



Minutes of a meeting of **COUNCIL** of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of the Province of Manitoba, held on **THURSDAY, December 8, 2011** in the Association premises at 870 Pembina Highway, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3M 2M7

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**PRESENT:** Adam Pawlikewich; presiding; Rajib Ahsan; Chris Beaumont-Smith; Luis Escobar; Marcia Friesen; Rick Lemoine; Dawn Nedohin-Macek; Jim Nicholson; Roger Rempel; Sheryl Rosenberg; Don Spangelo

**ALSO PRESENT:** Grant Koropatnick; Lorraine Dupas; Mike Gregoire; Sharon Sankar  
Observer: Dave Ennis

**REGRETS:** Bill Girling; Steven Vieweg

**11.07.1 CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS**

President Pawlikewich called the meeting to order at 12:36 p.m. All councillors and staff introduced themselves.

**11.07.2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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

CARRIED

**11.07.3 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF 15 September 2011**

It was **MOVED** by Don Spangelo and **SECONDED** by Dawn Nedohin-Macek that the Minutes of the Council meeting of 15 September 2011 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

*OWNERSHIP LINKAGE – none*

**11.07.4 CIPWIE - Terms of Reference**

Council considered a memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011.

Council was advised that a new committee called CIPWIE (Committee for the Increased Participation of Women in Engineering) has been formed.

The Committee's Terms of Reference were approved at a recent meeting. The Terms of Reference were forwarded to Council as information.

**11.07.5**      *CONSENT AGENDA*

Council approved the Consent Agenda items with the adoption of the agenda.

**11.07.6**      **C1. APPLICATIONS APPROVED BY THE REGISTRATION COMMITTEE**

Council received a list of applications approved by the Registration Committee for the months of September, October, and November 2011.

**C2. MANUAL OF ADMISSIONS REVISION**

- i. Table 3 Manual of Admissions
- ii. Table 3 Changes - New CPD policies
- iii. Exam Failure Policy

*COUNCIL EDUCATION –*

**11.07.7**      **D1. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS 2011 - 2012**

Council considered a memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011 listing the proposed Council meetings for 2012.

It was **MOVED** by Chris Beaumont-Smith and **SECONDED** by Rick Lemoine that Council approve the following schedule of meetings for 2012: January 12, March 15, May 17, June 14, September 13, and October 26 Annual General Meeting.

CARRIED

**11.07.8**      **D2. ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER**

A copy of "Basic Robert's Rules of Order" was made available for councillors to view on-line.

Council accepted this as information.

**11.07.9**      **D3. GP-10 COUNCILLOR CODE OF CONDUCT**  
**D4. COUNCILLOR PRIVACY DECLARATION**

Councillors were asked to read and sign the Code of Conduct/Conflict of Interest and Performance Declaration forms that were distributed at the meeting. Councillors were also asked

to sign the Privacy Declaration forms that were distributed at the meeting.

**11.07.10 D5. SUSAN ROGERS – GOVERNANCE POLICY - JANUARY 12, 2012**

Susan Rogers will attend the January 2012 Council meeting.

**11.07.11 G1. ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER**

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011.

Nominations for the position of Vice-President were made in accordance with the Nominating and Voting Procedures adopted for conducting this election.

Those nominated were: Rick Lemoine, Dawn Nedohin-Macek, Roger Rempel, Don Spangelo.

President Pawlikewich asked each nominee whether they would allow their name to stand.

Rick Lemoine declined the nomination.  
Don Spangelo declined the nomination.  
Roger Rempel declined the nomination.  
Dawn Nedohin-Macek agreed to let her name stand.

Dawn Nedohin-Macek was declared Vice-President.

President Pawlikewich then called for nominations for the position of Executive Committee Member.

Those nominated for the position of Executive Committee Member in accordance with the Nominating and Voting Procedures were:

Rajib Ahsan - Mr. Ahsan declined the nomination.  
Luis Escobar- Mr. Escobar declined the nomination.  
Rick Lemoine - Mr. Lemoine accepted the nomination.  
Roger Rempel - Mr. Rempel declined the nomination.  
Don Spangelo – Mr. Spangelo accepted the nomination.

