helped the MWRD stay on the forefront of fiscally sound and environmentally forward policy. As former Chairman of Finance, he ensured that the MWRD maintains AAA bond ratings, undertook pension reform, created local jobs, and added billions to the local economy.

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Legend Presentation by M. FRANK AVILA

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1.29.2021 Webinar: A Bi-Partisan Legislative Look-Ahead

Join ACEC Illinois & ASCE for a Virtual Bi-Partisan Legislative Look-Ahead.

**Speakers:**
- Senator Ram Villivalam (Chair, Senate Transportation Committee)
- Senator Don DeWitte (Minority Spokesperson, Senate Transportation Committee)

*Your WebEx Link will be emailed with your registration confirmation email.
*Complimentary to ACEC Illinois members.

DETAILS & REGISTRATION
AGENDA ITEM #7 – INSTITUTE/GROUP REPORTS

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
Urban Planning & Development (UP&D) Illinois Chapter Activity Report
February 1st, 2021

Past Activities

UP&D-IL January Dinner Meeting
Topic: None Due to COVID-19
Date: None
Time: None
Location: None

Future Activities

UP&D-IL February Dinner Meeting
Topic: TBD
Date: TBD
Time: TBD
Location: TBD

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Whitfield, PE
Chair, UP&D Illinois Chapter
Younger Member Group (YMG)
Group Report for IL Section Board Meeting
Feb 1st, 2021

Past Events (Jan & Feb 2021)

Jan Board Meeting
Date: 01/06/21

Feb Board Meeting
Date: 02/03/21

Younger Member Group Award - Submitted
Date: 2/1/21

PM Skills Series – Session 1
Date: 2/8/21

Happy Hour Lunar New Year
Date: 2/17/21, 7:30pm

ISASCE Virtual Scholarship – YMG
Date: 2/18, 6:00pm

E-Week
Date: 2/21 – 2/27

Future City Competition
Date: 2/27

YMG funded a special award

Future Events (March/April 2021)

March Board Meeting
Date: TBD

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

Game night with Student Chapters of Universities
Date: Feb./March

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 no events to report on for January, 2021.

We do have our IL CI Board meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2021 and anticipate formalizing a virtual presentation regarding constructions issues encountered during the CoviD pandemic to be set for the end of February or early March.

Respectfully Submitted:

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

Last Month’s Activities:

Executive Committee Meeting
Host: EWRI Chicago Chapter Board
Date & Time: January 12, 2021, 4:00 PM
Place: via conference call

EWRI Technical Workshop Series – First Session
Topic: Smart City, Smart Water, Smart Investment?
Date & Time: January 20, 2021, 12:00-1:30
Place: Zoom Online Webinar

This Month’s Activities:

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

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
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: March 9, 2021, 4:00 PM
Place: via conference call
RSVP: Paige Adams (PAdams@baxterwoodman.com)

EWRI Technical Workshop Series – Session 3
Topic: Smart City, Smart Water, Smart Investment?
Date & Time: March (TBD)
Place: Zoom Online Webinar
Abstract: Many aspects of the construction and performance of infrastructure rely on load transfer between soils and structures and on soil penetration processes. Examples include deep foundations, in-situ testing, and soil reinforcements. Some research published to date has indicated that understanding the energy-efficient processes of load transfer and soil penetration present in nature, consisting of biological adaptations and strategies developed by animals and plants, can inspire new and efficient solutions, this requires careful assessment of the differences in spatial and temporal scales between the biological and engineered domains.

This presentation will highlight the application of bio-inspiration towards two geotechnical engineering topics. The first application is the transfer of load at soil-structure interfaces, with an emphasis on piled foundations. A dilemma in pile design exists as large skin friction can lead to difficulties during installation (i.e. refusal), yet it also promotes a large pile axial capacity. To address this, surfaces inspired by the belly scales of snakes were designed and built, which mobilize a direction-dependent interface strength. Interface shear experiments reveal the dependence of the friction angles and dilatancy on the direction of loading, while centrifuge load tests on instrumented piles with snakeskin-inspired surfaces show the potential benefits in performance compared to untextured piles. The second application focuses on soil penetration, which is a highly energy-intensive process. A process inspired by the mechanisms employed by organisms such as clams, earth and marine worms, and plant roots is analyzed and applied to a model in-situ testing tool. The results of numerical analyses indicate that while the bio-inspired strategy can be used to self-burrow in different soils, its performance is highly dependent on its geometrical configuration. Discrete element simulations reveal the soil failure processes that result in the decrease of the soil penetration resistance and in the mobilization of anchorage forces. While implementing biological strategies towards engineering applications can lead to new and efficient solutions, this requires careful assessment of the differences in spatial and temporal scales between the biological and engineered domains.

