



## CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

**Meeting Date:** Thursday, January 5, 2012

**Meeting Time:** 6:30 – 8:00 pm

**Meeting Place:** 162 Curtis Hall, Drexel University

### 1. Chapters' updates

- Rwanda
  - travelling in 1.5 weeks to do check-up on previous project
- Philippines
  - 3 teams for 3 phases by 2013
    - well drilling
    - tank construction
    - tying pipe into distribution system
  - sanitation education will follow
- El Salvador
  - tank design and construction next spring
  - will travel in sets of 2-3 people for a total of up to 6 weeks

### 2. Chapters' finances

- Overall, as a Chapter: \$59,800
- Rwanda: \$16,000
- Philippines: \$25,000, but up to \$40,000 with other donations
- El Salvador: \$5200, but up to \$25,000 with external funding

### 3. Events and Outreach

- In early February, our next outreach event will take place. Will be kept in touch through distribution list
- Drexel presentation on February 3, 2012 at 3pm. EWB will be represented. No other details provided
- Ram Jam manifest collaboration: help hosting it, manning tables and providing staff will result in sharing of funds raised with EWB-MAP. End of April, beginning of May

### 4. Constitution Changes

- Currently, EWB-MAP has about 50 official members
- Since quorum is hard to reach at chapter's meetings, our chapter relies on an executive board to take decisions, the members of which are elected
- The Chapter's Constitution will be sent out shortly. Should you have any objections, please bring them to the next meeting

### 5. Elections

- The E-Board for year 2012 is composed of the following members:
  - Walt Walker     President
  - Harry Wilson   Vice President
  - Russ Turner     Treasurer
  - Paolo Belfiore   Secretary



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**6. Featured Presentation** by Harry P. Wilson (current Vicepresident of MAP) on Water Retention and Infiltration, part of Philadelphia Water Department's Green Streets Program. Duration: 1 hour. Valid for PDH where applicable

**7. Additional Items**

● **EWB Membership**

- The problems with selecting EWB-MAP when registering for membership have been repaired. I encourage those who have not done so to consider official EWB-USA membership. If you experience any difficulties when registering online please let me know (Paolo Belfiore at [secretary@ewb-map.org](mailto:secretary@ewb-map.org) )
  
- Membership benefits include:
  - Discounts on registration to EWB-USA workshops and conferences
  - Career and resume services
  - Access to continuing education tools
  - Discounts on ASCE and ASME membership rates
  - Travel for projects (membership provides insurance necessary for travel)
  - Access to my EWB-USA member site

**\*\*\* Next Meeting**

The next EWB-MAP Chapter meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, March 1, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.** at Drexel University (162 Curtis Hall)