

APEGGA Central Branch Executive
Minutes of Meeting
Tuesday, March 4, 2003
Red Deer College - Arts Centre Conference Room

ATTENDANCE

Andrew Poole, P.Eng., Arun Mishra, Ph.D., P.Eng., Bob Watson, P.Eng., Gerry Pyper, P.Eng., Kim H. Ng, P.Eng., Niki Phillips, E.I.T., Chris Dedeurwaerder, P.Eng., Andrew Wagner, E.I.T., Peter Ott, P.Eng., Rick Granberg, P.Eng (recorder).

Regrets: Peter Stevens, P.Eng, Robert Perrault, P.Eng, Brad Howe, P.Eng, Wade Keller, E.I.T

1 CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:15 pm by Vice Chair Andrew P.

2 AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda without revisions was made by Arun M., seconded by Gerry P. Carried.

3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes without revisions was made by Chris D., seconded by Arun M. Carried.

4 BUSINESS ARISING

a) Treasurers Report

Current balance is normal for this time of year.

Kim N. and Wade K. volunteered to review and audit financials for the 2002 calendar year.

b) Students Outreach Program Report

Andrew W. informed the executive that he had emailed APEGGA Student Outreach information to elementary, middle, and secondary schools. From the emails sent, he has received one response.

Two presentations have been organized for a Grade 3 and Grade 4 class. One on Gear and Levers and one on Forces and Structures. Bob W. volunteered to do one of these presentations.

Andrew W. voiced some concern regarding the confusion as a result of poor communication between head office, schools and the local branch regarding APEGGA sponsored events being offered to schools. Considerable discussion followed regarding the lack of response from schools. Niki P. suggested that the

Outreach program should focus more on assisting the schools that have shown interest in the program.

c) March Lunchtime Forum

Andrew P. informed the group on the forum held earlier in the day. The topic was Soil Reclamation of Contaminated Service Station sites and there were 23 attendees.

d) PEGG article

Andrew P. commented that Peter S. had received an urgent call from head office requesting a branch article as soon as possible because another branch was unable to supply an article. Peter scrambled to get something in only to be told that head office didn't need the article after all because they had filled the space with something else.

e) Engineering Student Night

It was reported by Arun M. that there were 18 students and approximately 20 engineers registered presently. He has booked Studio B at RDC for the evening with bar service and will arrange for a variety of food trays based on the number of registrants. Rick G. suggested that engineers bring literature from their places of work (or as Andrew P. suggested "propaganda") for sharing with other attendees. Arun also thanked Rick and Superior Emergency Vehicles for donating a golf shirt to be given away as a door prize at Engineering Student Night.

f) New Member Network

Niki P. indicated that she had received a few inquiries about the network. Andrew W. will share some information for the New Member Network regarding the process of what a new grad needs to do to become a P.Eng.

g) PD Day, April 12

Kim N. brought forward some possible offerings for PD Day presenters. Considerable discussion ensued. A vote was held regarding whether or not the group wanted one presenter for the full day or a variety of presenters on a variety of topics (soft and technical skills). Unfortunately there was no clear direction as a result of the vote. After considerably more discussion, it was suggested that Kim contact Debora Rothermel who can offer three different presentations plus Dr. Judy (Judith Lentin) to do a lunch time presentation. If Rothermel is unavailable, then he will set up for four separate presentations. A maximum budget of \$3000 for PD Day will be targeted which will include speaker costs (including expenses and GST) and catering.

5 NEW BUSINESS

a) Events for May and June

Rick G. reported the nothing has been finalized regarding the Travelaire tour. The tentative date has been set for May 13. If tour can be arranged, details will be available for the April executive meeting.

Gerry P. informed the executive that the tour of Reynolds Museum has been scheduled on June 7. It will be a family event and will include an introduction by museum personnel, a museum video, a catered lunch and museum tour including a look behind the scenes. From memory, he indicated that costs may be \$9 for adults, \$5 for children and a group fee of \$50 for the tour. The costs of the catered lunch are presently undetermined. Other details will be available at the next meeting.

b) Upcoming Technical Courses

Niki P. will email a schedule of chemical related courses.

c) Volunteer Organizations

Arun M. advised that the Rotary Club annual Lobsterfest is upcoming.

d) New Executive Orientation

Andrew P. apologized for not having more information but there was some discussion indicating that it was a good opportunity for new executive members to learn more about APEGGA. There were comments, however, that last year's orientation was not very well organized or informative.

6 NEXT MEETING

7 p.m., Tuesday, April 1, 2003 at RDC in the Art Centre Board Room. Arun will book the room and has also volunteered to be the recorder.

7 ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.