

APEGGA Central Alberta Branch
Minutes of Executive Meeting
Tuesday, April 4, 2006
Red Deer College, Arts Centre Conference Room

ATTENDANCE

Marion Caws, Brad Howe, P.Eng., Kim Ng, P.Eng.,
Peter Ott, P.Eng., Beverley Perozzo, P.Eng., Andrew Poole, P. Eng.,
Peter Stevens, P.Eng., Bob Watson, P.Eng., (recorder).

Regrets with Notice: Kathryn Cramer, P.Eng., Morris Sych. P.Eng.

1 CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm by Chairman Brad H.

2 AGENDA

Items added to agenda:

-5 h) Gift for outgoing President of APEGGA – Larry Staples, P. Eng.
Motion to approve agenda as amended: Marion C. / seconded Kim N. -Carried

3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Amendments:

-4 i) Peter O. and Bev P. will try to set date for Agrium tour;
Motion to approve minutes of March 7, 2006 as amended:
Peter S. / seconded Andrew P. -Carried

4 BUSINESS ARISING

a) Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Peter O. reported the bank balance.
-year-end audit has not been completed;

-two new members and one new member's wife paid to attend the APEGGA
Red Deer Branch AGM, although they were invited guests;
Motion to reimburse these guests.

Marion C. / seconded Peter S. – Carried

-fee for 2005 P.D. Day paid twice for Philip Simpson –by Sampson Nation &
by Philip S.;

Motion to reimburse Philip Simpson the fee for 2005 P.D. Day event:
Marion C. / seconded Kim N. - Carried

b) Student Outreach Coordinator's Report

Brad H. presented Kathryn C. 's report:

- no presentations have been requested;
- nominations for the 2006 Teachers' Award closed on March 31, 2006;
- Marion C. and Kim N. were appointed to the committee to select the winner of the 2006 Teacher's Award;

Andrew P. moved a vote of thanks to Bev. P., Kathryn C. and Addie for their work in arranging a very successful Science Olympics at Westpark Middle School in Red Deer on March 4, 2006.

c) Lunchtime Forum Review

Peter S. reported that the April 4 lunchtime forum on "Water Recycling" was very interesting and well presented with 9 people in attendance.

The topic for the lunchtime forum of May 2, 2006 will be the "Calgary Bow River Weir".

Peter S. advised the meeting that as of June 1 2006 he will no longer be organizing the lunchtime forum events.

Members of the branch executive extended a vote of thanks to Peter for starting up this popular lunchtime forum series and for arranging to have so many interesting speakers on a wide range of topics.

d) Legacy Bench

Discussion of the proposed article on the Legacy Bench for the "PEGG" led to a decision that the article be included in the annual Branch Review to be published in the PEGG.

e) Red Deer College Students' Night – March 14, 2006

Marion C. reported that attendance was poor – 1 student plus Marion; Preparation for exams at this time might account for the low attendance.

f) Activities for the Year

- Noise Solutions Tour – maybe April; -Kathryn C.
- Professional Development Day – Saturday May 13, 2006 –Kim N.
there was some discussion on topics to be included in PD Day;
- Red Deer River Cleanup – June 4, 2006
Motion: to issue a cheque to Peter S. for the purchase of gift certificates from Parkland Nurseries Ltd., to be donated as prizes in support of the Red Deer River Cleanup event.
- Border Paving Tour – June 2006
Agrium Tour postponed due to plant shutdown in June;

-Quinn Pumps Tour – difficulty arranging for tour in evenings; -Bob W.
-Picnic, Out of Town / Volunteer Appreciation Function – August 2006

5 NEW BUSINESS

a) APEGGA April Council Meeting

Brad H. requested a list of suggested improvements and good features relative to the recently held Science Olympics event.

Bev P. will provide this information by April 19, 2006.

b) Branch Executive Orientation Session

To be held in June 2006 on a Friday evening and all day Saturday;

Executive members interested in attending should contact Brad H..

c) APEGGA AGM Videoconference

To be held on Saturday morning April 22, 2006;

Bev P. volunteered to attend and act as Moderator;

Bob W. volunteered to attend and act as Backup Moderator;

d) Recruitment of Volunteers –ideas?

-Suggestion to hold a “volunteer appreciation function”;

-suggestion to issue invitations to the Central Alberta branch of APEGGA members to attend a function and encourage the members to volunteer;

-suggestion to donate a free gift to each volunteer –APEGGA mug, etc.;

e) Habitat for Humanity

-Peter S. reported that the Habitat for Humanity project for 2005 was cancelled because no building lot could be found in Red Deer.

-A search for suitable lots outside the city of Red Deer is now underway.

-Volunteers are required for the Retail Store;

f) PD Day

Suggested topics:

-“Dealing with Difficult People”

-Alternative Fuels / Bio-Fuel

-Edmonton’s Waste Water Treatment Facility

-U.N. Water Treatment – Third World Countries

-Permit to Practice presentation by APEGGA head office staff member

-Building a House Using Straw Bales

-U of A Professor Schindler – “Water”

-Coal Bed Methane

-Inovative Design – Victor Doerkson MLA

-Nuclear Power / Tar Sands Oil Production

-Contract Law

Food Suggestions: soup / sandwiches / juice / coffee

Room: Red Deer College, Second Floor Lecture Room –same as for 2005

g) Executive Photo

NOTE:

The May 2, 2006 meeting is to be at the site of our Legacy Bench, Northwest corner of 48 Avenue and 48 Street at 6:30 p.m..

All branch executive members are requested to attend so that they will be Included in our group photo around “the bench”.

After the photo, we plan to have a supper meeting at “The Firm” and conduct our May meeting.

h) Gift for APEGGA Past President, Larry Staples, P. Eng.

Motion: to purchase a gift for APEGGA Past President, Larry Staples, P. Eng.

Peter S. / seconded by Marion C. – Carried

-it was suggested that Branch Chairman Brad H. present this gift to Larry S. at the next APEGGA Council meeting.

5 NEXT MEETING

a)Volunteer Recorder: Kim N.

b) Location –at “The Bench” 48 Avenue and 48 Street

May 2, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

7 ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn: Marion C. / seconded Bev P. 8:40 p.m.