

CSCE Board Meeting Agenda – March 28, 2019 – 7:00 p.m. – Elizabeth’s Restaurant, Rocky Hill, CT

The meeting started at 7:06 p.m. The following people were in attendance: President David Chapman, Past President Christopher Beaulieu, Legislative Affairs Committee Chair Roy Merritt, Secretary Brianna Maljanian, Younger Members Committee President Jodi Greene, History & Heritage Committee Chair Randy States, Treasurer George Gerard and Administrative Assistant Amy Petrone. The following topics were discussed:

1. Legislative Affairs Committee

Roy Merritt and Brianna Maljanian provided an update on the recent activities of the committee. In February and March 2019, members of this committee provided testimony on behalf of CSCE to the state legislature on the following bills:

In Support of:

Senate Bill No. 713 – An Act Concerning Open Rest Areas

House Bill No. 5162 – An Act Establishing A Task Force To Study Alternative Funding Sources For Rest Areas On State Highways

House Bill No. 7280 (Raised) – An Act Concerning Support For Transportation Infrastructure And The Creation Of The Connecticut Transportation Finance Authority

House Bill No. 7202 – An Act Concerning The Sustainability Of Connecticut’s Transportation Infrastructure

In Opposition to:

Senate Bill No. 917 - An Act Concerning The State Contracting Standards Board And Requirements For Privatization Contracts

Senate Bill No. 1037 – An Act Concerning Verification of Contractor Employee Activity Under Certain Computer-Related State Contracts

Senate Bill No. 876 – An Act Authorizing And Adjusting Bonds Of The State For Capital Improvements, Transportation And Other Purposes

House Bill No. 877 – An Act Concerning Revenue Items To Implement The Governor’s Budget

From March 12-14 2019, Brianna Maljanian, Jen Buchanon and Katie Klose represented CSCE at the 19th Annual ASCE Legislative Fly-In in Washington, DC. While there, they attended Younger Members training events and met with the ASCE President-Elect, U.S. Representative Jahana Hayes and staff of other Connecticut legislators. As a local option, CSCE could consider hosting a legislative drive-in to local legislative offices in Connecticut in the future.

2. Younger Members Committee

Jodi Greene provided an update on the recent activities of this committee. From January 25-26, 2019, 6 CSCE Younger Members attended the 2019 ASCE Younger Member Leadership Conference in Orlando, FL. While at the conference, CSCE Younger Members presented an application to host the 2021 ASCE Younger Member Leadership Conference. Unfortunately, the North Carolina section of

ASCE was chosen to host that conference. Additionally, Younger Members attended Branch Leaders presentations, which focused on leadership, communication and management opportunities and roundtable discussions, which highlighted student involvement and Younger Member activities. New ideas that were raised at the conference include increasing philanthropic activities by Younger Members and changing the format of the newsletter to a format used by the New Hampshire section of ASCE.

On February 28, 2019, the Committee co-hosted a Winter Brewery Social at Alvarium Brewery in New Britain, CT, with other local engineering organizations and students from Connecticut universities. The event was successful with between 40-50 people in attendance. Future events include a trip to a Hartford Yard Goats baseball game on May 16, 2019, a Summer Brewery Social (Date: TBD) and a Can-Structure event where local engineering firms will compete to build the best can-structure and support local food pantries in the fall (Date: TBD).

3. History & Heritage Committee – Randy States is considering submitting an ASCE Landmark Designation application for a site in Connecticut.

4. Treasurer's Report – George Gerard provided the following information:

Accounts - An update on the balances of the CSCE accounts was shared with the group.

Banner - An image of a potential CSCE banner that could be used at CSCE events was circulated at the meeting. CSCE could obtain design advice from the company designing the banner and there would be about a 4-day turnaround for the banner.

Golf Tournament - Since a new chair of the annual golf tournament is needed for 2019, he will contact Jud Wible of WSP to see if he is interested in managing the tournament this year.

Scholarship Applications – There were 13 student award nominees this year. George Gerard made a motion to provide each of them with \$1,000. The motion was seconded by Chris Beaulieu and it passed unanimously.

5. Secretary's Report – Brianna Maljanian provided an update on the following activities:

Membership Committee – There are 1598 CSCE members.

Annual Report – At the writing of the annual report in the fall of 2018, there was an opportunity to provide information to ASCE about CSCE's efforts to increase diversity and inclusion. To increase diversity and inclusion in its activities, CSCE could reach out to and work with local groups such as the WTS (Women's Transportation Seminar a.k.a. WTS – Connecticut Chapter). To start this effort, Amy Petrone will forward the list of affiliated organizations that were invited to the 2019 ACE Awards to Brianna Maljanian and Jodi Greene.

Operations Manual – The suggested edits to the Manual were reviewed and discussed by the meeting attendees. The goal is to incorporate the edits by the ACE Awards, which are on May 21, 2019.

6. ACE Awards – The following topics were discussed about the upcoming ACE Awards:

Photographer – George Gerard will check with a local photographer to see if he/she would be interested in photographing the event. CSCE would like to have the photographs available 1-2 days after the event.

ASCE Representative – ASCE will be determining who will be attending the ACE Awards as its representative.

Slide Show – Amy Petrone will ask Bob Gomez if he would like to manage the project slide show again this year.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.