

MINUTES
APEGGA CENTRAL BRANCH EXECUTIVE MEETING

May 4, 2004 @ 7:00 p.m.

Room 2206, Red Deer College

Present: Andrew Poole, Peter Stevens, Kim Ng, Andrew Wagner, Arun Mishra, Rick Granberg, Brad Howe, Niki Phillips, Peter Ott, Bob Watson
Regrets: Robert Perrault, Kathryn Cramer, Wade Keller, Beverly Oginski, Gerry Pyper, Fola Soboyejo

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Andrew P at 7:10 PM.
2. The agenda was approved as amended by a Andrew W/Peter S motion.
3. The minutes for April 9, 2002 Executive meeting were approved by a Granberg / Mishra motion after amending for regrets by Peter O and Brad.
4. Business Arising:
 - a. Treasurer's Report/Audit Appointments: Before paying for the May PD event, the account balance is \$1261.47. Peter O and Arun will audit the books – Kim to convene the meeting.
 - b. Student Outreach Coordinator Report: Andrew W would coordinate with Peter O and Arun to decide on the Teacher's Award.

There is a mechanical engineering job-shadowing request for a grade 11 student from Trochu.

There is a request for an electrical engineer for a grade 7 class in Panoka.
 - c. New Member Network Report: Niki reported that the last event at Wild Bill's was cancelled due to a lack of interest. Next event is the Jazz Night at the Firm on the third Wednesday of the month.
 - d. Lunch Time Forums: Peter S reported that 18 people attended the Highway 2 Innisfail bridge presentation by Andrew P. It was the best ever presentation. Few new faces were seen again. A straw poll of the attendees indicated good feedback on the PD day. It also indicated that about a third of the people have gone to the APEGGA web site and an APEGGA issues forum may work as a topic for lunch forum. The next forum on the first Tuesday of June will be by Peter S on Alberta Wetland Policy. The September forum will be on Special Areas Water Supply Project and the one for October is on Large Screws (not kidding) Project. Send forum ideas to Peter S.
 - e. May 1 PD Day Review: There were 36 paid attendees. The feedback reinforced the quality and balance of the presentations, venue and food. Wade, Rob and Arun helped Kim organize and conduct the event. Some suggestions were to reduce the lunch to 30 minutes and make the session as long as the presenters need it (one of the sessions that was designed for 4 hours was rushed through in 3).
 - f. Permit the Practice Seminar Review: Andrew P and Robert attended the session presented by Ross Plecash of APEGGA on April 8, 2004. The session was well received.

- g. 2004/05 Business Plan and Budget: Kim presented a draft of the budget. We need this approved in our June meeting. Andrew P to prepare a Business Plan and circulate it before the next meeting. Andrew P will also convene a meeting of our centennial planning subcommittee to discuss how we plan to utilize the \$5000 for this item.
- h. Inclusivity: Considerable discussion took place. Andrew P will explore organizing a debate for a fall dinner meeting.
- i. Fall 2004 Golf: Andrew P to organize this for central Alberta APEGGA/ASET group.
- j. 2005 Centennial Legacy Project: Andrew P to call the centennial planning subcommittee meeting to discuss this.
- k. June Event – Historical Nordegg: Niki reported that the event is booked for 10:00 a.m. Saturday June 26 with one tour guide. Andrew P and Niki will explore if a lunch could be organized.

5. New Business

- a. APEGGA AGM Review: Among others, Andrew P, Peter O, Bob and Fola attended. PD sessions were good. There was a lot of discussion regarding inclusivity issue.
 - b. PD Day Subcommittee: Robert Kim and Arun.
 - c. Branch Executive Orientation: Mark your calendar June 26 for this exciting opportunity as presented by the Mother Corp. (Head office of APEGGA).
 - d. Congratulations to Kathryn Cramer: for becoming P. Eng.!
6. Next Meeting on June 1, 2004: At Red Deer College 7:00 p.m. at the Arts Centre Conference Room. Andrew P volunteered to delegate the minutes taking to Wade.
7. The meeting adjourned on a Poole motion at 9:15.

Respectfully submitted

Arun Mishra