

APPROVED

*91<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING* Kim Farwell, P.Eng., FEC, Chair Fairmont Palliser Hotel – Crystal Ballroom Calgary, Alberta Saturday, April 16, 2011, 8:30 am

## **MINUTES**

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:40 a.m. President Kim Farwell, P.Eng., FEC chaired the meeting.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, and announced that the AGM was connected to the Branches by webcasting.

## 2. DECLARATION OF QUORUM

One hundred and two (102) professional members registered to complete the quorum requirements stated in Bylaw 16(3), and approximately one hundred and thirty seven (137) people were in attendance.

It was announced that, as required by Bylaw 16(2), notice of the meeting was published in the December 2009 edition of *The PEGG* thus fulfilling the 90 day notification period to the membership. Parliamentarian for the meeting was Barry Massing, LLB, legal counsel, and the meeting was conducted in accordance with the Robert's Rules of Order as per Bylaw 20-1.

#### 3. RULES FOR THE MEETING

The rules for the meeting were reviewed.

#### 4. INTRODUCTION OF HEAD TABLE

The platform participants were introduced as follows:	
President	Kim Farwell, P.Eng., FEC
President Elect	Jim Smith, P.Eng., FEC
Past President	Jim Beckett, P.Eng., FEC
Vice President	Dick Walters, P.Eng., FEC
Registrar	Al Schuld, P.Eng., FEC
Legal Counsel	Barry Massing, LLB

## 5. INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

The introduction of several special visitors and guests were made.

#### 6. GREETINGS FROM GOVERNMENT

Adrian Pritchard, Director, Professions and Occupations with the Department of Employment and Immigration, brought greetings from the Government of Alberta.

# 7. PAYMENT OF RESPECT TO MEMBERS DECEASED SINCE THE 2010 ANNUAL MEETING

A moment of silence for deceased members was observed.

#### 8. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ELECTION RESULTS

The President announced the results of the election, as reported by the Ballot Counting Committee, as follows:

President: President-Elect: Vice-President:	Jim Smith, P.Eng., FEC Leah Lawrence, P.Eng. Colin Yeo, P.Geol.
Councillors: (each serving a 3 year term)	George Jergeas, P.Eng., PhD Chris Ketchum, P.Eng. Ginger Rogers, P.Geol. Heidi Yang, P.Eng., FEC
(serving a 1 year term)	Hartley Harris, P.Eng.

## 9. OBJECTION TO ELECTION RESULTS

As there were no objections to the election results, the President advised that, pursuant to Section 10(3) of the Bylaws, the ballots and tally sheets would be destroyed.

#### 10. MINUTES OF 2010 GENERAL MEETINGS

MOVED BY LEAH LAWRENCE AND SECONDED BY SHAWN MORRISON

THAT the Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 11. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

### 12. AUDITOR'S REPORT

MOVED BY MARY ANN BYRD AND SECONDED BY KEN PORTEOUS

THAT the Financial Statements for the year ending December 31, 2010 be approved as published.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 13. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR FOR 2011

MOVED BY CHAN WIRASINGE AND SECONDED BY SUZANNE KRESTA That Kingston Ross Pasnak, LLP, be appointed as auditor for 2011. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### 14. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President presented her report for the 2010/11 term as published in the Annual Report.

## 15. ANNUAL REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND BRANCHES

MOVED BY DARREL DANYLUK AND SECONDED BY HEIDI YANG

THAT the annual reports of the Association and Branches be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 16. CONSTITUENT ASSOCIATION REPORTS

The President noted that there were reports in the member folders from the following associations: Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia, Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Saskatchewan, and Professional Engineers Ontario.

## 17. GREETINGS FROM ENGINEERS CANADA

Brent Smith, P.Eng., FEC, President-Elect of Engineers Canada, brought greetings, and highlighted Engineers Canada activities.

#### 18. GREETINGS FROM GEOSCIENTISTS CANADA

John Hogg, P.Geol., Director of Geoscientists Canada, brought greetings and highlighted the activities of Geoscientists Canada.

# 19. GREETINGS FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONALS OF ALBERTA (ASET)

Dave Merralls, R.E.T., P.L.(Eng.), Past President of ASET, brought greetings.

#### 20. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

#### 21. APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR 2011/12

The recommended composition of the 2011/12 Nominating Committee was presented, and further recommendations requested from the floor. There were no additions or deletions from the floor.

#### MOVED BY KAREN HENRY AND SECONDED BY DAN MOTYKA

THAT the recommendation for composition of the 2011/12 Nominating Committee be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 22. DATES FOR THE 2012, 2013 AND 2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

MOVED BY KEN PORTEOUS AND SECONDED BY JOHN HOGG

THAT the following dates and locations be approved for future Annual General Meetings:

2012	April 21 Edmonton
2013	April 20 Calgary
2014	April 26 Edmonton

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 23. ISSUES FORUM

#### 23.1 Status of Bill 3 Engineering Geological and Geophysical Professions Amendment Act 2011

The President advised that Bill 3 Engineering Geological and Geophysical Professions Amendment Act passed its first reading on February 23, passed its second

reading March 15, passed its third reading March 17, and received Royal Assent on March 18 outside of House sitting. It will come into force on proclamation after related regulations have been completed and approved by Cabinet with an estimated completion in the summer of 2011.

## 23.2 Other Business

The President summarized the situation to date concerning the evacuation of seven condominium buildings (Penhorwood Place) in Fort McMurray due to various safety concerns. The primary concern was the potential rupture of gas lines, and not wanting to shut the gas off during cold weather, the better solution was to remove the people. Investigation is underway through the Municipality, the condo association, and others who have engaged many members of APEGGA in following up on those investigations. To date there has been no formal complaint raised to APEGGA. In the information available there have been allegations that suggest there could be issues with respect to practice of potentially both engineering and geoscience, including structural and mechanical aspects of the buildings. Currently APEGGA's Executive Committee, Practice Review Board, and Investigative Committee are determining the proper entrance into further investigation of this matter in order to be as effective as possible.

In response to a question regarding dialogue with architects concerning cross-over issues, the Chair responded that no formal contact has been made in that respect but it would be advisable to speak with them on the issue.

In response to the question of how a member of the general public goes about making a formal complaint, the Registrar replied that any member of the general public can make a formal complaint to APEGGA in writing by identifying themselves as complainant, as well as the member they are complaining about. The nature of the complaint should speak to competence or conduct that the complainant believes is not in the public interest.

It was mentioned that an Authentication Stamping Guideline has been posted on the APEGGA website for review and that comments from members are invited.

## 24. INDUCTION OF PRESIDENT

President Farwell made comments about her tenure, and then introduced the incoming President, Jim Smith, P.Eng., FEC, who read and declared the Oath of Office of the President. In a short acceptance speech, President Smith mentioned that in a healthy organization the work is never done; he looks forward to the challenge ahead, and continuing the pursuit of excellence.

## 25. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 9:45 a.m.