Council voted by secret ballot.

Ballots were counted and Don Spangelo was elected Executive Committee Member.

**11.07.12 G2. Continuing Competency Committee - Members**

**G2b. Continuing Competency Committee -Council Liaison**

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011.

Mike Gregoire spoke about the committee membership.

It was MOVED by Don Spangelo and SECONDED by Rajib Ahsan that Council approve the appointment of the following members to the Continuing Competency Committee: Brian Blahey, P.Eng., Michelle Nicolas, P.Geo., Neil Mackley, P.Eng., Brea Williams, P.Eng., David Ford, P.Eng., Dick Johnson, P.Eng., Bob Harrison, P.Eng., Bart Flisak, P.Eng., Alf Poetker, P.Eng., Mohsen S Abdel-Hadi, P.Eng., Paul Janzen, P.Eng., Sebastian Walrond, P.Eng., James Gunning, P.Eng., Henry Hernandez, P.Eng., Jason Pillipow, P.Eng., Karen Wong, P.Eng.

CARRIED

Council recommended that either Brian Blahey or Michelle Nicolas be appointed Chair of the CCC.

It was MOVED by Rick Lemoine and SECONDED by Roger Rempel that Don Spangelo be appointed to the position of Council liaison to the Continuing Competency Committee.

CARRIED

**11.07.13 G3. EGAIAR JOINT BOARD MEMBER**

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011.

It was MOVED by Don Spangelo and SECONDED by Marcia Friesen that Council appoint, Luis Escobar, P. Eng. as the APEGM Council liaison to the EGAIAR Joint Board for 2012.

CARRIED

**11.07.14 G4. APEGM FOUNDATION- COUNCIL LIAISON**

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011.

Grant Koropatnick provided background on the Foundation. The Foundation supports engineering and geoscience education in the province.

It was MOVED by Rick Lemoine and SECONDED by Dawn Nedohin-Macek that Councillor Chris Beaumont-Smith be appointed as the Council liaison to the APEGM Foundation for 2012.

CARRIED

**11.07.15 G5. GEOSCIENTISTS CANADA DIRECTOR - APPOINTMENT**

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011.

It was MOVED by Chris Beaumont-Smith and SECONDED by Rick Lemoine that Council approve the appointment of Raymond Reichelt, P.Ge. to the position of Geoscientists Canada Manitoba Director effective until June 1, 2013.

CARRIED

**11.07.16 G6. UMES – COUNCIL LIAISON**

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011.

This item is deferred to the January 2012 meeting.

**11.07.17 G7. ADVOCACY TASK GROUP**

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011.

President Pawlikewich provided background information. He stated that this item came about as a result of the Bipole III issue.

Councillor Rempel, Chair of the Advocacy Task Group, stated that the Task Group was formed to develop a framework that will assist Council in determining the Association's role in advocacy. He stated that there is not enough clarity around the issue of advocacy the way the Act and By-laws are written.

Council discussed this issue.

Observer Dave Ennis stated that he is heartened that Council is hearing this matter. It was his opinion that most of those present at

the June Special Meeting did not agree with our legal counsel's opinion. He suggested that Council contact other Manitoba professional associations to see what they are doing regarding advocacy.

He strongly urged Council to get a second legal opinion regarding the Association's role in advocacy.

Councillor Rempel agreed to do a write-up on the formation of the task group that will be communicated to the membership.

It was MOVED by Dawn Nedohin-Macek and SECONDED by Chris Beaumont-Smith that the composition of the task group is:

- the Chair is a council member,
- one professional engineer from council,
- one professional geoscientist from council,
- no fewer than seven, and no more than ten, members in good standing, and
- authorize the Chair to populate the task group within three months.

CARRIED

Councillor Lemoine volunteered to serve on the Task Group.  
Dave Ennis volunteered to serve on the Task Group.

**11.07.18 G8. APPEAL SUB-COMMITTEE - INVESTIGATION DECISION**

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011.

Mr. Koropatnick provided background information on the complaint.