About the Speaker: Alejandro Martinez is an assistant professor at the University of California Davis. He obtained his Ph.D. and M.S. degrees from Georgia Tech in 2015 and 2012, respectively, and his B.S. from the University of Texas at Austin in 2010. His research aims to further the understanding of soil behavior and soil-inclusion interactions involved in geotechnical engineering as well as in burrowing and locomotion. His research interests include bio-inspired geotechnics, soil-structure interactions, fabric effects on soil behavior, and static and cyclic liquefaction of soils. His research employs a combination of experimental laboratory, centrifuge modeling, and numerical techniques. He received the NSF CAREER award and the Hellman Fellowship, and in 2019 he co-organized and co-led the 1st International Workshop for Bioinspired Geotechnics.
Structural Engineering Institute (SEI) Illinois Chapter Activity Report

February 1st, 2021

Past Activities

SEI-IL January Committee Meeting
Date: Thursday, January 21st
Time: 12PM
Location: Zoom

SEI-IL Lecture Series Event Planning Meeting
Topic: Venue Discussion, Topic Discussion
Date: Wednesday, January 6th
Time: 12PM
Location: Zoom

SEI January Webinar Meeting
Topic: RJ Watson Bearings
Date: Thursday, January 28th
Time: 12PM – 1PM
Location: ASCE Zoom

Future Activities

SEI February Webinar Meeting
Topic: 3rd Avenue Bridge Rating and Deck Replacement
Date: TBD
Time: 12PM – 1PM
Location: ASCE Zoom

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

SEI-IL Scholarship Student Panel Participation
Date: Thursday, February 4th
Time: 6pm
Location: Zoom
SEI-IL Primary Article for ISASCE Spring 2021 Newsletter
Date: Monday, February 15th

Respectfully Submitted,

Irsilia Colletti, PE
Chair, SEI Illinois Chapter
Transportation & Development Institute (T&DI)
Activity Report
February 1, 2021

Past Activities

January Virtual Luncheon
Date: January 14, 2021
Speaker: Paul Kovacs, Chief Engineering Officer – Illinois Tollway
Outcome: 100+ members attended to hear Mr. Kovacs present on the building of the Illinois Tollway System and how the Illinois Tollway has continued to deliver the infrastructure needed to provide mobility and access for an ever-changing region.
External Communications: Newsletter recap, LinkedIn Posts (public & private pages), Executive Board personal posts

Future Activities

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

February Virtual Happy Hour / Networking
Date: February 25, 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

Upcoming speakers – dates TBD
IDOT D1 – Jose Rios, Region 1 Engineer (March)
CTA – Bill Mooney, CTA Chief Infrastructure Officer (April)
CCDOTH – Sis Killen (TBD)
Technical Presentation – Member + Client (TBD)

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
Annual Awards
Committee Report for IL Section Board Meeting
February 1, 2021

Updates for Board since last meeting

1. 156 views for Awards Intro / Society President Jean-Louis Briaud (144 view in Dec) and 86 views for IL Section President Address (78 views in Dec) as of 2/1.

2. Contacted CDOT Director of Public Affairs for sharing ASCE Awards on CDOT’s social media on 12/8. Only posted CDOT’s award. Followed up on other awards on 1/12.

Respectfully Submitted,
Anne Marie Jensen / Zach Pucel
2021 IS-ASCE Annual Awards Co-Chairs
Student Outreach Committee –February 2021 Report

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

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 February 2021 IS-ASCE Board Meeting
February 1, 2021 – 4:00pm

Past & Current Activity Update (January 2021):

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

1. Schedule
   a. Initial IS-ASCE Student Scholarships kick-off discussion meeting held via MS Teams on Thursday 12/17/2020 @ 4:00pm w/ Scholarship committee (Janicke, Grove, Salvatera & Walton).
      i. Discussed various items including schedule for scholarship application and 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 to discuss suggested format and overall length of video production.
      i. Discussed 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 scheduled for Thursday 2/4/2021 @ 3:00pm w/ Scholarship committee (Janicke, Grove, Salvatera & Walton).
   d. Scholarship application form and schedule being led by Scholarship Chair Janicke.
   e. Target of mid-April for release of virtual media recognition.

