

**DRAFT Connecticut Society of Civil Engineers Section of American Society of Civil Engineers (CSCE) Board Virtual Meeting via Teams
June 20, 2025 – 12 p.m. - Meeting Agenda**



People on call:

1. Report from Region 1 of ASCE - Region 1 Governor Geoffrey Schwartz
2. Review/Approve CSCE Board Conference Call Minutes from May Board Meeting
3. CSCE Executive Board Activities
 - 3.1 ASCE Cities of the Future Showing – coordinate a Section viewing, and encourage the Student chapters to have their own viewing on campus
 - 3.2 Treasurer: Review of 2024-25 spending, 2025-26 Budget Review
 - 3.3 Any other Board activities
4. Reports from Technical Group/Institute/Committee Chairs/Fairfield County Branch
 - 4.1 2026 CSCE Infrastructure Report Card
 - 4.2 Need leaders/contact persons for Career Guidance Committee, Continuing Education Committee, Legislative Affairs Committee, Membership Committee, Past President's Council, Programs Committee, and Website Committee
 - 4.3 Any other reports from these groups
5. 2025-2026 CSCE In-Person Monthly Meetings:

Major holidays: Rosh Hashanah: September 22-24, Yom Kippur: October 1-2, Hanukkah: December 14-22, Ramadan: February 17 - March 28 Ash Wednesday: February 18, Easter: April 5

Dates	Topic	Sponsor	Location
September			
October			
November 18			Quinnipiac Univ. (in MNH-105 room)
December			
January			
February			
March			
April			
May TBD, 2026	ACE Awards	CSCE	
DATE 2026	CSCE-ITE Annual Golf Outing	CSCE – ITE	

Meeting Locations:

School	Classes Begin/End	Spring Break	Notes
CT State Three Rivers/Mohegan Sun	8/27-12/15/25 1/23-5/18/26	3/16-3/22/26	
CCSU	8/26-12/14/25 1/21-5/17/26	3/16-3/22/26	Pres Holiday Recess 2/13-16
Quinnipiac Univ. (in MNH-105 room)	8/25-12/13/25 1/20-5/8/26	3/9-3/14/26	
USCGA	8/25-12/18/25 1/12-4/29/26	3/7-15/26	

UConn (Does CSCE want to have the meeting at the Graduate Hotel, the Alumni Center or somewhere else near campus?)	8/25-12/14/25 1/20-5/9/26	3/15-3/22/26	
Univ. of Hartford	8/25-12/17/25 1/21-5/13/26	3/14-3/22/26	
Univ. of New Haven	8/25-12/17/25 1/21-5/13/26	3/8-3/15/26	Fall break: 10/20-10/21

5.1 Ways to Offset Costs of Dinner Meetings:

- Offering full tables at dinner meetings to companies – Idea: \$650 for Table of 10
- Would existing meeting sponsorships be more popular if they included 1 person's registration in each of them?
- No alcohol would save on bartender & alcohol costs

5.2 Speakers/Topics suggested from events in 2024-25:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Local" construction projects of interest, tied with a field trip can work. ASCE adopted a new Strategic Plan and is going through implementing enhancements to the organization to implement the Strategic Plan. This might be an interesting topic. • A speaker from the academic community. Maybe the dean of one of the colleges of engineering, or someone like that. • Advanced site characterization • Anything having to do with the evolution of our craft on this continent. • CFA or helical piles • Community service opportunities through ASCE • Construction Management • Construction Topics • Dam Safety and/or a similar presentation about the state of the CT DEEP might be interesting topics. • Design and construction of trestles or marine access platforms • Design/construction case studies • Forensic studies • Ground improvement • Helical drilled foundation piles design and construction • Hiring, talent pooling and building teams 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historical structures • How Geotechnical Engineers helped (or didn't) your project. Case studies and stories from clients. • Implementation of Design-Build projects in Connecticut • Local presenters • Monthly meetings preceded by field and site visits would be welcome -- basalt quarries, pre-cast plants, job sites, etc. • More bridges • More practical municipal and water related projects • More water topics • One of our senators • Road diets in CT (Joe Balskus from VHB can arrange speakers) • Roadway Safety or Safety Conscious Planning • Roundabouts in CT by CTDOT roundabout committee • Safe Routes to School by CTDOT and municipalities • State Pier Soils Presentation • STEM outreach initiatives/best practices • Topics that are related to CTDOT engineering bulletins • Transportation Orientation Development (TOD) in CT by CTDOT • Trenchless technologies
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5.3 August – Promotional Postcard Mailing of 2025-26 Meetings/Events - do this again?

5.4 Social Media - To help connect with CSCE members since many companies/schools block CSCE emails, do you think CSCE could start an Instagram account?

5.5 CSCE Board Meeting Dates? 3rd Friday of the month at Noon via Teams? Any in-person Board meetings before dinner meetings?

5.6 Hold dinner meetings on the evening before some annual events (see list below)?

6. Annual Events

6.1 ACE Awards (need 2026 date), 9/26 - GEO-CT Conference, 11/7 - SEI-CT Seminar, April - Geotechnical Seminar, Co-Sponsor Floodplain Management Conference in November?

6.2 Annual Sponsors of CSCE for 2025-26 – IGS and Seaboard Drilling so far

7. Potential Collaborations and Webinar Topics

7.1 Collaborations

- Coastal Resiliency - Connecticut Association of Flood Managers (CAFM) – need info on their annual conference date, in 2024, their conference was held on 11/13/24
- 2026 or 2027 - CTDOT Transportation Innovation Conference? – The 2025 MassDOT Transportation Innovation Conference was on May 6 & 7 at the DCU Center in Worcester (<https://www.umasstransportationcenter.org/assnfe/ev.asp?ID=5752>). CSCE representatives could attend the 2026 MassDOT conference to see if a CTDOT conference would be worthwhile and if CSCE could collaborate with other CT based engineering-related organizations to help manage the event.
- Habitat for Humanity volunteer opportunity

7.2 Webinar Topics

- Sustainability – Greenwave – virtual mtg on sustainable ocean farming in Branford CT, see greenwave.org
- Multi-modal Transportation – virtual mtg - BikeWalk CT, ConnDOT Community Connectivity Program
- Water Infrastructure - New England Water Environment Association
- Construction – virtual mtg - United Precast / National Precast Concrete Association of America
- Diversity - Women in Engineering/ WTS
- Technology – ITS

8. Open Discussion