



Bi-Annual Group Meeting – Minutes

Date/Time: Tuesday, May 26, 2020, 3:00 - 4:00 PM EDT

Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81075762448?pwd=Z1p0RHl1aVVnWdVxTXFCbDk4ODZvUT09>

Meeting ID: 810 7576 2448

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Meeting Attendees:

John Atkins

Ross Brown/Dam Safety

Alison Fitzgerald

Anthony Moritz

Carmen Soller

David Caouette

Edisson Ortega

Emily Keck

John Beitel

Kevin Grim

Katelyn Riley

Margaret Provencher

Ryan Pickett

Skylar Nieser

Patrick Miles

Brandon Little

Nicole

Ryan

For additional information/details, please see presentations slides.

I. Introductions

II. Background and Structure of YP Interest Group

III. Report on Recent Activities

a. YP of the Year Nomination

- i. Six nominations received (most to date).
- ii. Co-chairs, assigned staff member, and board member liaison responsible for selection.
- iii. Winner will be announced during 2020 Annual Conference.

IV. Update on Subgroup Initiatives/Leadership

a. Changes in the Interest Group

- i. “Official” subgroup/subcommittee leadership positions being dissolved to encourage additional involvement/responsibility sharing.
- ii. Initiatives and volunteer opportunities for committees and/or tasks will be posted to Collaborate as the need arises.
- iii. YP Members should also approach Chairs with their own ideas.



- b. In accordance with the group's leadership transition structure, Kate will step down from the Co-Chair position in Fall 2020.
- c. Nominations (self or for others) for the Co-Chair position will be collected on Collaborate. Volunteer post for nominations will be available the week of 6/1.

V. Upcoming Activities/Opportunities

- a. Dam Safety 2020 – September 20-24, 2020 in Palm Springs, CA
 - i. ASDSO looking into different options for 2020 conference.
 - ii. Hybrid (In-Person/Virtual), Completely Virtual, Etc.
 - iii. ASDSO Staff/Board to formulate plan for conference facilitation in June
- b. Southeast Regional Conference – December 6-10, 2020 Charleston, SC
- c. YP Leadership Opportunities
 - i. Webinar Moderators
 - 1. YP representatives to moderate webinars through 2020.
 - 2. Representatives already identified.
 - ii. Committee Liasons
 - 1. Informal "Committee Liasons" to act as connection between each ASDSO committee could encourage YP participation in committees and knowledge of volunteer opportunities.
 - 2. Committee summaries: <https://www.damsafety.org/VolunteerOpps>
 - iii. Lightning Talks
 - 1. Talk of YP being responsible for moderating Lightning Talks during 2020 conference
 - 2. Responsibilities:
 - a. Moderating sessions.
 - b. Reviewing posters/papers.
 - 3. Will be posted to Collaborate requesting volunteers when details are determined.
- d. Collaborate
 - i. Will be posting volunteer opportunities/initiatives here.
 - ii. Casual communication encouraged.
- e. Update from ASDSO Staff (Ross)
 - i. Dam Safety Resource Database
 - 1. Members can search and download references.
 - 2. <https://www.damsafety.org/references/search>
 - ii. Dam Safety Incident Database
 - 1. Failure and incident compendium
 - 2. <https://www.damsafety.org/incidents>
 - iii. Northeast Regional Conference – June 2021 (Portland, ME)

VI. Q&A/Brainstorm Period

- a. Mentoring
 - i. Formal mentoring program (Skylar)
 - ii. Use of Collaborate for mentoring (Cory)

VII. Review Action Items

VIII. Next Group Meeting (September 2020 – Palm Springs, CA and online)

