



DEGIRS

The Division of Engineers and Geoscientists in the Resource Sector

DEGIRS Executive Meeting
2:00pm, January 24, 2017

Minutes

Call in numbers:

Toll free 1-888-882-9090

Participant 3929162

Executives: LD, MF, VS, JK, RH

Expected Guests: Amit P, Peter M

Possible Executive(s): AL

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Executive Regrets: KG, AL, EF

1.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA VS/ RH

2.0 ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

December – everyone review and adopt in February

3.0 MONTHLY REPORTS/UPDATES (*advise status of actions items from last meeting – see minutes of November Meeting*)

APEGBC Liaison Report (Practice related) – Peter Mitchell.

- JPB completed the third draft of the WAG on January 17, next meeting Feb 8 to review.
- Lee: meeting next week for Crossing Guidelines on conference call.

APEGBC Liaison Report (Administration related) – Amit Plaha

- introduced role, revamping TOR for divisions modernizing, more streamlined and less informational, more uniformity in rules and procedures.
- Division executive guide between executive and APEGBC procedures for non-practise related issues. Thank you to Amit for assistance in educational talks.

Chair Report LD –Items Addressed / correspondence with Mike Larock of ABCFP / Email hacks / Climate change presentation in March

- Talking to Mike Larock and Jon Lok to discuss more collaboration between groups, training opportunities, raise standard of practice and safety in practice area, introduction between specialists, working document for outling these, document pending, JPB is main agreement and practice overlap, Mike Larock concerned that it remains an equal partnership, no equivalent group in ABCFP analogous to DEGIRS (costs, organization efforts), or start a standalone group for both to join but then competitive to DEGIRS not a good plan.
- DEGIRS chair email hack has happened again, Amit alerted, APEGBC notified
- APEGBC contacted Lee regarding assisting in training opportunity for professionals in resource sector in design flow hydrology, with climate change, bridge design, mid to late March, sponsored by FLNRO Brian Chow, inexpensive in Richmond, Mathias Jakob also speaking. Climate Change Working group
- Schedule full at ABCFP and not convinced it was in their best interest to have DEGIRS at the conference, suggested submitting an article to the BC Forest Professional magazine. Next year AGM in Victoria so if momentum is there,



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probably a better venue in 2018 for value

- Lee to follow up on Forest engineering excellence award nomination dates
- Lee volunteered to update the DEGIRS application form for membership for non-APEGBC members, no DEGIRS icon and no forest technologist option

Treasurers Report RH

- \$10,481 in account, still some outstanding expenses for AGM, be sure to send in receipts

Secretaries Report AL – Next meeting if Anastasia unavailable

Aspect Report VS – General Update.

- Will make a motion to shift calendar of issues, and possible subcontract to an outside formatter. Victoria to get quote.

Website JK –

- some updates completed, some email links to fix, pressing is the bursary date advertisement.
- JK to follow up on wiki site for new exec.
- Lee to connect Derek to Ed and make sure last year's applicants have received the free membership.
- Roles and Professional designations to be updated

Bursary EF – RH

- spoke with Ed this morning, looking for direction on the role, description is on the wiki site for his review. Lee to follow up.

AGM Coordinator MF –

- Lee to send Tim and Eric's information,
- Jen from APEG sent some dates, February 6 conference call. Deadline is February 27 for technical submissions.
- Younes Alila will be contacted. Other suggestions?

Education VS –

- February 23 next talk on landslide runout.
- Victoria to follow-up on March talk and possible folisol talk.
- Lee to follow up on folisol talk and coordinate with Victoria.

4.0 FINANCES

- i) Expenditure on ASPECT
- ii) Expenditure on educational speakers
- iii) Webinar revenue

5.0 EXEC DISCUSSIONS / OPEN FLOOR ISSUES

- I. Terms of Reference Update – table until Amit provides draft of APEGBC TOR for divisions.
- II. Discuss Affiliate Membership fees – Affiliate members paying full price but don't have voting rights, should we drop the price of affiliate members to same as associate members, Amit confirmed it could be changed in our TOR. JK suggested membership fee as we are providing more value to the membership, and should review. RH do we need more money, LD doesn't like



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optics of raised fees and thinks we should try to make some revenue on educational talks. Explore increasing fees at AGM.

III. Open Floor Issues

6.0 ADMINISTRATION

Next meetings: - Feb 2016 (Teleconference)

7.0 ADJOURN RH/JK