



Emerging Professionals Committee
May 20, 2024 | 11:30am – 12:30pm | Virtual
Minutes

Participants:

Jessica Splittgerber, Exp, Committee Chair
Cassie Coopman, Mead & Hunt
Bradley Domasky, KL Engineering
Dylan Douglas, JT Engineering
Brennen Fischer, Ruekert/Mielke
Brian Genskow, SRF
Dustin Hunt, HNTB

Amanda Inman, Ayres
Joe Komorowski, GRAEF
Athena Kuhl, Kapur
Harry Tran, EMCS
Steve Wurster, Ruekert/Mielke, Board Liaison
Andrew Heidtke, ACEC Wisconsin
Kelly Veit, ACEC Wisconsin

1. Call to Order & Housekeeping
 - a. Request Note Taker - Athena
 - b. Agenda Overview – Added a Kids Building Wisconsin post-event update.
 - c. [Conflict of Interest](#) – No conflicts of interest noted.
 - d. Review and approve [April 17, 2024 Minutes](#). Cassie motion to approve meeting minutes as written. Motion carries.

2. Kids Building Wisconsin Debrief
 - a. The committee previously expressed interest in supporting the event by volunteering in some capacity. It was determined the organization doesn't have the current bandwidth and strategic support for the effort in 2024.
 - b. The event was held Saturday, May 18th. Organizers estimate 10K attendees.
 - c. Seven member firms had exhibit booths. Great engineering representation.
 - i. Five firms received 250 Engineers Make It Happen stickers and an ACEC Wisconsin member/STEM Resources sign to display.
 - ii. Two firms added late did not receive the resources.
 - d. Anyone with questions about the event or future involvement can reach out to Dylan Douglas.

3. Diversity & Inclusion Moment (Kelly)
[Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month](#)

4. Committee Representative Updates
 - a. Upcoming Meetings:
 - i. DFD Planning Meeting – May 29th
 1. Attendee: Dylan Douglas
 - ii. Water Committee – May 30th
 1. Attendee: Brennen Fischer
 - iii. Marketing & Communication Committee – May 31st



1. Attendees: Jessica, Cassie, Athena
 - iv. TLC – Appointed committee.
 - v. Civil 3D Workshop Planning Committee – June 5th
 1. Attendees: Nick Pehler, Brad Domasky, Jessica Splittergerber
 - vi. TSC Partnering Meeting – June 11th
 1. Attendee: Brian Genskow
 2. TSC would like a defined EP point person.
 1. EP Committee has recurring agenda time. June meeting will cover, how the EP session at the TIC went and the June golf/social event. Will be able to present on other things if anyone else would like to add or attendee to update.
 - b. Goal is to rotate EP Committee representation to the various committees, when possible, to increase the exposure to other groups.
5. Political Giving - [Donate to the ACEC Wisconsin PAC](#)
- a. The Board of Directors set political giving goals aimed at increasing the funds and people contributing.
 - b. Politics and the engineering business are intertwined. Political giving is a necessary part of the process in Wisconsin and nationally.
 - c. Ways to participate:
 - i. Conduit Fund
 1. Requires contributor authorization to release.
 2. Payroll deduction or personal check
 - ii. PAC
 1. Contribute to ACEC Wisconsin and we do the rest.
 2. Payroll deduction, personal check, or credit card
 - iii. National PAC
 - iv. ACEC Wisconsin also has a Corporate PAC
 - d. ACEC Wisconsin is doing in-office presentations outlining the political process and the importance of political giving. Contact the team if your company is interested in a presentation.
6. Past Event – Awards Banquet
- a. Congratulations to Brennen for being named the 2024 Young Professional of the Year!
7. Upcoming ACEC Wisconsin Events
- a. [Annual Meeting – May 22nd](#)
 - b. [TSC Partnering Meeting – June 11th](#)
 - c. [HR Forum – June 12th](#)
 - d. EP In-Person Meeting – June 25th
 - i. 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM @ Ayres
 1. Collaboration with the Energy Committee from 2:30-3:00pm.



2. Think of opportunities to work together with Energy Committee or other committees. Share ideas with Jessica.
- ii. [4:30 PM – 6:30 PM @ PinSeekers](#)
 1. **Action:** Share the event invite with your co-workers and industry friends! RSVP at the link above.
- e. Annual Golf Outing – September 5th
 - i. Look to have EPs host another hole game at the 2024 outing. Volunteers needed.
 - ii. Pursue hole game hosting with other committees.
8. Next Meeting – June 25 (see above)
 - a. **Action:** Reevaluate the recurring meeting date/time to determine if this still works best for the group.
9. Adjourn

[Committee Structure Reference Item](#)