



Minutes of a meeting of **COUNCIL** of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of the Province of Manitoba, held on **Wednesday, June 17, 2009**, at 12:00h in the Association premises at 870 Pembina Highway, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3M 2M7

PRESENT: Don Himbeault; presiding; Alan Aftanas; Arthur Chapman; Sheila Dresen; Bill Girling; Rick Lemoine; Bob Malenko; Raymond Reichelt; Edward Ryczkowski; Don Spangelo; John Woods

ALSO PRESENT: Grant Koropatnick; Lorraine Dupas; Sharon Sankar, Mike Gregoire, William Boyce
David Ennis (Engineers Canada Director)
Arthur Erhardt (Keystone Professional Reporter)
Dr. Marolo Alfaro, Roman Nepomucino, Ramon Cairo, Arnel Obirez (for item 09.04.4)

REGRETS: Jeannette Montufar; Tim Corkery; Cindy Rodych; Brian Shortt

09.04.1 CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

President Himbeault called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m.

09.04.2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was **MOVED** by Raymond Reichelt and **SECONDED** by Rick Lemoine that the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

09.04.3 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF 14 May 2009

It was **MOVED** by Don Spangelo and **SECONDED** by Bob Malenko that the Minutes of the Council meeting of 14 May 2009 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

OWNERSHIP LINKAGE

09.04.4 01. PRESENTATION by Dr. Marolo Alfaro, Ph.D. P.Eng.

1:16 p.m. President Don Himbeault welcomed Dr. Marolo Alfaro.

Dr. Alfaro presented a proposal to Council to establish a group called the Association of Philippine-Educated Professional Engineers of Manitoba (APEPEM).

Dr. Alfaro introduced members of the Executive of the new association:
Ramon Cairo – President
Roman Nepomuceno – Vice-president
Arnel Oberez – Councillor

He advised that there will be two categories of membership:

- full member (P.Engs and EITs)
- provisional member (engineering graduates who are in the process of obtaining their academic requirements with APEGM)

Dr. Alfaro stated that some of the goals of the newly formed Association will be to:

- facilitate quick registration with APEGM,
- liaise with APEGM and other professional organizations that share mutual interest,
- improve the profile of the profession,
- establish a registry of Philippine-educated P.Engs and EITs in Manitoba,
- provide networking opportunities for its members,
- support the educational aspirations of future members by granting academic scholarships to deserving Philippine- educated engineers,
- undertake community service.

Dr. Alfaro concluded his presentation and answered questions from councillors.

He advised that:

- the focus of the association will be on engineers and that there may be geoscientist members in the future.
- the initial membership will comprise approximately ten full members (P.Engs and EITs) and 15 to 20 provisional members.
- the most important mandate of the Association will be to help members obtain professional registration and to help disseminate information from APEGM to the Philippine community.

1:44 p.m. President Himbeault thanked Dr. Alfaro for his presentation.

09.04.5 02. CPD Task Group Report – Presentation by Bill Girling, P.Eng.

Councillor Girling reported that the CPD sub-committee met last week. The sub-committee would like a proposal to go to the membership which would include phased-in mandatory reporting of Continuing Professional Development. The sub-committee has been reviewing the APEGGA

model for reporting CPD and found it to be very well-structured and easy to complete.

Council was reminded that, currently, professional development is not voluntary – only reporting of it is.

Councillors expressed concern that with over 5,000 members reporting, extra resources may be needed to review the CPD reports. Councillor Dresen stated that the Nurses Association has over 12,000 members reporting CPD. She advised that it will not be necessary to review all reports; but to have random audits.

Mike Gregoire recommended that a committee be formed to develop CPD forms (based on the APEGGA model) and to develop an audit program.

Council suggested that the committee also develop a strategy for dealing with members who are non-compliant.

It was MOVED by Bill Girling and SECONDED by Don Spangelo that Council will approve the formation of a committee that will put forward a proposal for mandatory continuing professional development to the AGM in the fall of 2010 and in the interim there will be a voluntary pilot program beginning November 2009.

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

Council accepted the Consent Agenda items.

09.04.6 C1. APPLICATIONS APPROVED BY THE REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

Council received a list of applications approved by the Registration Committee for the month of May 2009 (Appendix A).

COUNCIL EDUCATION - None

ITEMS FOR DECISION – None

GOVERNANCE

09.04.7 G1. ASSOCIATION OF PHILIPPINE EDUCATED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS OF MANITOBA (APEPEM)

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 17 June 2009 (Appendix B).

Council discussed Dr. Alfaro's presentation and the proposal to establish a group called the Association of Philippine-Educated Professional Engineers of Manitoba (APEPEGM).

Council was concerned that the acronym "APEPEM" may be too close to "APEGM" and may cause some confusion.

It was MOVED by John Woods and SECONDED by Rick Lemoine that APEGM Council supports, in principle, the mission of the group of Philippine-educated professional engineers and that APEGM work with them to establish an MOU and an appropriate name.

CARRIED

09.04.8 G2. FUNDING FOR WFEO PRESIDENCY

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 17 June 2009 (Appendix C) together with a memo from APEGGA President James Beckett, P.Eng.

