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Items included in this ACEC Missouri Weekly Update are listed below.

- **Upcoming Events** (*Registration Deadline Nears for ACEC/MO's Fall Meeting on November 11-12; Don't Forget to Register for ACEC/MO's Cybersecurity Webinar on November 5; Registration is Open for ACEC/MO's 2022 Future Leaders Academy*)
- **Liaison Committee News** (*Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District Liaison Committee; Missouri Department of Transportation - Southwest District Liaison Committee*)
- **Industry News** (*Now is the Time to Contribute to the State and National PAC; New RFPs/RFQs on ACEC/MO Website; Water Protection Forum Meeting Announcement; ACEC Monthly Economic Update*)
- **Member Information & Calendar** (*QBS Nominations Wanted; Deadline Nears to Submit ACEC/MO Life Member Nominations; New Member Firms Welcomed; Member News; Calendar of Events*)

If there is something you would like us to include in the weekly updates, or if you need anything else, please contact the ACEC/MO staff: [Morgan Mundell](#) or [Dawn Hill](#). We would love to hear from you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Registration Deadline Nears for ACEC/MO's Fall Meeting on November 11-12

American Council of Engineering Companies of Missouri



Make plans now to attend ACEC/MO's Fall Meeting scheduled for **November 11-12, 2021**, at The Broadway Columbia - a DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel in Columbia, MO. The theme of this meeting is *"Getting the Job Done: Workforce Development, Recruitment and Retention."*

Below is the schedule of events for the meeting as well as hotel information. All the meeting details, including speaker and hotel information, are also posted on [ACEC/MO's website](#). The deadline to register for the meeting is **Tuesday, November 2, 2021**.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2021

5:00 PM – Networking Reception

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2021

7:30 AM – Registration

HOTEL INFORMATION:

The Broadway Columbia, a DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel

1111 E. Broadway
Columbia, MO 65201
(573) 875-7000

8:00 AM – Breakfast Program: What Are Potential Employees Looking For
9:15 AM – Environmental Committee Mtg.
9:15 AM – Governmental Affairs / Transportation Joint Committee Mtg.
10:20 AM – The Future of the Engineering Pipeline Seminar (2.0 PDHs)
12:10 PM – Luncheon
1:00 PM – Board of Directors / Membership Meeting

[Hotel Website](#)

We have set up a sleeping room rate of **\$149.00++**. To make your sleeping room reservation, contact The Broadway Columbia at 573-875-7000. The deadline to reserve your sleeping room is **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021**. Our room block will be released after that date.

[Click Here for Full Schedule of Events](#)

[Click Here to Register](#)

Don't Forget to Register for ACEC/MO's Cybersecurity Webinar on November 5

ACEC/MO has scheduled a Cybersecurity Webinar for **Friday, November 5, 2021**, at **9:00 AM**. Join Christopher Walcutt, VP of Strategy for Direct Defense, for the webinar to learn what your company should be doing to protect its IT systems.



For the members that register for this webinar, we'll put you in a drawing for a \$25 gift card to the store of your choosing. To register for the webinar, click [here](#). The deadline to register is **November 2, 2021**. We'll then send out login details for the webinar.

Webinar Description: In today's digital age, the number of security incidents is increasing every year, highlighting the importance of cyber security. One report suggests that the cost of cyber security threats will rise to \$6 trillion annually by 2021, encompassing everything from damage and destruction of sensitive data, stolen money, lost productivity, theft of intellectual property, theft of personal and financial data, embezzlement, fraud, post-attack disruption to businesses, forensic investigation, restoration and deleted hacked data and systems, to name a few.

Registration is Open for ACEC/MO's 2022 Future Leaders Academy

Does your firm have a candidate for ACEC/MO's 2022 Future Leaders Academy (FLA)? Registration for the FLA program is now open. The dates for the 2022 FLA program are set for **May 4-5** in St. Charles; **June 15-16** in Independence; **July 20** via Zoom; and **August 24-25** in Osage Beach.



The FLA is an extensive leadership program for young leaders in private consulting firms committed to developing their leadership abilities. The program is most beneficial to those participants with approximately 8-15 years of industry experience. These highly interactive sessions are taught by experts in the field of business administration and people management in professional service firms.

Registration information was recently emailed out and is posted on our [website](#). To register for the 2022 FLA Program, click on the "**Register Now for ACEC/MO's 2022 Future Leaders Academy**" link below. We only have 20 spots available and already have 5 spots filled. If you want a spot in the 2022 class, please send in your registration form or contact Dawn Hill at 573-634-4080 or DawnHill@acecmo.org to hold a spot for your firm.

