APEGGA Central Branch Executive Minutes of Meeting <u>Tuesday, 2003 January 07</u> Red Deer College - Arts Centre Conference Room

ATTENDANCE

Peter Stevens, P.Eng., Andrew Poole, P.Eng., Andrew Wagner, E.I.T., Arun Mishra, Ph.D., P.Eng., Bob Watson, P.Eng., Gerry Pyper, P.Eng., Kim H. Ng, P.Eng., Niki Phillips, E.I.T., Rick Granberg, P.Eng, Robert Perrault, P.Eng., Wade Keller, E.I.T., Chris Dedeurwaerder, E.I.T. (recorder).

1 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chair Peter S. at 7:10 PM.

2 AGENDA

The agenda was approved by a motion from Andrew W. and seconded by Arun M.

3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Arun M. and Andrew W. motioned the approval of the minutes from the last meeting.

4 BUSINESS ARISING

a) Treasurers Report

Treasurer Rick G. provided an update on the current branch financial situation. The balance as of January 7, 2003 is normal for this time of year. The next significant expenditure is the President's Visit and funds will be asked of head office in the near future.

b) Students Outreach Program Report

Andrew W. presented the Student Outreach Coordinator Report. Andrew W., Arun M., Niki P., Bruce Thorne, P.Eng., and Nisha Nayyar did four presentations at the Red Deer Central School on "Forces and Structures". The Central Alberta Branch now has a canned presentation on "Forces and Structures" that is held by Andrew W. The Tacoma Narrows Bridge disaster was also show to the class. A "Soils" presentation is also available; contact Peter S. for more details.

c) January Lunchtime Forum

January Lunchtime Forum was organized by Peter S. and the topic was "The Roles of the Natural Resources Conservation Board". The forum was wellattended by 13 people.

The next forum is February 4 and the Deputy Minister of Alberta Environment will speak on the Kyoto agreement. Peter S. will email the notice out.

d) January 2003 tour: Red Deer Hospital Expansion

The next branch event will be the Red Deer Hospital Expansion Tour on January 13, 2003. Closing for registration is January 10, 2003. Gerry P. has organized this tour and the mailers have been sent out the to the membership.

e) February 4 AGM Agenda

The branch AGM is scheduled for Feb 4, 2003. The meal is chicken cordon bleu and has been booked by Andrew P. at \$25/meal.

A motion was put forward not to have wine at the table due to financial concerns, concerns of driving under the influence and the fact that not everyone drinks wine and it is wasted. The motion was passed unanimously. Note that a cash bar is available.

Alternative meals are to be indicated with Shirley at head office at the time of registration.

Head office will be asked to cover the costs of guests as indicated in the Branch guidelines.

Three Life Members and guests, 35 new Inductees and guests, Bob Demcoe, P.Eng., Elizabeth Dupuis, P.Eng. and local dignitaries will be invited as guests.

Agenda will be similar to last year's AGM:

Cocktails	6:30
Meal	7:00
Presidents speech	8:30
Life and new member induction and AGM	9:00

Peter S. and Kim N. will work on the AGM mailer and Peter will be the MC.

f) PEGG article

Peter S. to have an article for the March PEGG issue in by mid-February. Any possible topics?

5 NEW BUSINESS

a) PEGG Announcement

Peter S. passed around a copy of the PEGG containing Central Alberta Branch's "Lunchtime Forum" announcement.

b) March Event

March 11, 2003 has been set as the Engineering Student Night organized by Arun M.

c) April's PD Day

April 12, 2003 has been booked for the annual Professional Development Day. Possible topics put forward include email etiquette and organization, financial accounting, and climate change/Kyoto. Kim N. to discuss further at next meeting.

d) Upcoming Technical Courses

The Environmental Services Association of Alberta is offering a seminar entitled "Environmental Business 2003" in the Fantasyland Hotel in Edmonton on February 25 to 27. More information is at www.esaa.org. Topics include Air Quality Management/ Environmental Chemistry/ Hydrogeology/ Industrial and Hazardous Waste Management.

e) Volunteer Organization Announcements

No discussion.

f) Other

Other possible events include a Travellaire tour organized by Rick Granberg in May and a Reynolds Museum tour organized by Gerry Pyper in June.

6 NEXT MEETING

Red Deer College Art Centre Conference Room at 7pm, on 2003 February 4. Next meeting's minutes to be taken by Niki P.

7 ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn at 8:45pm.