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## Greetings Duluth Section Membership!

I am writing this message on February 7, in the middle of a snow storm, sitting in the Duluth Airport, watching the snow removal equipment run in circles. I am in route to Dallas, for the ASCE Multi Region Conference. I just received word that my flight has been delayed for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time today. Hopefully by the time you read this, I will have made it to Dallas and learned a great deal of information about ASCE to bring back to the Board and Section.

Moving on to more exciting info, January was a very busy month for the Section Board, we met with about 20 past presidents on the 16th. As I hoped, a significant amount of very valuable information was shared, and we will have more details about information we gained and action plans to pass along to you in the coming months.

One thing that was brought up, that we decided to immediately act on, was the UMD Scholarship dollar figure. To date, the Section had provided two \$1000 scholarships. While that amount is real money, it doesn't have the impact it used to and we struggle to get applications. Therefore, in an attempt to make a modest improvement, the Board voted to increase the amount to \$1,500.

Scholarship applications are currently being accepted; the form is presented again later in this newsletter. Please make an active effort to encourage students to apply.

Lastly, I would like to plug the Younger Member Group ASCE apparel order. Please find the form within this newsletter. We appreciate you showing your support for ASCE by wearing the great looking gear.

Thanks.

Joe Butler
Duluth Section President

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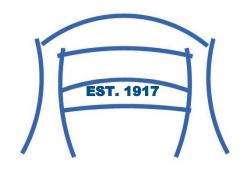
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#### Web Updates

Lisa Karlgaard, PE LHB, Inc. (218) 279-2486 Lisa.Karlgaard@lhbcorp.com





Please join us for a Unique Presentation February 19, 2018 at 12:00 pm Radisson Hotel



Jason Staebell, P.E.

Principal Project Manager at Hennepin

County Transportation Department

President of the ASCE Minnesota Section

Led the effort to develop Minnesota's first ever Infrastructure Report Card

Please RSVP by responding directly to the electronic invitation you will receive via e-mail.

## Professional rate is \$20. Student rate is \$10.

Costs will be collected at the door or in advance.

ASCE Duluth Section will issue a PDH certificate to members in good standing. It is the responsibility of the individual to determine whether or not the presentation is applicable to his/her career.

## Membership and Board Meetings for 2018-2019

## **Membership Meetings**

February 19, 2019 March 19, 2019 April 16, 2019 (Awards Dinner) May 21, 2019

## **Board Meetings**

February 27, 2019 March 27, 2019 April 24, 2019 May 22, 2019



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## **ASCE Duluth Section Board Meeting Minutes**

January 24, 2019

Meeting Attendees were Andrew Kilpo, Joe Butler, Brett Ballavance, Tom DesMarais, Rose Henkel The meeting was called to order at 4:40 pm. A quorum was present.

Motion was made to approve December 2018 meeting minutes. Tom made a motion to approve minutes.

Andrew seconded it. Minutes were approved unanimously.

UMD Student Update (Ellie): No update.

**YMG discussion (Pete)**: Joe to send email to Pete and Randy about getting order in for the Toothpick Bridge. Looking to clarify payment options. Mock Career Fair had a good turnout of 20 students. Planning on curling on February 16<sup>th</sup>.

Treasurer's Report (Brett): Checking: \$11,219.49, Savings: \$6,975.74

- 1. Brett to submit year end report to national.
- 2. Tom submitted checks from past luncheons and last year's conference.
- 3. Tom to send email to the Depot for the Engineering Ethics room use.
- 4. Brett is creating a cheat sheet for all accounts.
- 5. Rose made a motion to increase scholarship to \$1500 per recipient. Brett seconded it. Motion approved unanimously. Joe to mention increase in President's message.
- 6. Andrew made a motion to refund Matt Jensen \$260 for fees he incurred while attending the Minneapolis Multi-Region Conference in 2017. Tom seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.
- 7. Rose to give Brett Higher Logic sign-in info.

**Speakers (Andrew Kilpo):** February speaker will be Jason Staebell presenting on the Minnesota Report Card. Still need a speaker for March.

**Newsletter Update (Rose):** Submission due February 3, 2019. Newsletter to be sent by February 8, 2019. Will be including toothpick bridge, picture of past president's meeting, YMG update, curling announcement, and scholarship.

**Membership (Tom Donofrio):** No update.

## **Ongoing Business:**

- 1. Past President's Meeting: Good turnout. Had good feedback. Will table talking about until next month.
- 2. Radisson contract: No update from Andrew on if we have one.
- 3. Mentoring: Joe to follow up on proposal from UMD. Tabling until May.
- 4. Higher Logic: Rose to dig into and look up full list of past president's for Award Dinner invites.
- 5. Engagement initiative: Rose and Tom to work on.

Matrix: Reviewed.

New Business: No new business.

Next Board Meeting: February 27, 2019 @ Bent Paddle, 4:30 pm

Meeting adjourned: 5:45 pm. Rose made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom seconded it.