[Register Now for ACEC/MO's 2022 Future Leaders Academy](#)

LIAISON COMMITTEE NEWS

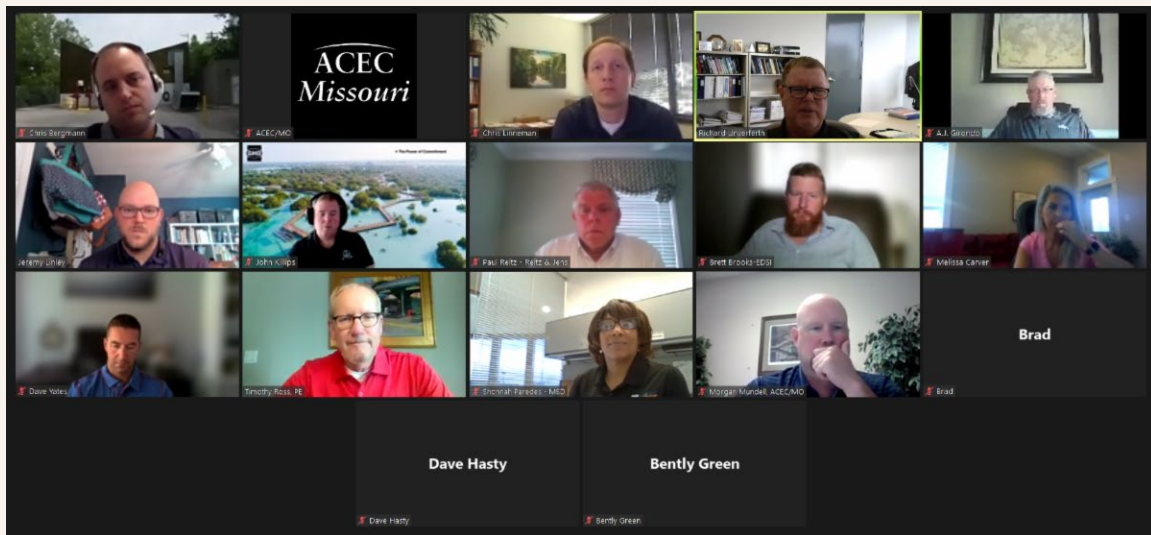
Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District Liaison Committee



The Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District / ACEC/MO Liaison Committee met on August 20, 2021. ACEC/MO committee members that attended this meeting included: Brett Brooks, Chris Bergmann, Melissa Carver, AJ Girondo, Bently Green, Dave Hasty, John Killips, Jeremy Linley, Chris Linneman, Paul Reitz, Tim Ross, and Dave Yates. In addition to the committee members, ACEC/MO had 38 other members attend the meeting. Items discussed during this meeting included:

- Disparity Study Update
- Board of Trustees Update
- COVID-19
- Update on Entrance Reconstruction Project at HQ office

The next meeting is scheduled for February 25, 2022. To see the complete minutes from this meeting, [click here](#). Go to [ACEC/MO's website](#) to see these meeting minutes as well as most recent meeting minutes.



