

COUNCIL MEETING
8:30 a.m. February 8, 2001
D.A. Lindberg Conference Centre
Edmonton, AB

MINUTES

PRESENT

President	S.E. Evison, P. Eng.
1st Vice President	H.D. Miller, P. Eng.
2nd Vice President	G.D. Williams, P. Geol.

Councillors	E.G. Honsberger, P. Geoph.	G.G. Stewart, P. Eng.
	W.D. Roggensack, P. Eng.	R.P. Triffo, P. Eng.
	M.W. Smyth, P. Eng.	R.S. Tenove, P. Eng.
	K.C. Porteous, P. Eng.	B.M. Wright, P. Geol.
	N.G. Dorjee, P. Eng.	S.W. Morrison, P. Eng.
	L.C. Van Gastel, P. Eng.	P.E. Putnam, P. Geol.

Public Members S. Souch

CCPE Director F.D. Otto, P. Eng.

CCPG Director R.L. Comer, P. Geoph.

Branch	V. Fedor, P. Eng.	J. Pastega, P. Eng.
Observers	J. Take, P. Eng.	B. Chase, P. Eng.
	P. Hagar, P. Eng.	T. Cherry, P. Eng.
	D. Ropchan	K. Ng.
	Adam MacDonald, E.I.T.	

Staff	H.N. Windsor, P. Eng.	D.S. McIntosh, P. Eng.
	A.J. Schuld, P. Eng.	R.G. Chopiuk, P. Eng.
	L.A. Shrimpton, P. Eng.	M.J. Tokarik, P. Eng.
	D.M. Todd, P. Eng.	C. Dmytruk, P. Eng.
	G. Lee	T. Sopkow
	T-J Chernesky	M. Ewanicke

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 a.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-001

THAT the Agenda be approved with additions to items under Business Arising.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA MEETING

3. IN CAMERA REPORTS

3.1 Investigative Committee Information Report

Stewart McIntosh, P. Eng. presented the Investigative Committee Information Report.

3.2 Practice Review Board Information Report

Ray Chopiuk, P. Eng. presented the PRB Information Report.

PUBLIC MEETING

4. MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 23, 2000

MOVED AND SECONDED

01.002

THAT The Minutes of November 23, 2000 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

5. COUNCIL SELF ASSESSMENT

Councillor Brenda Wright, P. Geol., reported on Councillor's comments from the November meeting.

First Vice President, Dale Miller, P. Eng. advised Council that the Governance Committee recommends that the title of the Executive Director and Registrar be changed to Chief Executive Officer and Registrar to better reflect the duties and influence of the position. It was

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-003

THAT Council change the name of the Executive Director and Registrar to that of Chief Executive Officer and Registrar.

Council expressed its concern that no supporting documentation was provided to them for their consideration. A change to the position title would require a change to the Act, Regulations and Bylaws of the Association and must be brought forward to an AGM and then, if approved, to Government to change the Act.

The Governance Committee was asked to provide a report for the April, 2001 Council meeting recognizing that any change will not be put forward until the April 2002 AGM.

The motion was withdrawn.

6. POLICY

6.1 Honorarium Task Force

Past President, Dan Motyka, P. Eng. made a presentation to Council.

It should be noted that the First Vice President, and the three Councillors currently running for the Executive Committee removed themselves from Council chambers during discussion of this issue.

It was

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-004

THAT Council accept the Committee's report and commend them on the work they have done to date and have discussion for resolution of this issue.

The motion was amended and it was

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-005

THAT anything done today would take effect in 2003 to allow the opportunity of the benefit of the opinions of the individuals who removed themselves from the discussion

CARRIED

MOTION 01-004 AS AMENDED WAS CARRIED.

Those Councillors who had removed themselves from Council chambers during discussion of this issue returned.

