

# 2023 Junior Board INFORMATION PACKET



# **ABOUT THE ACEC JUNIOR BOARD**

#### The Junior Board's Mission:

The ACEC Georgia Board is a group of young engineering industry professionals who are eager to get more involved in the business side of engineering, engage in ACEC Georgia, and expand their networks through social, educational, and volunteer opportunities.

#### The Junior Board will have 5 Priorities:

Input and New Perspectives Professional Development Growth

Raising Brand Awareness Socializing & Networking

Volunteering

#### Input and New Perspectives:

Board members will provide feedback and bring fresh perspectives to ACEC Georgia at the monthly meetings. Each meeting will have a set agenda and the opportunity for members to provide their thoughts on engagement opportunities, Board improvements, and new ideas for ACEC Georgia to increase its value to the younger employees of its Member Firms. Board members should be prepared to engage in the meetings and provide their thoughts and ideas on how ACEC Georgia can continue to provide the best-in-class information and events for our members.

#### **Professional Development Growth:**

Serving on the Junior Board will provide you with an excellent opportunity to expand your professional development within the engineering community. There will be programs, volunteer opportunities, and networking that will allow you to grow as an individual and professional. We encourage you to take advantage of the opportunities this board will provide you.

#### **Raising Brand Awareness:**

Please be sure to follow ACEC Georgia on social media to see what events we have going on and receive news and updates. As a member of the ACEC Georgia Junior Board, you are a representative of ACEC Georgia, and we encourage you to share posts with your community and help us build our brand awareness and followers. Make sure to tag us in your posts!



https://www.facebook.com/ACECGA

https://www.instagram.com/acec.georgia/

https://www.linkedin.com/company/acec-of-georgia



www.youtube.com/ACECGeorgia



https://twitter.com/ACECGA

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#### Socializing & Networking:

Board members will plan engaging social events for the Junior Board throughout the year. These will be opportunities for Junior Board members to get to know each other better and engage with each other outside of ACEC Georgia events. Potential ideas could include scheduling a time to go to a brewery for an evening after work or meeting up with each other one-on-one for coffee. We encourage you to build relationships with your fellow Junior Board members through your term and to share information for upcoming socializing and networking opportunities via email, Slack and at the monthly meetings.

#### Volunteering:

Volunteering is going to be a big part of your services on the ACEC Georgia Junior Board. Each member is expected to volunteer to serve on at least one committee, forum, or task force. A list of all of these groups can be found in the ACEC Georgia Junior Board Handbook and on the ACEC Georgia website. You will also have opportunities to volunteer at ACEC Georgia events, such as our Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day, STEM Day, Georgia Engineering Awards, and the Georgia Transportation Summit. You must volunteer for at least two events during your term. We will be communicating all volunteer opportunities via email, Slack, and at the monthly meetings. Volunteering is a great way for you to advance your career through volunteer leadership, expand your professional network, and give back to the engineering community, so be sure to take advantage of it!

### **JUNIOR BOARD 2023 DATES**

#### Meeting Dates:

Wednesday, January 25, 2023 Wednesday, February 22, 2023 Wednesday, March 29, 2023 Wednesday, April 26, 2023 Wednesday, May 24, 2023 Wednesday, June 28, 2023 Wednesday, July 26, 2023 Wednesday, August 30, 2023 Wednesday, September 27, 2023 Wednesday, October 25, 2023 Wednesday, November 22, 2023 Wednesday, December 13, 2023

\*Starting with the January kickoff meeting, every other meeting will be in person with the other being virtual over Zoom.

Events throughout the year that Junior Board members will need to be aware of:

Thirsty Third Thursdays Young Professional Networking Events ACEC Georgia's Planning Retreat 2023 Georgia Transportation Summit

Volunteer Events:

Georgia Engineering Awards - Saturday, March 25, 2023 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Introduce a Girl to Engineering - Saturday, April 15, 2023 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

STEM Day 2023 - October 2023

\*Various volunteer events to be added throughout the year.

## **ACEC GEORGIA JUNIOR BOARD BENEFITS**

#### For Prospective Junior Board Members:

Serving on the Junior Board will provide members with an excellent opportunity to expand their professional development, build their personal network and broaden their exposure to the business side of engineering. Programs, volunteer opportunities, and networking will allow members to grow as individuals and professionals. Members will also be able to provide their insights and perspectives on various ACEC Georgia initiatives and programs. Serving on the Junior Board will also provide valuable experience that can be a stepping stone to serving in other leadership positions in the future.

Three members of the Junior Board will be designated as representatives of the Junior Board and will represent the Junior Board at ACEC Georgia Board of Directors meetings and at the ACEC Georgia Strategic Planning Retreat.

#### <u>For Firms:</u>

- Invaluable opportunity to retain your firm's up and coming talent.
- Provide younger employees with opportunities to expand their networks and get exposed to the business side of engineering.
- Allows younger employees to demonstrate their leadership potential.
- Provides your firm with a voice who can share their insights and give feedback on various ACEC Georgia initiatives and programs, ensuring that they continue to provide the highest level of value and ROI for your firm.
- Demonstrating your commitment to the professional development of your firm's next generation of leaders will enhance your ability to attract and retain top talent and help ensure the long-term success of your firm.

### ACEC GEORGIA JUNIOR BOARD REQUIREMENTS

- You must be a Georgia-based employee of an ACEC Georgia Member Firm. To check to see if your company is a member, please <u>click here</u>.
- You must be between 22 and 35 years of age.
- You must be able to commit to attend all monthly meetings, volunteer on at least one committee, forum, or task force, and volunteer for at least two ACEC Georgia events during your term.
- You must be willing to represent ACEC Georgia as you conduct your daily business, encouraging membership and participation by communicating our mission and goals within your professional network.
- You must bring a willingness to engage and provide fresh perspectives and insights at the monthly meetings.

### ACEC GEORGIA JUNIOR BOARD Structure

- The Junior Board will consist of 15 members.
- No more than one member from the same firm.
- Only Georgia-based employees of ACEC Georgia member firms will be allowed to serve.
- Each member must be between 22 and 35 years of age.
- The members of the Junior Board will be selected by the ACEC Georgia Board of Directors, after a careful review and vetting of all applicants by the ACEC Georgia staff.
- Current and former members of the ACEC Georgia Board of Directors are not eligible to serve on the Junior Board.
- Three members of the Junior Board will be designated as representatives of the Junior Board and will represent the Junior Board at ACEC Georgia Board of Directors meetings and at the ACEC Georgia Strategic Planning Retreat.
- Each member will be required to attend all monthly meetings, serve on at least one committee, forum, or task force, and volunteer for at least two ACEC Georgia events.
- Each member will be responsible for staying up to date about the Junior Board via email, Slack, and at monthly meetings.

\*It is assumed that the Board will evolve organically after it is initially established and as it proceeds with its work over the years.

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