2. Virtual Media Recognition proposed format:
   a. 2021 IS-ASCE President-Elect – Andrew Walton
      i. Opening Address and Introduction of 2022 ASCE President
   b. 2021 ASCE President-Elect (2022 ASCE President) – Dennis D. Truax
      i. Use of Video One Productions for only this one (1) video production segment and for video editing services.
   c. 2021 IS-ASCE President-Elect – Institute Chairs
   d. Student Scholarship Award Recipients Acknowledgement and presentations.
   e. Target of mid-April for release of virtual media recognition.

3. Budget
   a. Identified the need to establish a budget and proposal for Video One Productions services.

Springfield Legislative Drive-Down (aka ‘Lobby Day’)

1. See ‘Future Activity & Action Items’ below.
IS-ASCE – President-Elect / Spring Dinner Report (Continued)
Prepared for the February 2021 IS-ASCE Board Meeting
February 1, 2021 – 4:00pm

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

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

   a. Review dates for scholarship collection, selection of winners, and notification dates.
   i. Scholarship Applications due – 3/8/2021
   ii. Institutes confirm selections of scholarship winners – 3/25/2021
   iii. Notify scholarship winners – 3/26/2021
   iv. Videos from scholarship winners due – 4/2/2021
   v. Virtual Media Recognition release – 4/15/2021
   b. Discuss any participation or logistics needs for virtual visits with NU, UIC & IIT
      i. GI & EWRI – 1/28/2021 @ 6pm
      ii. SEI & CI – 2/4/2021 @ 6pm
      iii. T&DI & UPD – 2/11/2021 @ 6pm
      iv. IS-ASCE & YMG – 2/18/2021 @ 6pm
   c. Discuss pre-final itinerary for virtual media recognition event.
   d. Discuss development of proposal & budget for Video One Productions services

2. Send Contact ASCE Leadership to engage in virtual media recognition:
   a. 2021 ASCE President-Elect (2022 President) Dennis D. Truax, Ph.D., P.E., DEE, D.WRE, F.NSPE, F.ASCE
   b. Complete ASCE Invitation Request Form
      i. Discuss potential for in-person visit by 2021 ASCE President-Elect or if this is even needed if no travel.

3. Budget
   a. Discuss motion for a not-to-exceed amount as identified in the FY2021 IS-ASCE budget for Video One Productions services.

Springfield Legislative Drive-Down (aka ‘Lobby Day’)

1. IS-ASCE Government Relations Chair Matt Kirby is leading this initiative for the Illinois Section with assistance from Government Relations Committee members.
   a. Initial Government Relations committee kick-off discussion meeting via MS Teams on Friday 12/18/2020 @ 2:30pm.
      i. Discussed various items including potential for virtual ‘Lobby Day’ event
   b. IS-ASCE will work with TFIC and ACEC-IL for coordination of a virtual ‘Lobby Day’
   c. Action Item: Contact ACEC-IL & TFIC for scheduling input to identify target date and discuss options for in-person or virtual ‘Lobby Day’ event for 2021.

2. Discuss Government Relations University w/ Gov’t Relations Chair Matt Kirby and Past-President Megan McDonald for future GR/PR University Class tentative Spring (March) 2022 following release of Illinois ASCE Report Card.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew Walton, PE
IS-ASCE President-Elect, 2020-2021
Diversity and Inclusion Committee

ACTIVITY REPORT

February 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
February 1, 2021

- Membership Database
  - Total IS-ASCE Database: 3,019
  - Current IS-ASCE Membership: 2,675
    - 1,106 Life Members/Student Members
    - 1,569 Members w/ Dues (1,336 have paid 2021 Society Dues)
    - 36 New Members

- Initiatives
  - Local Membership Champions
    - Developing initial list of Local Membership Champions
  - Student Member Transition
    - White paper developed in May 2020 has been updated and is currently being reviewed by Student Outreach Committee
    - Will be presented at March or April board meeting
• Miscellaneous
  o Updated member databases have been provided to technical groups by Sarah
    ▪ To be sent out quarterly (January, April, July, October)
  o Newsletter article being developed (due 2/15)
  o 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 early to mid-February)

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Borges
IS-ASCE Membership Chair
Government Relations Committee Report
February 1, 2021

Illinois Legislation Tracker

Local Activities:
- January 29 event with ACEC
  - With state Sens. Ram Villivalam (D) and Don DeWitte (R) of the transportation committee
- State Legislative Day
  - 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 and Society coordination).

