

2018 Directors Nominees

Private Sector Nominees

Jill Hamill

Project Manager

Civil & Environmental Consultants

I would like to be considered for the position of Private Sector Director. My background includes 8 years of experience as a Solid Waste Engineer for CEC. From CQA to design, permitting, and compliance, I honestly enjoy the work I do for the waste industry. While I primarily work in an office setting, I value the experience I've had in the field, and I think it makes me a better engineer having seen waste facility construction and operations firsthand.

I'm enthusiastic and enjoy working with others in the industry, whether in a professional or social situation. I am also the safety coordinator for my office location and have developed a heightened level of respect for the importance of safety through holding this position. I want my friends and colleagues to make it home safely every day, and I try to demonstrate safe behaviors not only while working, but in my personal life as well.

Carolyn Witwer

Director of Sales Development

Penn Waste

I am Carolyn Witwer, the Director of Sales Development at Penn Waste. I have been with Penn Waste for 2 years. I come from over 15 years in training and development in the sales and retail industry. Before Penn Waste I wasn't in the waste industry but I have found my home here and I am very passionate about our industry especially the recycling and education side of the business. Outside of work, I am involved in many non-profit organizations and non-profit boards, mostly in the Lancaster area and truly enjoy giving back to my community. I look forward to the opportunity to make new connections through my membership in the SWANA Keystone Chapter.

Public Sector Nominees

Scott McGrath

Engineering and Environmental Services Director

City of Philadelphia Streets Department

Scott McGrath worked in solid waste management planning, policy, program implementation, regulatory affairs / permitting, procurement, facilities management and budgeting for over 25 years primarily in municipal and county government. Currently work for the City of Philadelphia Streets Department's Sanitation Division supervising an engineering unit, facilities management unit as well as the City's Household Hazardous Waste Program, and the Sanitation Division's grants and capital program budget. These responsibilities include management of 8 facilities and a municipal waste transfer station, management of the City's network of 1,000 BigBelly solar compactor units, and professional services contract administrator for the Division. Also advise the Division's Deputy Commissioner on solid waste planning, recycling, technology and regulatory issues. Scott served as the City's Acting Recycling Coordinator between 2008 and 2011 managing the City's transition to single stream recycling.

In addition to solid waste management experience, Scott's prior work experience with Gannett Fleming Engineers, Monmouth County NJ Planning Board and Illinois State Abandoned Mined Lands Reclamation Council includes abandon mine reclamation design, land surveying, residential subdivision design, waste water management planning, groundwater monitoring, and hazardous waste management.

Member of the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP)

BS Geography, Western Illinois University

MA Environmental Studies, University of Illinois at Springfield

Scot Sample

Executive Director

Northern Tier Solid Waste Authority

Scot Sample has been involved in the Waste Industry for 20 years. Scot is currently the Executive Director of Northern Tier Solid Waste Authority (NTSWA). He is presently serving on the SWANA Keystone board and is MOLO certified. As Executive Director, he is responsible for the day to day operations of two (2) transfer stations, a C&D landfill, a MSW Landfill, two (2) recycling processing facilities, a residential, commercial and industrial waste collection operation, a waste water treatment facility and an active landfill gas management system which includes a hydroponic greenhouse and an exhaust heat system that heats the County correctional facility and the County nursing home. In 2013 NTSWA received the Gold Excellence Award for Landfill Gas Utilization from SWANA. In this position, Scot oversees approximately 85 employees. Prior to becoming the Executive Director of NTSWA, he served on the NTSWA Board for five years. He was previously employed as a Borough Manager where he was in charge of water and wastewater systems, parks, and streets. This also gave him years of experience in overseeing many construction projects. Scot is a licensed water and wastewater treatment plant operator with over 25 years of experience. He is a member of the Pennsylvania Rural Water Association, and has also served as president of the Sullivan County Council of Governments.

Young Professionals Nominees**Dan Brown**

Environmental Compliance Specialist

Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority

Dan Brown has been with the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA) since 2010, working in environmental compliance for 4 years. Dan facilitates LCSWMA's Environmental Management System, which is registered to the ISO 14001:2015 standard, and specializes in environmental compliance for LCSWMA facilities, including a transfer station, household hazardous waste facility, two waste-to-energy facilities, and a landfill. Dan has previously worked in operations and sustainability aspects at LCSWMA.

Mr. Brown graduated from Millersville University with a BSE in Biology and is currently the Keystone SWANA Scholarship Committee Chairman. Dan's education background ties directly with Young Professionals, to form connections within Keystone SWANA to help YP advance the solid waste profession.

David V. Spang, E.I.T.

Assistant Project Manager

Civil & Environmental Consultants

I am interested in the Young Professional Director Position. I have worked as a consulting engineer with Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. in our solid waste group for the last 6 years. Over that time, I have performed a variety of projects for Municipal and Residual Solid Waste Landfill clients. I have attended YP events over the last few years and I recently became a member of the organization. I have enjoyed my experiences, and I am looking for more opportunities to get involved. I also enjoy being in leadership positions.

I completed my graduate and undergraduate degrees at the University of Pittsburgh. During my time there, I was involved with the American Society of Civil Engineers Student Chapter. In my senior year, I revived our long inactive Concrete Canoe team and Co-Captained that team in the ASCE regional competition. We took steps that year to allow future classes to remain involved, and I take pride knowing that our team is active today. I get a thrill from coordinating events, bringing people together, and watching the exchange of new ideas.

Chapter International Board Member Nominee

Robert A. Watts, S.C., BCEEM

Executive Director

Chester County Solid Waste Authority

Bob has been the Executive Director of the Chester County Solid Waste Authority (CCSWA) for 19 years. CCSWA operates a landfill and a residential recycling drop of center that is located in southeastern Pennsylvania.

He received a BS and MS in Civil and Environmental Engineering from Utah State University.

For SWANA, he currently serves as the Past Director of the Landfill Gas and Biogas Division. As a member of SWANA's International Board for the last ten years and he is on the Planning Committee; he is the Landfill Technical Division Chair of the Awards Committee and on SWANA's Infrastructure Subcommittee.

Bob is on the SWANA Faculty and has been nominated to be the Region 7 Representative to new 21 Member International Board for 2019.