It was MOVED by Dawn Nedohin-Macek and SECONDED by Rick Lemoine that Marcia Friesen, Jim Nicholson, and Sheryl Rosenberg be appointed to the Appeal Committee.

CARRIED

**11.07.19 G9. APPEAL SUB-COMMITTEE - DISCIPLINE DECISION**

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011.

Mr. Koropatnick advised that a member has rejected the decision of the Discipline Panel and has appealed the decision to Council under section 53 of the Act.

It was MOVED by Chris Beaumont-Smith and SECONDED by Dawn Nedohin-Macek that Rick Lemoine, Rajib Ahsan, Marcia Friesen, Jim Nicholson, Steven Vieweg (and Luis Escobar as an alternate) be appointed to the Appeal Committee.

CARRIED

**11.07.20 G10. CANADIAN FRAMEWORK FOR LICENSURE**

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011.

Mr. Koropatnick spoke to the background memo. He stated that that the Association's policies and procedures closely follow the first four elements of the Canadian Framework for Licensure.

It was MOVED by Don Spangelo and SECONDED by Rajib Ahsan that Council approve the first four Canadian Framework for Licensure elements as presented and that Engineers Canada be notified of the motion.

CARRIED

**11.07.21 G11. INTERNATIONALLY TRAINED GEOSCIENTISTS - FRAMEWORK APPROVAL**

Council considered a document from Geoscientists Canada entitled "Framework for Assessment in the Licensing of Professional Geoscientists in Canada".

Mr. Koropatnick advised that the Framework matches what the Association is already doing.

It was MOVED by Chris Beaumont-Smith and SECONDED by Don Spangelo to accept the Internationally Trained Geoscientists Framework as presented.

CARRIED

**11.07.22 G12. REVIEW OF OUTSTANDING ACTION ITEMS LIST**

Council considered a memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011 and the cumulative outstanding action list from Council meetings after 15 September 2011:

Council reviewed the list.

- CPD Task Group – completed
- Advocacy Task Group - in progress
- Appeal Committee - (Kane) – in progress (held in abeyance)

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- Appeal Committee - (Kathwaroon) - in progress
- Appeal committee - (Dorn) - in progress

**11.07.23 G13. Planning the Agenda for the Next Meeting and Assignment of GP Monitoring Responsibilities.**

Council considered a memo from Grant Koropatnick dated 8 December 2011 and the proposed agenda for the next Council meeting on 12 January 2012.

If councillors have anything they want placed on the agenda, please e-mail President Pawlikewich or Mr. Koropatnick.

*MONITORING - EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS AND ENDS*

**11.07.23 M1. EL-2.1 FINANCIAL CONDITION REPORT**

*COUNCIL PERFORMANCE – NONE*

*EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS – NONE*

*COUNCIL – EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RELATIONSHIP*

*INFORMATION ITEMS*

**11.07.24** Council considered and received the following information items

N1. Membership statistics as at November 30, 2011

N2. Financial Statement October 31, 2011

N3. Role of the Past President.

N4. Manitoba Economic Highlights - November

N5. Natural Gas "Fracking" - APEGGA Fact Sheet.

N6. Engineers Canada Director's Report

N7. Geoscientists Canada Director's Report

N8. Press Release - CEC Public Hearings on BiPole III

N9. Strange e-mails

N10. Federal Funding to Engineers Canada

**11.07.25 V1. EVALUATION OF MEETING**

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



Councillors were reminded that Roberts Rules of Order states that no member is allowed to speak a second time on an issue until all others have had the opportunity to speak for the first time on the same issue.

*NICE TO KNOW ITEMS*

- 11.07.26** F1. Between Us - Engineers Canada Newsletter  
F2. Sons & Daughters Scholarship - Thank You  
F3. Iron Ring Ceremony - Winnipeg Free Press  
F4. Cartoon Pick-of-the-Week

**11.07.27** **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at 12:00 noon on 12 January 2012.

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Adam Pawlikewich, P.Eng.  
President

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Grant Koropatnick, P.Eng.  
Executive Director & Registrar