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Thanks.

Greetings Duluth Section Membership!

The short 28 days of the month of February has come and gone, and with it the northland has received a record amount of snow and two significant stretches of polar vortex cold. As civil engineers, I know we spent our time dreaming of summer, and drawing the projects we are going to put together this upcoming construction season. As people that live in the northland, I also know that you are finding ways to enjoy the snow and cold, but are leaving town for warmer climates whenever possible. :)

Moving into March, we have a couple pieces of business for you:

1. The board is entertaining the idea of not doing a presentation at every luncheon. We may provide engineering and business topic for debate at each meeting. We would welcome your feedback on if this is a good idea or not. Please contact a board member with comments.
2. 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. We are offering 2 scholarships at \$1500 each.
3. The Younger Member Group ASCE apparel order is still active. Please find the form within this newsletter.
4. April Awards Event – The board has decided to have a similar event to last year. We will have a networking event with heavy appetizers and a drink provided, with brief comments and presentation of the scholarships. We are encouraging significant others to attend and the hope is that with a less formal event we can grow attendance.

Lastly, I want to make an early request for new board members next year. I am proud to say that we have a full, engaged board right now. We are looking for candidates to join us as the Secretary next year as we say a thankful goodbye to our Past President Tom Desmarais. I will note that there is no rule against service on the board for a second time. Anyone interested please contact a board member.

I hope everyone is having a successful first quarter, surviving the snow and cold, and I look forward to seeing you at this month's events, without wearing a heavy parka, hopefully.

Thanks.

Joe Butler
Duluth Section President

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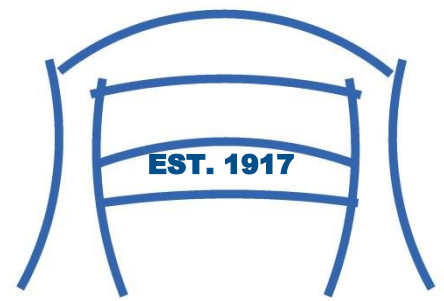
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Please join us for
a Unique Presentation
March 19, 2018 at 12:00 pm
Radisson Hotel

“2019 Construction Projects planned by MnDOT and the City of Duluth”

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.

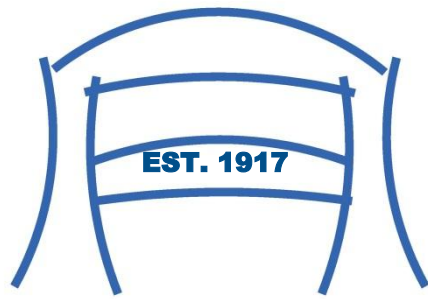
Membership and Board Meetings for 2018-2019

Membership Meetings

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

Board Meetings

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



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ASCE Duluth Section Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: February 27, 2019

Attendees: Joe Butler, President
Rose Henkel, Vice President
Andrew Kilpo, President Elect
Tom DesMarais, Past President
Andrew Barnebey, Secretary
Pete Demshar, Younger Member Chair

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm. A quorum was present.

Previous Meeting Minutes: Motion was made by Andrew Kilpo and seconded by Pete Demshar to approve February meeting minutes. Minutes were approved unanimously.

General Items

It was noted that 14 people attended the curling outing.

It was requested that younger member meeting minutes be send to the Board as a courtesy.

It was noted that the apparel order for the toothpick bridge contest is now complete.

There is a March 1st deadline for the general section apparel order.

Younger member group has still not ordered checks for their account. They will pursue this. Pete Demshar to follow up.

Treasurer's Report

Account balances as of February 27, 2019 are:

1. Business Checking - \$12,009.53
2. Business Market Rate Savings - \$6,976.10

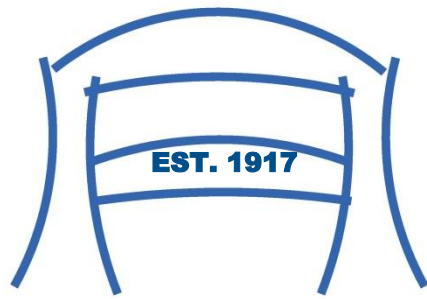
Depot Invoice

An invoice still has not been received for the event from 2018. This is an ongoing issue, which the board is working out.

Speakers:

A speaker hasn't been found for the March member luncheon. There was discussion of having a round table event as was suggested in the Past President's meeting.

There was a discussion on this and it was agreed this is a possibility and we will continue to pursue a speaker for the March luncheon. Joe may send out an e-mail asking for discussion topic items if we pursue the round table.



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ASCE Duluth Section Board Meeting Minutes - continued

Upcoming Chapter Luncheon Speakers:

March:

April:

May: ASCE National Officer – TBD (Unconfirmed)

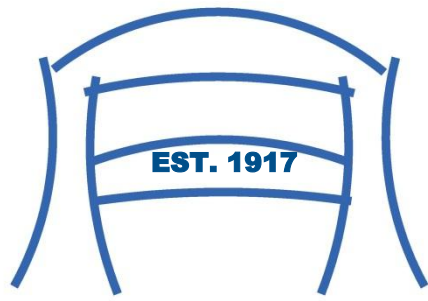
Joe Butler mentioned that Braun may be able to provide a speaker to discuss special inspections.

Newsletter Update:

Submissions for the March newsletter to be made to Rose Henkel by March 3rd.

