

GAWP Young Professionals Meeting Agenda

Thursday, September 5th, 2019

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Priorities for 2019/2020:
 - a. Vision Statement: To be the catalyst that allows Young Professionals to grow professionally while cultivating long-standing relationships that will make significant impacts in both their personal and professional lives.
 - b. Mission Statement: The Young Professionals committee promotes the objectives of the Association to Young Professionals new to the industry and coordinating with the Association's student chapter(s). The YP committee is to be a resource for young professionals and students in the water industry, helping them with opportunities to develop professionally by getting involved in other Association committees, civically by promoting volunteer efforts within the Association, and socially by sponsoring a number of networking events throughout the year. The membership is comprised of young professionals from municipalities, industries, regulatory agencies, and consulting firms as well as students from various universities. As a group, the YP committee is committed to growing upcoming leaders in our profession and to help them embrace and cultivate the future of the water industry.
 - c. Goals:
 - i. Goal setting discussion
 - ii. What would we like to accomplish in the upcoming year?
 - d. Meetings
 - i. Types of meetings (plant tours, site visits, gurus, planning meetings, etc.)
 - e. Committee Planning Form
 - i. Due September 30th
 - ii. Budget of \$250
 - iii. Sponsored Events
3. Succession Planning – Nominations for 2019/2020 YP Committee Leadership:
 - a. Co-Chair – **Leon Hendee (Peoples & Quigley)**
 - b. Program Committee Liaison – Person would be the YP liaison for the Program Committee. This person would take the responsibility on securing tracks at each conference for the YPs to present or co-present. Person would need to join the Program Committee. – **Leigh Jester (HDR)**
 - i. ***Fall Conference: Athens, GA, November 19th & 20th***
 - c. Publications Sub-Committee Chair – Person would be responsible for writing or tasking someone to write an article for the GAWP News and Notes publication (comes out once every two months) and writing or tasking someone to write an article for the Georgia Operator (once a quarter). – **John Schneider (Freese and Nichols)**
4. Other committees and volunteer opportunities
 - a. WEF Student Design Competition – **Bernadette Drouhard (Black & Veatch)**
 - b. Distribution Systems Committee
 - i. The GAWP/GAWWA Distribution Systems Committee is looking for volunteer inspectors for its annual Distribution System Excellence Award.
 - ii. First week of October

- iii. Instructions to sign up and information about the award process:
https://www.gawp.org/members/group_content_view.asp?group=113917&id=684501
 - iv. Contact Spencer.Adams@gwinnettcountry.com with questions
 - c. GAWP First Annual Chattahoochee Headwaters Pilgrimage and Wine Tasting
 - i. October 12th
 - ii. Hiking trip to the mountain spring that is the origin of the Chattahoochee River
 - iii. Register on the GAWP website:
https://www.gawp.org/event/2019_Hike_and_Wine
- 5. Closing Topics
 - a. Emails will be coming from Susana Lanier (slanier@gawp.org) through the GAWP website on behalf of committee leadership
 - b. View meeting agenda on group page
- 6. Selection of Next Meeting/Social
 - a. October – Social: Imagine a Day without Water – **Maya Goldman (Hazen) & Leigh Jester**
 - b. November – Volunteer Opportunity or Guru Talk
 - i. Student outreach
 - ii. Tree planting
 - iii. Rivers Alive
 - iv. HandsOn Atlanta
 - c. December – Holiday Networking Social