APEGGA President James Beckett advised that Darrel Danyluk, P.Eng., past-president of Engineers Canada, has been nominated for president of the World Federation of Engineering Organizations (WFEO). Mr. Beckett noted that it would be a tremendous honour for Canada and would be the first time that a Canadian has held this position. He advised that Mr. Danyluk currently serves as Chair of the Environmental Committee of the WFEO.

WFEO activities are partially covered by existing funds committed by TD Meloche Monnex and APEGGA Council. Mr. Beckett noted in his memo that there will be some additional expense should Mr. Danyluk be elected to the presidency. The two years as President would involve extensive travel and related costs.

APEGGA is requesting that Engineers Canada funding for this project be provided by a special levy on constituent associations of 50 cents per member.

Mr. Koropatnick advised that Engineers Canada Manitoba Director Dave Ennis will attend a special meeting of the Board of Directors to discuss and vote on whether or not Engineers Canada should support the nomination of Darrel Danyluk to sit as president of the WFEO.

Council discussed whether or not it would support the nomination and APEGGA's request for funding.

It was MOVED by Rick Lemoine and SECONDED by Alan Aftanas that Council strongly encourages Engineers Canada Manitoba Director Dave Ennis, P.Eng. to vote in favour of the WFEO presidency proposal, but without funding support from APEGM.

CARRIED

09.04.9 APEGM COUNCIL LIAISON - UMES

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 17 June 2009 (Appendix D).

Council was advised that the MOU with UMES states that Council must appoint a representative to liaise with the student council.

Don Spangelo nominated Jeannette Montufar. Jeannette was not present.

This item was deferred to the September meeting.

09.04.10 G4 Strategic Planning Date

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 17 June 2009 (Appendix E).

Council agreed that the strategic planning day be planned for Thursday, September 3.

09.04.11 G5. REVIEW OF OUTSTANDING ACTION ITEMS LIST

Council considered a memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 17 June 2009 (Appendix F) and the cumulative outstanding action list from Council meetings after 14 May 2009.

Council reviewed the list.

- Appoint P.Geo to the Discipline Committee – in progress
- MSSS Science Fair name change – in progress
- Ownership Linkage –Yellowquill – in progress
- Agreement on Internal trade (AIT) – Feedback to Labour Mobility Coordinator – monitoring
- CPD Task Group - in progress (committee to be formed)

09.04.12 G6. Planning the Agenda for the Next Meeting and Assignment of GP Monitoring Responsibilities.

Council considered a memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 17 June 2009 and the proposed agenda for the next Council meeting on 10 September 2009 (Appendix G).

Add: EIT Industry program.

It was agreed that the following monitoring reports would be submitted:

E-6 Education Institutions engage in a mutually supportive relationship with APEGM – Alan Aftanas

EL - 4 Financial Condition – Grant Koropatnick

EL - 5 Asset Protection – Grant Koropatnick

EL - 6 Interactions with Members – Grant Koropatnick

EL - 7 Application of the Act – Grant Koropatnick

GP – 8 Code of Conduct – Don Spangelo

GP – 9 Conflict of Interest – Raymond Reichelt

MONITORING

09.04.13 Council considered a Monitoring Report, E-4 Government and Regulators Understand and Support the Role of APEGM, provided by Rick Lemoine, dated 17 June 2009 (Appendix H).

Council considered a Monitoring Report, EL -3 Financial Planning, provided by Grant Koropatnick, dated 17 June 2009 (Appendix I).

Council considered a Monitoring Report, EL – 8 Compensation and Benefits, provided by Grant Koropatnick, dated 17 June 2009 (Appendix J).

Council considered a Monitoring Report, GP-12 Council Linkages with Other Organizations, provided by Alan Aftanas, dated 17 June 2009 (Appendix K).

Council considered a Monitoring Report, GP – 13 Council Planning Cycle and Agenda Control, provided by Bob Malenko, dated 17 June 2009 (Appendix L).

GP - 15 Governance Succession Self-Monitoring Schedule
The Monitoring report was distributed at the meeting. (Appendix M).

It was MOVED by Alan Aftanas and SECONDED by Raymond Reichelt that Council accept the Governance Reports as presented.

CARRIED

INFORMATION ITEMS

09.04.14 Council considered and received the following information items (Appendix N):

N1. Membership statistics as at May 31, 2009

N2. Financial Statement – May 31, 2009

N3. Nominating Committee – Slate of Candidates

N4. Labour Mobility Act – Agreement on Internal Trade (AIT)

N5. Meeting with the Fairness Commissioner

President Himbeault stated that at a recent meeting with the Fairness Commissioner, APEGM was presented as a model of how to register internationally educated grads.

N6. Department of Geology 100th Anniversary

N7. Spaghetti Bridge and Winnipeg Harvest

N8. Engineers Canada – Manitoba Director's Report

N9. CCPG – Manitoba Director's Report

09.04.15 **V1. EVALUATION OF MEETING**

President Himbeault agreed that the meeting followed the style of governance to which it had been committed.

NICE TO KNOW ITEMS

09.04.16 F1. National Engineer Summit Declaration

F2. Engineers Canada – Between Us May 2009

F3. Where the Jobs Are: Skilled Professions

F4. Engineering Stereotypes Drive Counterproductive Practices

09.04.17 **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at 12:00 noon on Thursday 10 September 2009.

Don Himbeault, P.Eng.

President

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