Ongoing Business:

1. Brett to provide sponsorship letter for the next newsletter. It was agreed that sponsorship will run from August to May.
2. Radisson Contract – there was no update on this matter. Andrew Kilpo is working on this.
3. Scholarships close in March. In the future advertisement of the scholarships will be sent in e-mail to the students.
4. A new membership list has been provided by Tom Donofrio.
5. Mentoring – tabled until May.
6. Nametags to be blank and filled out by members at the luncheon.
7. Engagement of membership – this item was tabled.
8. Washington DC fly in meeting – Craig Bursch will be attending this.
9. Annual meeting/ dinner. A motion was made by Pete Demshar and seconded by Andrew Kilpo to repeat the event format from last year. The motion passed unanimously.
10. Icebreaker to encourage more member interaction and mingling – this was tabled.
11. Joe Butler described how he was not able to fly to Dallas due to bad weather for the multi-region event and was going to have to cover the cost of air fare himself, because both ASCE and the airlines refused to cover/ reimburse these costs. Andrew Barnebey made a motion, seconded by Pete Demshar, that the local chapter should reimburse Joe for his travel expenses. The motion passed unanimously.
12. The matrix was reviewed and it appears we are on track.
13. Past Presidents Meeting action items:
 - Round Table Discussion at membership meeting to be discussed.
 - Revise board seat commitment period to be discussed.
 - Invitation list to be prepared to invite to dinner event.



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ASCE Duluth Section Board Meeting Minutes - continued

New Business:

There was no new business.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, March January 27th, 2019

Meeting adjourned: Motion was made by Andrew Barnebey and seconded by Tom DesMarais to adjourn the meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.

YMG Update

Duluth Section Younger Member Group

March 2019

The YMG Rundown

PE Exam preparation sessions are underway. We have a recurring Tuesday evening time slot where we get together and work through practice problems for the exam. It is a great opportunity to prepare with engineers from other disciplines. Please reach out to Pete Demshar or Ben Helmer for more information.

The Annual curling event was hosted at the Superior Curling Club on Saturday February 16th. About 16 attendees enjoyed a few hours of curling, lunch, and talks about current and upcoming YMG events.

The next event will be a skiing trip to Mount Du Lac. The date is to be determined. If you are interested, please reach out to the YMG Board (contacts listed to the right). It should be a fun networking opportunity while getting outside and enjoying the copious amount of snow we've received this winter!!

This spring we are also planning to tour the Thomson Hydro facility. Even if you don't fall in the "younger member" category, you are welcome to attend. We appreciate having multiple perspectives from engineers during tours.

Upcoming Events

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MDL Skiing Event

- March

Tour of Thomson Hydro Station

- Early Spring (date to follow)

YMG Barbeque

- Spring (date/location to follow)

Like the YMG FB Page!

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ASCE Duluth Section Clothing Order Form



Name: _____

Email: _____

<u>Item</u>	<u>Shirt Color</u>	<u>Logo Color</u>	<u>Select Size (\$-XL; 2XL+\$2.00; 3XL+\$3.00)</u>	
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 payment when submitting form)**

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Check made out to **ASCE Duluth Section**

For Cash or Check: Mail completed form and cash/check to Randy Paul at 325 S Lake Ave, Suite 700, Duluth, MN 55802

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Paypal: Send payment amount to the **ASCEDuluth@yahoo.com** Paypal account, include items ordered in notes. Email completed order form to **ymg.asce.duluth@gmail.com**

All clothing will be embroidered with the ASCE Duluth Section Logo (located at top of order form), excluding 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**

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We want to thank you for supporting The Duluth Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers in the past. Your sponsorship helps fund several programs that are specific to the Duluth Section. The first being our toothpick bridge competition. This program helps promote civil engineering at a young age, which is vital to the future of our profession. The second program is our annual scholarships to civil engineering and civil engineering technology students. Your sponsorship helps our local ASCE section to promote these valuable activities. That is why it is time again for us to ask you to renew your sponsorship, or consider a new sponsorship for 2019-2020. Our membership is comprised of engineers from a diverse range of companies (engineering, construction and geotechnical, etc.). We are very proud to showcase your company logo on our sponsor page.

With a contribution of \$200, your company's logo will be displayed in each section newsletter from September 2019 through August of 2020. Our newsletter is produced 9 months of the year and reaches all of our 250+ members. Your support also aids the Duluth ASCE Section's efforts to keep the civil engineering community actively involved through technical presentations and networking luncheons, social activities, and student outreach activities.

If you would like to renew your sponsorship or become a sponsor, please send a check payable to **ASCE - Duluth Section** to the section treasurer:

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New sponsors, email your company logo to the Vice President and newsletter editor, Rose Henkel, PE, at: rhenkel@sehinc.com

Sincerely,
The Duluth Section Board of Directors

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 1st 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 20th 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) _____

TELEPHONE NO. _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

**DULUTH SECTION MEMBER THAT YOU ARE RELATED TO
(OR YOUR NAME AND NUMBER):**

NAME: _____

MEMBERSHIP NO. _____

Please include your resume (your resume should address academic performance, volunteer service, work experience, and other information that you feel could be helpful in making our decision).

BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR GOALS FOR THE FIRST FIVE YEARS AFTER GRADUATION:

Return to: ASCE Duluth Section Secretary by March 20th:
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