

The *Region 2 News* is intended to empower Region 2 members with news and connections across the Region, Society, and industry.

Hello Region 2!

By Jack Raudenbush, P.E., F.ASCE, Region 2 Director

Civil Engineers should not want for activity these days! Besides the investments now planned from the massive Infrastructure Bill, we can see continued investments in our locally owned facilities and private ventures creating new buildings in our urban and suburban areas. Of course, ASCE has an imprint on each of these such as advocating for the bipartisan infrastructure bill, meeting with legislators at the annual Fly-In in Washington DC, and advancing smart design through its On-line Course - Making the Case for Sustainable Infrastructure.

On 2.22.22 during Engineers Week, ASCE unveiled the next chapter in its extraordinary undertaking of Future World Vision – Mega City 2070. (www.futureworldvision.org). This exciting visual experience will continue to expand with a VR experience in April 2022 and up until it's culmination with an IMAX production in 2023.



TN State Capital (1859). One of the first structural iron roof trusses.

During our March 5-6, 2022 ASCE Board of Direction meeting in Washington DC, the following highlights were discussed:

- We continued to guide the development of Future World Vision. This is one of the most exciting undertakings by the Society since Dream Big.
- We received a presentation about a new publication regarding professional service agreements titled “Agreement Basics” as authored by the Committee on Claims Reduction and Management. This is an excellent document and is available through ASCE publications.
- ASCE began a Digital Strategy program to address web-based and IT items including the user experience in the Join Renewal processes as well as E-Commerce. The Strategy will look at Personify, business analytics and Cyber Security to improve ASCE’s digital programs and platforms.

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Meet your Governors

The [Region 2 Board of Governors](#) meets monthly.

Lauren Dziagwa, P.E., M.ASCE

Greg Kuklinski, P.E., M.ASCE

Angela Mayer, E.I.T., AM.ASCE

Joseph Natale, P.E., M.ASCE

Carrie Nicholson, P.E., M.ASCE

Joe Platt, P.E., M.ASCE

Jack Raudenbush, P.E., F.ASCE (*Director*)

Patrick Sullivan, P.E., M.ASCE

Nancy Berson, Aff.M.ASCE (*Staff Contact*)

Visit [Region 2 online](#) for information about the board, events, and awards as well as other useful resources.

Governor Close Up Meet Angela Mayer, EIT, AM.ASCE



Meet Angela. She does great things.

What I like about being Governor by Angela Mayer:

As Region 2 Governors one of our responsibilities is to foster communication between ASCE National and the Region’s Sections. Personally, I enjoy acting as a liaison to effectively communicate members’ wants to the Board of Direction and then communicate decisions the Board has made to members. I also take pleasure in listening to the needs of Region 2 members, to assist in finding innovative solutions to meet their expectations. I hope by fostering membership engagement and generating enthusiasm at each level of ASCE, this will help bring together each Branch, Section, Younger Member group, and student chapter to benefit from each other’s experiences and ASCE.

To learn more about Angela and your other Governors, visit the [website](#).

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- The Task Committee on Resolving Certification provided a report that investigated the status of certifications related to Civil Engineering. It recommended that a strategy be provided to the Board of Direction later this year that addresses the direction of this program.
- The highlights of the Membership report identified consistent numbers in our various member levels, along with slightly improved renewal rates. Efforts will focus on improving retention rates.
- Similar to the Membership Report, the Treasurer's Report indicated that we are tracking close to last year's financials. Compared to pre-pandemic values, ASCE's expenses and revenue have decreased.

Get involved with your local Sections and Branches, Younger Member Group(s), and Institutes. Your career will benefit and you will, no doubt, enjoy the personal relationships that you build. Of course, remember to visit ASCE Historic Civil Engineering Landmarks on your travels. These 200+ landmarks recognize astonishing buildings, structures, and utilities which were designed by extraordinary civil engineers of the past.

