

President's Message: Passing of the Gavel

May 31, 2022

Members,

As the unofficial start of summer nears, ASCE Pittsburgh Section Board Member terms come to a close. At the beginning of this month I presided over the last board meeting of my term which was immediately followed by our 2022 Past Presidents' Luncheon. We had a great turn out with 15 Past Presidents in attendance; including Mr. Anthony (Tony) DiGioia who was celebrating his presidency's golden anniversary. It was very inspiring to enjoy conversation and lunch with the former presidents, hearing stores of advancements they and other ASCE members were a part of over the years.



Past Presidents who attended lunch



Tony DiGioia sharing a few words of reflection

Following lunch I recognized our board members whose three year term on the board had come to a close; Lauren Dziagwa, PE; Tim Prevost, PE; and Bill Trimbath, PE. Lauren has been a steady support to the younger members, University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown students, and the outreach committee throughout her section board term. Tim and Bill worked together to take a deep dive into understanding and organizing the section's membership during their terms, creating action plans for the membership committee for years to come, and making an effort to reach out to government employees and leaders in our membership and region.



Though Bill Trimbath's board term came to a close, he is joining the Section's executive board as the President Elect. During the Luncheon, I swore in Bill and the other nominated board members into office. The incoming board members are Greg Holbrook, PE (not pictured); Dan Philips, PE; and Shirley Tang, PE. All three of this year's incoming board members are well known to our membership due to their previous institute and committee leadership roles and I'm looking forward to their input these coming years.

Now just as I passed on the gavel to incoming Section President Tom Batronay, I pass this and future president messages on to him as well. I have enjoyed writing these Section updates throughout my term and was encouraged to see above average open rates on these emails! Although the

active ASCE event season is coming to a close, don't forget about the trainings, publications, and news that ASCE offers to you every day.

Thank you for your support,

Erin