It was then

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-006

THAT An Honorarium be made available to future Presidents of APEGGA or their employer to take effect not sooner than April 2003 in an amount and under such conditions as may be approved from time to time by APEGGA Council, taking into account the recommendations of the committee of the Public Members.

The motion was amended and it was

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-007

THAT the bylaw change needed to enable this Honorarium be taken to the membership on a mail ballot.

It was then

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-008

THAT motion 01-006 and amendment 01-007 be tabled to the afternoon session of Council.

CARRIED

After the lunch break it was

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-009

THAT Motion 01-006, and amendment 01-007, be brought back to the table for discussion

CARRIED

MOTION 01-006 AND AMENDMENT 01-007 WERE THEN WITHDRAWN.

Council was provided with a proposed Bylaw 13.1

An Honorarium shall be paid to the President or the President's nominee in an amount and under such conditions as may be determined by Council from time to time.

It was then

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-010

THAT Bylaw 13.1 be approved.

MOTION WITHDRAWN

It was then

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-011

THAT the proposed By-law to create an honorarium for the President to be put to the membership by a mail-in ballot in accordance with By-law 37.1

CARRIED

It should be noted that Councillor Peter Putnam, P. Geol. voted in opposition of motion 01-011.

Council requested that a complete information package be sent to the membership as follows:

- Pros and Cons objectively stated.
- Summary of Duties of President.
- Practices of other organizations.
- Recommendations of Public Members.
- Description of process and authority of Council if By-law is approved with respect to following:
 - inauguration date
 - setting of amount
 - method of payment
 - discretion of recipient with respect to personal or corporate benefit

It should be noted that the First Vice President, and the three Councillors currently running for the Executive Committee removed themselves from Council chambers during discussion of this issue.

It was then

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-012

THAT the mail-in ballot seeking approval of proposed Bylaw 13.1 be issued to the membership in compliance with the required twenty-one day notice period; in the extent such ballot is halted by a requisite thirty written objections being received not less than three days before the election date, then all ballots returned to the Association shall be counted; and the results of the ballot count be released as information to the membership.

CARRIED

It was then

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-013

THAT Council direct APEGGA staff to take appropriate steps to ensure that the matter of the Honorary By-law can be addressed, if necessary, at the April, 2001 AGM.

CARRIED

The report from the Public Members was discussed next. It was

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-014

THAT A President or the President's employer or firm is entitled to invoice APEGGA for an amount equivalent to 40% of the President's previous year's income, providing that the honorarium so determined shall not exceed seventy-five thousand dollars for the presidential year. All out-of-pocket costs, such as travel and accommodation, will be eligible for reimbursement in accordance with existing practices of the Association.

DEFEATED

The motion was defeated and it was then

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-015

THAT the Honorary be set at 40% of the median F Level salary as determined by the APEGGA Salary Survey.

CARRIED

It was felt that information on the amount of the honorarium to be provided to the President should be included in the information package to the membership.

It was then

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-016

THAT the information package be reviewed by the Executive Committee before distribution to the membership.

CARRIED

Those Councillors who had removed themselves from Council chambers during discussion of this issue returned.

The Governance Committee presented their report for Council's information.

7. BUSINESS ARISING

7.1 Need for Specific Practice Regulation

John Nicholl, P. Eng., Chair of the PRB presented the report. It was

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-017

THAT the report be accepted.

CARRIED

It was then

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-018

THAT the Board recommends to Council that the Practice Review Board conduct an inquiry into the practice of the professions in oil and gas reserves evaluation and reporting, the scope of such an inquiry to be defined subsequently.

MOTION WITHDRAWN

It was then

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-019

THAT the PRB bring to Council a proposal for an inquiry into the practice of the professions in oil and gas reserves evaluation and reporting and which would include, but not be limited to, the scope of the inquiry and the budgeting impact.

CARRIED

7.2 Secondary Liability Insurance

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-020

THAT Discussion of Motion 00-095 from the November Council Meeting be brought back for discussion

CARRIED

There was not unanimous agreement to waive notice of motion therefore the matter will be brought forth at the next regular meeting of Council in April.

8. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Executive Director, Neil Windsor, P. Eng. presented a brief report of the discussions of the Executive Committee.

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

- 9.1 CCPG Agreement on Mobility of Professional Geoscientists within Canada

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-021

THAT the CCPG Draft Agreement on Mobility of Professional Geoscientists Within Canada be approved and that the President and the Executive Director & Registrar be authorized to sign the Agreement on behalf of APEGGA, subject to the CGSB and CCPG formally approving the proposed revisions to the geophysics portion of the CGSB Standards document.

CARRIED

- 9.2 Approval of 2000 Year End Financial Statements and Auditor for 2001

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-022

THAT Council approve the 2000 financial statements as presented, for publication in the 2000 Annual Report, and presentation at the Annual General Meeting.

CARRIED

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-023

THAT Council recommend to the membership at the April, 2001 Annual General Meeting that Bruce H. Childs, C.A. be re-appointed as Auditor for 2001.

CARRIED

9.3 Application for Reinstatement of P.A. McConnell

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-024

THAT Subject to Mr. McConnell satisfying all outstanding orders for costs levied against him by the disciplinary bodies of the Association, that Council strike a Committee of Inquiry whose purpose will be to:

- ***fully investigate Mr. McConnell's background, and review his request for reinstatement,***
- ***make recommendations to Council on the means to be prescribed for Mr. McConnell to demonstrate that he is competent to engage in the practice of engineering.***

CARRIED

9.4 APEGGA Summit Awards/CCPE Awards Nomination

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-025

THAT Council approve the Honours and Awards Committee recommendations for the 2001 recipients of the APEGGA Summit Awards® as listed under Recommendation 1.

CARRIED

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-026

THAT Council approve the recommendation that Robert Ross, P. Eng. be awarded the APEGGA L.C. Charlesworth Award.

CARRIED

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-027

THAT Council approve recommendations for the 2001 nominees for the CCPE Awards.

CARRIED

9.5 Learning Technology In the Workplace Initiative

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-026

THAT Council approve proceeding with the PEGGasus project and that it commit up to \$50,000 in cash and gift-in-kind to support the project contingent that the financing from the other partners will be in place by September.

CARRIED

10 COMMITTEE REPORTS

10.1 Discipline Committee

Information

10.2 Acts, Regulations & Bylaws

MOVED AND SECONDED

01-027

THAT Council recommend to the membership at the 2001 Annual General Meeting the following addition to Part 2 of the General Regulation, be sought from the Minister:

"20.1 The Council may direct the Registrar to cancel the registration of a professional member or licensee who fails to comply with a requirement under this Part after the expiration of 30 days following the service on the professional member or licensee of a written notice by the Council, unless the professional member or licensee on whom the notice is served complies with the requirements of that notice."

CARRIED

11. CCPE

11.1 Report from CCPE Director

Information report given by Fred Otto, P. Eng.

11.2 Report from CCPE Executive

No report was available.

12. CCPG

12.1 Report from CCPG Director

A brief report was given by Bob Comer, P. Geoph.

13. BRANCH REPORT

Paul Hagar, P. Eng., Chair of the Fort McMurray Branch provided the Branch report for information.

14. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

15. COUNCIL FORUM

15.1 2001 Strategic Planning Session

First Vice President, Dale Miller, P. Eng. advised Council that Relevancy will be the topic of discussion at the Strategic Planning Session. The schedule for the session will be as follows:

Friday Night – introduction of committee process to new members. A relevant speaker will be engaged for the dinner to set the tone of the weekend.

Saturday – workshop to address actions to become relevant to two or three stakeholders

1. Members
2. Employers
3. Public

Sunday – common themes for staff to develop to accomplish goals.

16. INFORMATION ITEMS

Information.

17. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

18. COUNCIL CAUCUS

Council held its caucus.