

APEGGA Central Alberta Branch
Minutes of Executive Meeting
Tuesday, December 7, 2004
Residence of Arun Mishra, 14 Stirling Close, Red Deer

ATTENDANCE

Kathryn Cramer, P.Eng., Rick Granberg, P. Eng., Wade Keller, E.I.T., Arun Mishra, Ph.D, P.Eng., Kim Ng, P.Eng., Robert Perrault, P.Eng., Niki Phillips, E.I.T., Andrew Poole, P. Eng., Peter Stevens, P.Eng., Bob Watson, P.Eng., (recorder).

Regrets with Notice: Brad Howe, P.Eng., Beverley Oginski, E.I.T., Peter Ott, P.Eng., Gerry Pyper, P.Eng., Fola Soboyejo, P.Eng., Andrew Wagner, E.I.T.,

1 CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm by Chairman Andrew P.

2 AGENDA

Items added to agenda:

-5e) Presentations at Branch AGM, Feb. 1, 2005

3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for November 2, 2004 were approved on a motion by Peter S. and Kathryn C..

4 BUSINESS ARISING

a) Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Kim N. reported a \$1,467.84 balance in the account.

-outstanding bills: Nil

b) Student Outreach Coordinator's Report

Andrew P. reported that Andrew W. is trying to arrange a presentation for the teacher from Forestburg who has been selected for the 2004 Teachers' Award by the APEGGA Central Alberta Branch committee.

Andrew P. informed the meeting that APEGGA Head Office intends to bring the Science Olympics to Red Deer schools during Science & Engineering Week, from 25 February to 6 March 2005; the theme will be "Proud Past – Confident Future".

-the APEGGA work group in Calgary will export the package to Red Deer;

-the Science Olympics will be held on a Saturday for school grades 1 to 6;

c) New Member Network

Niki P. advised the meeting that no "PIGS" events will be held until 2005 and that the previous session on "Mentors" had been cancelled.

d) December 7: Lunchtime Forum Review – Peter S.

Lianne Lefsrud, P.Eng. from APEGGA Head Office - "Professional Practice"

- 15 in attendance;
- approximately 8 case studies presented;
- brochures were handed out on various topics:
"Concept of Professionalism"; "Stamping Drawings"; etc..

e) January 18, 2005 – Kyoto Debate - Preparations – Arun M.

Arun M. reported that all arrangements have been made and a notice has been issued:

- Debaters are: Dr. Barry Cooper, Fraser Institute
and Mr. Ricardo Acuna, Parkland Institute;
- Red Deer College has donated \$1,000.00 toward the costs;
- Expenses will be for publicity, snacks etc..
- The debate will be one event in a series planned by Red Deer College
"Sustainability Series Lecture Program".

Discussion covered the suggestion that APEGGA should donate funds towards this lecture program and the suggestion that suitable speakers should be found for additional related topics, such as water.

Motion by Peter S. / Seconded by Arun M. that "APEGGA Central Alberta Branch re-allocate \$500.00 from the annual library donation to the Red Deer College Sustainability Series Lectures Program – Carried;

f) 2005 Centennial Legacy Project – Team

Chairman Andrew P. advised that all replies to the e-mail poll of the APEGGA Central Branch executive members, requesting comments on the proposed Centennial Legacy Project, were in favour of the proposed design; 2 members did not reply.

Chairman Andrew P. also advised that:

- the location at 48 Street is not acceptable to the City of Red Deer due to construction delays expected at that site – until late 2005 or 2006;
 - solutions could include a modular design or a temporary location;
 - an agreement will be required with the Artists plus a \$500.00 advance;
- Bob W. suggested that Michael Cholach, P.Geol. be asked to review the typical soil profile to be portrayed by the Artists on the vertical surfaces of the bench design so that the formations shown represent the geology of central Alberta.

g) Habitat for Humanity – Peter S.

Peter S. advised the meeting that there were no new developments on this project.

Volunteers from APEGGA would be required to work on this project, probably a weekend or more, sometime in 2005.

5 NEW BUSINESS

a) PD Events in Edmonton & Calgary – Andrew P.

APEGGA Head Office has offered to make arrangements to bus APEGGA Central Branch executive members to Edmonton or Calgary to attend the workshops presented by Head Office for executive members.

-in recent years these sessions, normally held in Edmonton, had to be cancelled because of too few able or willing to attend;

Discussion of this matter indicated that the branch executive members were not in favour of being bussed to Edmonton or Calgary but preferred to continue with attempts to schedule this session for a date acceptable to enough members.

b) President's Visit – February 8, 2005 – Andrew P.

The date Tuesday February 8, 2005 has been confirmed.

This will be a dinner meeting with a presentation from APEGGA President Linda Van Gastel, P.Eng.,; the presentation of certificates to new Life Members and to new members now qualified as professional engineers, geologists and geophysicists; the annual general meeting of the Central Alberta Branch and the election of the new branch executive.

c) AGM – Nominations – Andrew P.

Peter S., Past Chairman, will serve as Chairman of the Nominating Committee

d) E-PEGG Feedback – Andrew P.

The majority of the executive members present indicated that they are in favour of the new E-PEGG.

e) Presentations at the AGM – 8 February 2005

Niki P. volunteered to introduce those APEGGA members who are retiring and will be receiving their Life Membership Certificates.

Arun M. and Bob W. volunteered to introduce the new members who will be receiving their Professional Certificates.

Wade K. volunteered to introduce the members receiving Volunteer Service Awards.

Lists of members receiving certificates and awards will be available from APEGGA Head Office on January 5, 2005.

Individual letters of invitation will be mailed to all members who will be receiving certificates and awards.

e) Rick Granberg – Moving to New Job in South Dakota, U.S.A.

Members of the executive expressed their thanks to Rick for the first class work that he carried out while serving on our Central Alberta Branch executive, in particular as Branch Treasurer. Rick will be missed but the members wish him well with plenty of success and opportunities for him and his family in the new job and new location.

6 NEXT MEETING -- *Note Revised date*

Kathryn C. will be the volunteer recorder at the next meeting.

The next meeting is set for January 11, at 7:00pm, RDC Arts Centre Conf. Room.

7 ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm on a motion by Kathryn C..