Missouri Department of Transportation - Southwest District Liaison Committee

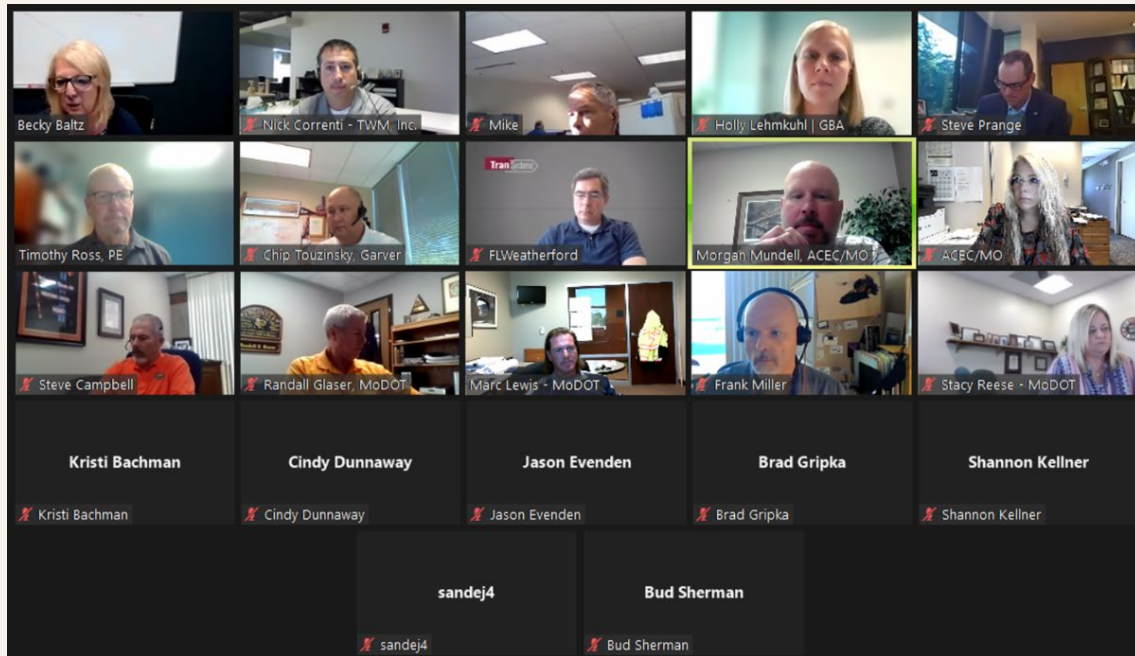


The Missouri Department of Transportation - Southwest District / ACEC/MO Liaison Committee met on September 16, 2021. ACEC/MO attendees at this meeting included: Becky Baltz, Nick Correnti, Mike Herleth, Holly Lehmkuhl, Steve Prange, Tim Ross, Chip Touzinsky, and Frank Weatherford. Items discussed during this meeting included:

- District Updates/Staffing Changes
- ACEC Updates
- MoDOT Leadership Updates / Key Initiatives
- District Staffing Resources Issues / Concerns
- Discuss Concerns of Slow Payment on Invoices

- Construction Phase Services
- Tier 1 and Tier 2 Unfunded Needs
- Upcoming Planning & Scoping Projects
- Future Design Build
- Consultant Deliverables – Quality/Areas of Improvement

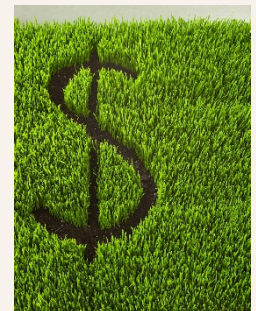
The next meeting will be scheduled for March 2022. To see the complete minutes from this meeting, [click here](#). Go to [ACEC/MO's website](#) to see these meeting minutes as well as most recent meeting minutes.



INDUSTRY NEWS

Now is the Time to Contribute to the State and National PAC

ACEC/MO is asking members to consider contributing to both the state and national PACs. The purpose of the PACs is to contribute financial support to the campaigns of elected officials who understand and support Missouri's engineering industry as well as nationally. We need to build up both PACs as we come into the 2022 General Election so we can make contributions that count. Although we've already exceeded our state PAC goal of \$25,000, we still want to continue building that PAC. We are however a ways from reaching the goal for the national PAC, which is \$23,763. Missouri members have contributed \$14,700 so far.



Our suggested contribution levels are listed below. Click [HERE](#) for more information on both the state and national PACs and how to contribute. If you have any questions, please contact the ACEC/MO office. Thanks!

- ACEC/MO Board Chairperson: *\$750 state / \$1,000 national*
- ACEC/MO Board Members: *\$500 state / \$750 national*
- ACEC/MO Committee Chairs: *\$250 state / \$250 national*
- ACEC/MO PAC Trustees & ACEC/PAC Champions: *\$250 state / \$250 national*
- ACEC/MO Member Firm Representatives: *\$100 state / \$100 national*

New RFPs/RFQs Posted on ACEC/MO Website

The ACEC/MO website has been updated to include new RFPs/RFQs we recently received from MoDOT. To see the new RFPs/RFQs recently posted, click on the links below or go to our [website](#). We update the website as soon as we get new postings in, so please check it often.



- [Missouri Department of Transportation \(MoDOT\)](#)

Water Protection Forum Meeting Announcement

The next Missouri Water Protection Forum meeting is scheduled to begin at **10:00 AM** on **November 10, 2021**, at the Lewis and Clark State Office Building, 1101 Riverside Drive, Jefferson City, MO and via Webex. For those attending in person, boxed lunches will be ordered from McAlister's Deli. Each box lunch includes your choice of side, a cookie, a pickle, utensils, and a bottle of water at the cost of \$12 per person. The choices that are available are:



