

ASCE Ithaca board meeting Minutes - 5pm January 13, 2021  
Video call-Zoom

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Attendees: Ben Girtain Plowe, Beth Ann Smith, Andy Avery, Jerry Stedinger, Dave Kennicutt

Quorum of 6?

Designate minutes taker for today:

Approve last meeting minutes 8/12/20 & 10/8/20, 11/18/20

Officer Updates

- Treasury update- (Dave H) –
- Website/ newsletter - (Dave K), see latest newsletter
- Region 1/NYS Council (Dave K), -next meeting 1/21 at 12:00
- Estate of Winslow T. Sherman paperwork (Dave H) – Paperwork has been submitted.
- ASCE Champion Membership Data (Dave K/Scott F/Leslie B?)
- update 2021 board roster (Ben GP/all)-need send update to ASCE
- Section annual report due. completed 1/11/21 (Ben GP)
- Andy expressed interest in getting involved in government relations. Beth Ann suggested a first step – become a key contact.

Upcoming events to plan

- the National Society of Professional Engineers - NY, Broome Chapter, has opened nominations for “Engineer of the Year” and/or “Young Engineer of the Year”. The age requirement for Young Engineer of the Year is 35 years or younger. This is an opportunity to recognize an engineer, PE or EIT, for their hard work and accomplishments. Award winners will be recognized at an online event integrated into Binghamton University’s Engineers Week – “Virtual Alumni & Friends Networking Night”, which will be held on Thursday, February 25, 2021. The nomination deadline is February 2, 2021. ASCE members are eligible for these awards. Dave K. will provide information on this event in the next newsletter.
- Capitol District’s Engineers Week virtual conference to be held in February 2021; it may be of interest to our membership.
- Discuss future events virtual. PDH approvals -need 3 month lead time?
- Ithaca/Lansing Think the World Eco Club looking for help bridge competition: if interested, please email Lisa Scanlon at [lisascanlon04@gmail.com](mailto:lisascanlon04@gmail.com).
- Virtual Event panel discuss COVID and local engineering firms how coping/ how things are going? (Kelly?)
- MRLC- Dave K and Scott F interested in next year June 10-12, 2021 Charlotte, NC.

-Cornell Resume Review Fall 2021 TBD? – needs at least month lead time. Discuss new event champion in future.

-Recruit new board members for vacancies, eg. VP, president elect (BethAnn/Bill/Lynne) need get a list of active local members and Scott will send an email that includes a flier that Dave K will generate. Dave K will generate a flier and send to us. Scott will reach out to local government engineers and try and get new members. Was sent out. Waiting for responses. Need to update 2021 officers roster. Need generate contact list phone/email for Leslie to make individual contacts.

-Other ideas? Virtual Tour and then have a presentation over Zoom?

- Tour of Unilam in Unadilla (Dave K/Sallie V)
- Tour of the new Ithaca Water Treatment plant (Lynne Y/ Scott F)
- Tour of new Cornell Vet school building (Scott F)
- Tour/presentation of the rehabilitated Corning Truss Bridge (Dave K)
- Presentation of the NYSDOT I-81/Route 17 interchange project

- Items to include in the next newsletter include: Upcoming meetings, NYS Council meeting date/time, Region 1 Spring Assembly date/time, June MLRC is probably going to be a virtual event.

Next Meeting – March 10

(scheduling board meetings on 2nd Wednesday of odd months at 5pm in the next year, so dates 1/13, 3/10, 5/12, 7/14, 9/8, and 11/10.)

Post date/time on website

Email/newsletter call-in to members

Event Ideas Archive for Post-COVID

-Volunteer/pdh Cornell university botanic gardens bioretention cleanup (David H) early November date? Dave H will pass along date when schedule is established. Student chapter involvement is recommended. -Postpone due to COVID

-Norwich Classic Car Museum (Dave K) -postponed due to COVID

-Curling (Dave H). spoke to the president of the curling club and the venue is in good shape. Recently curling club was unresponsive. Dave is investigating. Set goal event date. The Learn to Curls event info is at <https://fingerlakescurling.org/learntocurl/> Invite students.