Society Government Relations:
- Failure to Act report released 1/12.
- 2021 Report Card will be released 3/3/2021
  - Sign up for release event here: https://2021ircsummit.rsvpify.com
  - Plan to promote report card on social media after release.
  - Will contact local media about the release.
- Virtual Fly-In is March 3-4
  - Section Attendees: Brian Pawula, Andrew Walton, Megan McDonald, Matt Kirby, John Lazzara, Muhammad Ali, Pat Lach, Darren Olson, Others?
- Key Contacts receive weekly newsletter and requests to send emails to Members of Congress on key issues and legislation
- January Key Contact Webinar: None
- February Key Contact Webinar: Failure to Act Report, 2/3

TFIC:
- Thanks to Jennifer Morrison for joining and providing this month’s TFIC update.
- Impact of license renewal deferrals on Rebuild Illinois remains unknown. TFIC has reached out to the Secretary of State’s office.
- Met with freshman Congresswoman Marie Newman on 1/26. She is excited to continue to work with TFIC (and ASCE) to support her work on the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. Provided many ASCE resources to her and staff.
  - Her staff is particularly interested in continuing to meet with ASCE. Follow-up meeting planned for week of

Respectfully Submitted,
Matt Kirby, PE, MLE, M.ASCE
EWB Committee Report:

Wema, Kenya – Wema is a local orphanage and school with approximately 500 students, located in the Bukembe Village in Bungoma, Kenya. EWB Chicago previously in 2017 installed a filtration and chlorination for an existing drilled well to provide a clean source of water through the EWB Engineering Service Core program after numerous children came down with Typhoid. Afterwards, the school asked to officially partner with EWB and in 2019 EWB Chicago conducted an Assessment Trip to coordinate with the community and determine upcoming projects for the 5 year partnership. Assessments were conducted for all identified projects, including solar power, water system expansion, rainwater harvesting, and new bathrooms. Recently, the team has been designing and planning for implementing the water system expansion in 2021. They spent 2020 conducting online fundraisers, since travel was halted due to the pandemic.

Tzaput, Guatemala - Tzaput is a rural community of 120 people within the Municipality of Sololá, Guatemala. The Village built their existing water distribution system with the help of the local government in 1997. They built a pump house and 50 cubic meter water reserve tank powered by a diesel pump. The diesel engine driving the pump broke in 2013. Since then, the village has been purchasing a limited amount of water from the neighboring community. The EWB Chicago team conducted an Assessment Trip in 2019. The team has spent 2020 conducting online fundraisers and finishing up preliminary design to upgrade the existing water distribution system since travel was halted due to the pandemic.

Joyabaj, Guatemala - The Joyabaj project was a hydro-electric project to refurbish and commission an abandoned dam. The team is a partnership between, EWB Chicago, EWB Milwaukee, and the EWB Guatemala in-country office. Team had a successful implementation in December of 2019. Sounds like this project will be closing.

Overall take: Pre-pandemic EWB Chicago was experiencing some obstacles from having EWB-USA prohibit travel to Honduras and El Salvador due to escalating in-country violence, which effectively killed three of their long-term projects. During the pandemic, the EWB Chicago chapter has shrunk membership-wise but they have focused on using this time to fundraiser and complete preliminary designs to come into 2021 stronger.
Newsletter Committee Report
February 1, 2021

Newsletter Updates

- Articles for the Spring Newsletter are due on Monday, 2/15. I sent a notification to groups responsible for articles on 1/11 and sent a reminder today (on 2/1).
- 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
Matt (and Brian) –
I am not going to be able to make the meeting tonight – have some family duty this afternoon /
evening.

Report Card Update:
- Executive Committee has met and is continuing to meet to plan out the process
- Reaching out to other Illinois Sections / Branches to see if they want to assist
- Submitted Report Card form, initial roster and initial schedule to ASCE National to “kick off”
  the process.

Let me know if you have any questions.

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