

**APEGGA Central Alberta Branch**  
**Minutes of Executive Meeting**  
Tuesday, March 7, 2006  
Red Deer College , Room 2503

**ATTENDANCE**

Kathryn Cramer, P.Eng., Brad Howe, P.Eng., Peter Ott, P.Eng., Beverly Perozzo, P.Eng., Peter Stevens, P.Eng., Bob Watson, P.Eng., Marion Caws (recorder)

**Regrets with Notice:**

Kim Ng, P.Eng., Morris Sych, P.Eng., Greg Schmidt, P.Eng., Andrew Poole, P. Eng.

**1 CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm by Chairman Brad H.

**2 AGENDA**

The agenda was approved on a motion by Peter S. and seconded by Bev P.

**3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of January 3, 2006 were approved on a motion by Marion C. and seconded by Bob W.

**4 BUSINESS ARISING**

**a) Treasurer's Report**

Peter O. gave the Treasurer's Report. The balance was positive at the end of February. The amounts for Ross Watson, Science Olympics, and AGM will be coming out of this. The question arose as to who pays for the guests of head office. Brad H. will exchange a list and get monies from head office. Peter S. gave Peter O. money from activities. Other activities will be reflected in year-end financial statements. A meeting for an audit is to be arranged between Peter O., Kim N., and Andrew P. Peter S. noted a September "crunch". Brad H. pointed out the bench and golf tournament expenses.

**b) Student Outreach Coordinator's Report**

Kathryn C. went to Rocky for dinner with Mr. Ryan Sheehan, the 2005 APEGGA CAB Teacher Award recipient. He brought a team to the Science Olympics. A few presentations were made at elementary schools. There are canned presentations available from head office. March 23 there is a Science Fair in Hanna. The deadline for Teacher Awards is March 31 and contact is through head office.

**c) Lunchtime Forum Review**

Peter S. reported that the February 7 lunchtime forum, Redevelopment of the Red Deer Regional Hospital, with Richard Wilson, attracted 9 people. The E-

pegg wasn't sent out in time to give notice for the March 7 lunchtime forum by Dr Stephane Evoy from U. of A. on Nanotechnology. Peter S. gave him lunch and scrambled to grab people. The April 4<sup>th</sup> talk is on the project receiving the Summit Award, "Water Recycling" jointly by the City of Edmonton and PetroCanada.

#### **d) RDC Sustainability Lecture Series**

Marion C. informed that the committee is working on organizing future speakers though she was given the impression that the funding for the particular series had pretty much been used up.

#### **e) Legacy Bench PEGG Article & Photo**

The Legacy Project article and photo will be submitted by Andrew P to the PEGG.

#### **f) Science Olympics**

Bev P. reported that the Science Olympics went well with more than 19 volunteers participating. There may be a need to have more people since quite a few judges are needed at the event and there were challenges with the projects requiring attention. Addy was good to have. Perhaps an engineer and teacher should work with the outreach coordinator. We could use a teacher with lab access to obtain some of the equipment or some of the volunteers could have helped organize it.

The challenges were supposed to have been received by the end of December or early January but were in hand by the beginning of February. The challenges need to be tried first. Should we come up with our own take home challenge? In Lloydminster there were teacher, engineering and parent teams competing.

The venue, Westpark Middle School, was good. We need a P. A. system. Overall the event went well – the glitches can be worked out. There was good press coverage both on TV and in the Red Deer Advocate.

#### **g) President's Visit & AGM**

Brad H. thought it went well. Peter S. said it was well organized. The speakers spoke to the topics that were sent in:

- Capital projects and the rising demand for engineering over the next several years.
- Acceptance by APEGGA of Engineers from outside of Canada.
- APEGGA/ASET issues

The ASET issue was the topic in Council as well. There is a March deadline to dispute the legislation.

Greg Schmidt, P.Eng. was elected to the CAB Executive Committee. Kim N. is vice chair. Gerry P. stepped down. (Where will we have a great BBQ now?)

**h) Dinner Speaker, Ross Watson**

Peter S. reported that Ross Watson spoke on February 28<sup>th</sup> at the Red Deer Lodge. Nineteen people attended, about half APEGGA, half ASET, two were neither. The numbers were a bit disappointing since particularly given that Ross Watson had waived his fee. APEGGA covered the meal and accommodation expenses. Prepayments were made to the main office. Ross Watson gave Peter S. a video of his presentation. He is quite a remarkable person

**i) Activities for the Year**

The following activities have been scheduled for the upcoming year:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Responsible Person</b>
March 14, 2005	Student Night	Marion C.
April	Noise Solutions Tour	Kathryn C.
May 6, 2005	PD Day	Kim N.

Kathryn C. Says the Noise Solutions tour in Delburne would be best at the end of April. Could it be held on a Saturday? A time a date needs to be set. Quinn wanted us to take a day tour. Peter O. and Bev P. will try to set a date for Agrium in late May or early June.

**5 NEW BUSINESS**

**a) 2006 Branch Executive Introductions**

Done by Brad H. Kim N. is vice chair. Greg Schmidt the new person to be introduced later.

**b) APEGGA February Council Meeting - Report**

Brad H. said the topic was the ASET appeal to the governments. It was interesting to watch. There were points of orders used. All but two attended the Branch Chairs Meeting.

**c) Branch Executive Orientation Session – June**

Two people could go. It is a good opportunity to informally find out what the branches are doing. Bev P. needs a specific date.

**d) APEGGA AGM Videoconference**

This will be held Saturday April 22 from nine am to noon at the Center for Business Development, downtown. We need a member to supervise. Bev P. said she could do it. Etiquette will be distributed beforehand. Peter S and Brad H. might attend the real thing. A webcast will be tried but there would be no voting due to legislation

**e) Recruitment of Volunteers – Ideas?**

We could look at an appreciation night. The August BBQ could be held in a park. One activity would be geocaching. We need an organizing committee by June.

**f) Habitat for Humanity**

Peter S. says the project from last year has fallen through. There has been trouble finding a lot.

**g) RDC Student's Night**

This is to be held at Jim and Jerry's at 7:30 pm march 14, 2005. Brad H. gave notice through the E-pegg and the website.

**h) PD Day**

Forty to sixty people are expected on May 6 or 13. Topics will be as per Kim N. Perhaps one could be the making of presentations for schools.

**i) Executive Photo**

To be taken at the next meeting, 4 April 2006.

**6 NEXT MEETING – April 4, 2006**

Recorder: Bob W. will be the recorder at the next meeting.  
7:00pm, Red Deer College Arts Center Conference Room.

**7 ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.