# YMG Update

**Duluth Section Younger Member Group** 

February 2019

## The YMG Rundown

We had great turnout at our 3rd Annual Mock Career Fair! A huge thank you to those that took the time out of their busy schedules to volunteer and participate. Year after year, we hear from students that it is a great experience. A picture from our social is shown below.



Next up is our Annual Curling Event scheduled February 16. If you didn't receive the email invite and would like one, feel free to contact a board member. We will be inviting the MN Section to attend, two years ago they sent a group up to join in the festivities and it was a fun networking opportunity between the sections!

This is the last newsletter you will see the clothing order in before the deadline so don't miss out on the opportunity to represent your section and support the YMG group!

This spring we are slated to tour the Thomson Hydro facility with the YMG group. As always, even if you don't fall in the younger member category you are welcome to attend! The best part of the tours is all of the different perspectives in attendance. We will provide more details as we get closer to the event!

## **Upcoming Events**

**Annual Curling Event** 

• February 16th

MDL Skiing Event

March

Tour of Thomson Hydro Station

• Early Spring (date to follow)

YMG Barbeque

Spring (date/location to follow)

PE Study Group Ongoing

Like the YMG FB Page!

https://www.facebook.com/groups/ 1574852259492720/

Current YMG Board

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## **ASCE Duluth Section Clothing Order Form**



Name:	2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Email:		
<u>ltem</u>	Shirt Color	Logo Color	Select Size (S	-XL; 2XL+\$2.00; 3XL+\$3.00)
Screen Printed T-Shirt (\$15)	Blue	White	Unisex:	
Sport-Tek Polo (\$30)	Black	Blue	Men's:	Women's:
	Blue	White	Men's:	Women's:
Sport-Tek Quarter Zip (\$40)	Black	Blue	Men's:	Women's:
	Blue	White	Men's:	Women's:
Sport-Tek Full Zip (\$45)	Black	Blue	Men's:	Women's:
Baseball Cap (\$20)	Grey & Black	Black	Unisex:	S/M, M/L, or L/XL
Knit Stocking Cap (\$15)	Black	Blue	Unisex:	One Size
Amount Due:		_(Please include	e payment when s	ubmitting form)
Cash		Check ma	de out to <b>ASCE Du</b>	luth Section
For Cash or Check: Mail com	pleted form and	cash/check to F MN 55802	Randy Paul at 325	S Lake Ave, Suite 700, Duluth,
				o.com Paypal account, include mg.asce.duluth@gmail.com

\*All clothing will be embroidered with the ASCE Duluth Section Logo (located at top of order form), exluding the T-shirts (Screen Printed)\*

Deadline: Friday March 1st. Late orders may not be filled

Questions about clothing or order form? Contact ymg.asce.duluth@gmail.com

## <u>Announcement</u>

The ASCE Duluth Section will be having the 23th Annual Toothpick Bridge Competition on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at UMD in the Fieldhouse. The high school student will be bringing bridges they have made to be tested based on how appealing the bridge is, how much weight it can hold, and light the bridge can be while still holding 10 kilograms. If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Chris Morris, Toothpick Bridge Chair, at 218.340.5092 or christopher.morris@state.mn.us.

## Past President's Meeting



On January 16, 2019, the Duluth Section Board hosted a meeting with past presidents to gain knowledge and insight of where the Duluth Section has been and ideas of what we could do to reach our goals. The picture above shows those in attendance.

## **ASCE - DULUTH SECTION SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

**OBJECTIVE:** To present up to two \$1500 scholarship annually to an eligible individual.

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1. For one of the two scholarships, the candidate must be either a spouse or a son or daughter of an ASCE Duluth Section member in good standing or a student member of ASCE assigned to the Duluth Section as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year, and,
- 2. The candidate must be registered for classes in the upcoming school year at a four-year university or college and,
- 3. The candidate must be either a junior, senior, or graduate student majoring in civil engineering during the award year.
- 4. The candidate must complete and transmit the application form to the Duluth Section Secretary by March 20<sup>th</sup> to be eligible for the scholarship.
- 5. For the second of the two scholarships the student must be enrolled at UMD. Requirements 2, 3 & 4 also apply for the second scholarship.

## SCHOLARSHIP REVIEW GUIDELINES:

- 1. The scholarship review committee will consist of the first past-president, president and president elect.
- 2. The secretary shall review all applicants to ensure that they meet minimum qualifications. The secretary shall black out all personal information from the application form and then forward one copy to each of the review committee members.
- 3. The review committee shall recommend one or more candidates to the full Duluth section board at the March board meeting.
- 4. The scholarship winner will be announced in the April newsletter and shall receive the scholarship at the April section meeting.

## REVISIONS TO THE ASCE-DULUTH SECTION SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES:

- 1. The objectives, eligibility requirements or the scholarship review guidelines maybe changed at any time by simple majority vote of the Duluth Section board.
- 2. All revisions to the guidelines will go into effect the year following the current scholarship cycle.

## ASCE-DULUTH SECTION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

NAME:			
ADDRESS:	(HOME)		(SCHOOL)
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Return to:	ASCE Duluth Section S abarnebey@msa-ps.co		

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