Regards,
Jack

Younger Member Advisory Group

By Lauren Dziagwa, P.E., M.ASCE, Region 2 Governor



The Region 2 Younger Member Advisory Group (YMAG) comprises Region 2 Section and Branch Younger Member Group Presidents/Chairs to communicate between the Region/Society level and the Section level of ASCE. The group meets quarterly virtually to discuss Region and Section activities and to share information and advice among the group. The last meeting was held January 27, 2022 and the meeting attendees summarized their recent events and discussed upcoming events. Advice and feedback were provided regarding transitioning events from virtual format to in-person format. The group will meet again in April. A virtual Region 2 Younger Member game night is being planned for the near future as well.

Region 2 is Award Winning! Proof:

Region 2 individuals won six awards in 2021.

Congratulations to Region 2 member John I. Messner, Ph.D for being awarded the 2022 Computing in Civil Engineering Award for his role in "the advancement of Building Information Modeling research, development of guides and standards for BIM implementation in the construction industry worldwide and mentoring of students and junior researchers in the field of computing in civil engineering."

Nomination deadlines vary for [Society awards](#).

The deadline for [Region 2 awards'](#) nominations was April 1. For information checkout the [Region 2 website](#). Award winners will be highlighted here and online.

CE in the News

ASCE Hails Passage of Infrastructure Bill.

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act provides nearly \$550 billion in new federal spending. Check out ASCE's one-stop shop for understanding and tracking implementation of the bipartisan infrastructure law at the [IIJA Implementation Resource Center](#).

On March 3, 2022, 20 members of ASCE's Region 2 met with 15 of their members of Congress during [ASCE's Legislative Fly-In](#).

Upcoming Events



Learn, network, and explore content on state-of-the-practice professional development at [ASCE Week](#) held March 20-25, 2022 in Orlando Florida. [Register here](#).

Eastern Region Younger Member Conference will be held June 10-12, 2022 in Hartford, Connecticut.

Section and Branch Leadership Reports are due September 1, 2022.

[ASCE 2022 Convention](#) will be held in Anaheim, California, October 23-26, 2022. Follow updates [online](#).

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Recent Events

Mid-Atlantic East Student Symposium was held at Johns Hopkins and Morgan State Universities, April 9-10, 2022.

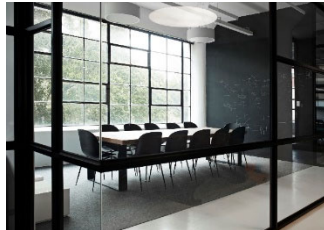
Mid-Atlantic West Student Symposium was held at the University of Pittsburgh, April 7-8, 2022.

Details about Student Symposia will be in the next News.

MRLC held February 9-11, 2022

By Joe Natale, P.E., M.ASCE, Region 2 Governor

The **Multi-Region Leadership Conference** was held virtually, February 9-11, 2022. It comprised group and breakout sessions on Leader Training Committee resources, communication styles, Collaborate, ASCE Foundation, engineering ethics, legal issues, government relations, Younger Member engagement, and membership as well as best practices discussions on communication, K-12 and college virtual outreach, returning to normalcy, reaching out to legislators, and institute interfacing with geographic groups at ASCE.



Region 2 Assembly on Nov. 13, 2021

By Joe Platt, P.E., M.ASCE, Region 2 Governor

On Saturday November 13, 2021, students and other members of Region 2 gathered (virtually) for the annual **Region 2 Assembly**, hosted by the University of Maryland's ASCE Student Chapter. This day long Assembly, attended by approximately 70 members of the Region, presented opportunities to learn about ASCE's Future World Vision, to hear from members of MOSAIC and the Leadership Training Committee as well as from then newly installed ASCE President Dennis Truax. In addition to hearing from ASCE's leadership, in line with the theme of the Assembly – **Engineering a Sustainable Future** – attendees heard presentations from local experts focused on energy and sustainability. Throughout the day, numerous breakout sessions were held to allow the students and members to interact with one another, to catch up with friends and make new ones. Special thanks go to the students and faculty of the University of Maryland for putting on an enlightening program for the Region – Thank you!

Stay tuned to the [Region 2 website](#) for additional Region-sponsored events and content.

Region 2 abbreviated infographic with hyperlinks

