

2008/2009  
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## **BRANCH ACTIVITY REPORT, 18 June, 2008**

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### **BRANCH ACTIVITIES**

- May 20, 2008 – LRT – Long Range Planning for the City of Edmonton – Guest Speaker Ryan Betker, P.Eng.
- **Coaching for Commitment with Rachelle Lee from Einblau & Associates - May 6 & 7**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **Plain Talk: Communication Skills That Work - June 24**
- Canadian Institute of Forestry, Rocky Mountain Section - Reclamation and Remediation Professional Sign Off - Implications for Natural Resource Managers June 25, Old Timers Cabin, 9430 Scona Rd
- Professional Practice Exam – July 5 & 6
- Energy Studies Short Course, Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Alberta, July 2 – 15
- American Association of Physics Teachers' National Meeting, July 19 – 23
- WISEST Golf Tournament, July 24
- Sep 12, 2008 – Edmonton Chapter of ASET Annual Golf Tournament – providing support for sponsorship and registration

### **BRANCH OPERATIONS**

- **Supporting APEGGA Vision/Mission via Branch Terms of Reference**

The committee has developed its 2008/2009 Operating Plan. The basis of the plan are three major thrusts (see below). Three taskforces were struck and will cover the following areas:

**Communications** – Peter Doell – this area concerns the communications APEGGA has with its members such as emails or letters and active participation on the communication committee being led by Jim Beckett, P.Eng. (President elect)

**Public Affairs** – Shiraz Kanji – this area concerns other ways in which we reach out to the community/members such as outreach program activities.

**Professional Development** – Bong Estoque – e.g.: branch luncheons, PD evening presentations, and mentoring.

These taskforces were considered two to three years ago but are being pursued again to ensure that all branch activities align with the APEGGA mission and vision. The taskforces will investigate what the previous vision was, what we should be doing in terms of the branch assisting in these areas.

- **Branch Policy on Attendance at Executive Meetings and active participation at Branch-sponsored events - Discussion**

This policy has been developed, adopted, and implemented. As a result, one member-at-large voluntarily resigned his position, but stated that he was very interested in returning to the Branch executive early next year. Another member-at-large also voluntarily resigned who was just nominated in February.

## **BRANCH BUDGET**

The Branch is financially sound.