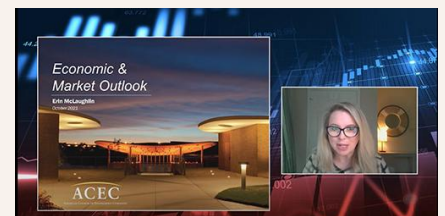
1. **Harvest Chicken Salad Sandwich** – Dressed with leaf lettuce and tomatoes, on a croissant. **This product contains pecans.*
2. **Club Sandwich Box** – Choose from one of McAlister's signature Club sandwiches:
 - McAlister's Club
 - Orange Cranberry Club
 - Black Angus Club
 - Grilled Chicken Club
 - Turkey Croissant
3. **Traditional** – Choice of Black Angus Roast Beef, Black Forest Ham, Smoked Turkey on baguette, Harvest Chicken Salad or Turkey Cobb
4. **The Veggie** – Spinach, tomatoes, cucumbers, balsamic red onions, peppers, avocado and herb mayo on 9-Grain bread
5. **Wrap Box** – Choose from one of McAlister's signature wraps:
 - Chicken Caesar
 - Turkey Bacon Ranch
 - Veggie
 - Southwest Chicken
 - Club Wrap

SIDES: Chips, Potato Salad, Fruit Cup, or Applesauce

In order to give McAlister's Deli adequate notice, please respond to Krista Welschmeyer at krista.welschmeyer@dnr.mo.gov by November 8, 2021. The money for the lunches will need to be collected at the door the morning of the meeting by 10:30 AM. They will be unable to make change, so please have the exact amount. No checks please. Thank you.

ACEC Monthly Economic Update

Erin McLaughlin, ACEC's private markets expert, delivers her monthly economic update for the engineering and design industry in 10 minutes or less.



Click [here](#) to watch the video. Click [here](#) to visit the new ACEC Private Market Resources page.

MEMBER INFORMATION & CALENDAR

QBS Nominations Wanted

The ACEC/MO QBS Award was established to recognize outstanding support of the Qualifications-Based Selection procedures. The contributions can be made in many forms but must embody a commitment to and support and promotion of QBS. ACEC/MO gives an annual award in the categories of government and non-government. If you work with a public or private client that uses or has converted to the QBS method, go to our [website](#) for a nomination form if you want to submit them for an award. The deadline to submit a nomination form is **December 31, 2021**. The award will be given at ACEC/MO's Winter Meeting in February 2022.



Deadline Nears to Submit ACEC/MO Life Member Nominations

ACEC/MO seeks to recognize past member firm representatives who have given extraordinary service to ACEC/MO and have retired from active practice. Your help as a current member firm representative is needed to identify former members of your firm who may meet the criteria for Life Membership.

Nominations are due by **October 29, 2021**. They can be mailed or emailed to ACEC/MO as indicated on the form. A listing of current life members is listed on our [website](#) along with a link to the nomination form. If you have any questions, please contact the ACEC/MO office.

New Member Firms Welcomed

We want to welcome the following new members firm to the Council and hope you will too.

[DOTec Corp](#)

424 Jefferson Street, St. Charles, MO 63301-2824
Phone: (636) 724-9872
Key Contact: Ildefonso Gonzalez

[Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.](#)

805 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 150, Kansas City, MO 64105
Phone: (816) 652-0350
Key Contact: Chip Touzinsky



Member News

[Engineering Design Source, Inc.](#) (EDSI) announces an expanded ownership structure that includes **George John, PE** (Principal | Founder) and three new owners, **Aaron Verges** (Principal | Chief Technology Officer), **Brett Brooks, PLS** (Principal | Missouri Lead), and **Jeffrey Varughese, PE** (Principal | Illinois Lead). This expansion will enable EDSI to leverage the specific skills, qualifications, and experience of a seasoned team of professionals to lead us in the future development of the company.



Calendar of Events

October 27-30, 2021 -- ACEC Fall Conference, Marco Island, FL

November 5, 2021 -- ACEC/MO Cybersecurity Webinar

November 11-12, 2021 -- ACEC/MO Fall Meeting, Columbia

November 17, 2021 -- ACEC/MO EEA Project Entry Judging

May 2, 2022 - ACEC/MO 1st Annual PAC Golf Tournament, Porta Cima

May 4-5, 2022 -- ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, St. Charles

June 8-13, 2022 - ACEC Midwest States Conference, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands

June 15-16, 2022 -- ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Independence

July 20, 2022 -- ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Virtual

August 24-25, 2022 -- ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Osage Beach

August 25, 2022 -- ACEC/MO 6th Annual ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament, Osage Beach

August 25-26, 2022 -- ACEC/MO Summer Meeting, Osage Beach



Newly added events are italicized. To see a complete calendar of events, go to ACEC/MO's [website](#).

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