



Minutes of the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of the Province of Manitoba, held at The Fort Garry Hotel, Winnipeg, Manitoba on **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2007** at 11:30 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND OFFICIAL OPENING

President Robyn Taylor called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the 88th Annual General Meeting of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of the Province of Manitoba. She confirmed that a quorum (more than 50 members) was present.

Ms. Taylor advised that the meeting was being recorded.

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR DECEASED MEMBERS

Ms. Taylor read the names of the members, deceased during the year (Appendix A).

A moment of silence was observed in their memory.

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Notice of Meeting (Appendix B), which had been included in the Summer 2007 edition of The Keystone Professional, was read by the Secretary, Mr. Grant Koropatnick.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was MOVED by Mr. Ken Buhr and SECONDED by Mr. Charlie Bouskill that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

INTRODUCTION OF THE COUNCIL AND STAFF

The members of Council, including the three Councillors appointed under the Act, and the APEGM staff were introduced.

Ms. Taylor also introduced Mr. Dave Ennis, the APEGM Director on the Board of the Canadian Council of Professional Engineers; Mr. Gary Ostry, the APEGM Director on the Board of the Canadian Council of Professional Geoscientists; Mr. Wells Peever, the Association's legal counsel; and Mr. Dave Anderson, from the firm BDO Dunwoody – the Association's Auditors.

INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Dr. Jayas introduced the Chairs of the Committees and Chapters who were in attendance.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS AND ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. Taylor recognized the invited guests from outside of Manitoba, most of whom were representing other engineering or geoscience organizations:

- Ken McMartin – Past President of Engineers Canada
- Marc Bourgeois – Director of Communications of Engineers Canada
- Colin Moore – Regional Councillor of Professional Engineers Ontario
- Stephen Halabura - Past President of the Saskatchewan Association
- Gordon Williams – Past President of the Alberta Association

Ms. Taylor informed the meeting that greetings from those representatives could be found in the folders provided for the meeting.

Dr. Jayas also introduced:

- Doug Ruth – Dean of Engineering at the University of Manitoba;
- Hamid Mumin – Dept. of Geology, Brandon University and President of the Canadian Council of Professional Geoscientists;
- Ron Britton – Associate Dean – Faculty of Engineering, University of Manitoba, Chair in Design Engineering, and Founder of the Internationally Educated Engineering Qualification Program (IEEQ);
- Phillip Dompierre – Senior Stick – UMES
- Megan Lusty – Vice Stick – UMES.

Ms. Taylor recognized the representatives of the other related Manitoba professions.

Manitoba Association of Architects (MAA) – Jim Wagner, President, and Judy Pestrak, Executive Director

Certified Technicians and Technologists Association of Manitoba – David Little, Vice President

Association of Manitoba Land Surveyors – Mr. Wilson?

Ms. Taylor transferred the Chair to Dr. Digvir Jayas

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Ms. Taylor drew the meetings attention to her report printed in the 2006-2007 Annual Report (Appendix C) and brought the meeting up to date on some of the highlights which included:

- Council's multi-year strategic plan, which includes continuing professional development, government relations and enforcement of the Act.
- The 2006 Annual General Meeting, which was hosted by the Thompson Chapter;
- Engineers Canada AGM held in Winnipeg in May 2007.

Ms. Taylor concluded her report by welcoming Tim Corkery as the new President of APEGM and stating that he will provide superb leadership in the coming year.

Dr. Jayas called for questions. The President's report was received as read.

Ms. Taylor returned to the Chair.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF OCTOBER 22, 2005

It was MOVED by Mr. Ganpat Lodha and SECONDED by Mr. Dave Ennis that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of October 28, 2006 (Appendix D) be accepted as read and adopted.

CARRIED

REPORT OF THE SCRUTINEERS - COUNCILLORS ELECTED FOR 2007-2009

Ms. Taylor read the report of the Scrutineers (Appendix E).

She announced that, in accordance with section 8(1) of The Engineering and Geoscience Professions Act, the following were elected to Council for a two year term:

Engineers:

- Alan M. Aftanas
- William C. Girling
- Donald D. Himbeault
- Bob R. Malenko

Geoscientist:

- Raymond A. S. Reichelt

It was MOVED by Mr. Alan Silk and SECONDED by Ms. Cathy Stewart that the report of the scrutineers on the result of the voting for the 2007 election to the Council be received.

CARRIED

Ms. Taylor also reported that the Councillors appointed under section 8(2) of the Act for the 2007-2009 term are:

- Arthur Chapman
- Brian Shortt

Mr. Taylor congratulated those who had been elected and expressed sincere appreciation to those members who had let their names stand in nomination but who were not elected.

Ms. Taylor announced that, in accordance with By-law No.4.2.1.1 of the

Association, Tim Corkery, P.Geo. would become the President of the Association at the close of the meeting and that his term of office would continue until the end of the 2008 Annual General Meeting.

AUDITORS' REPORT AND THE JUNE 30, 2007 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Ms. Taylor referred the meeting to the Auditor's Report ([Appendix F](#)).

She noted that council had approved the report as part of its governance policies and process. She added that the statement makes provision for the appropriation to the APEGM Foundation Inc. and that the money is in an internally restricted fund for that purpose.

It was MOVED by Mr. Hugh Roche and SECONDED by Mr. John Rooney that the Auditors' Report for the year ending June 30, 2007 be received.

CARRIED

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

It was MOVED by Mr. David Ford and SECONDED by Mr. Charlie Bouskill that BDO Dunwoody LLP be appointed as the Association's auditors for the 2007 -2008 fiscal year.

CARRIED

2007/2008 BUDGET AND SCHEDULE OF DUES AND FEES

Ms. Taylor referred the meeting to the 2007/2008 Budget and the 2008 Schedule of Dues and Fees ([Appendix G](#)).

Ms. Taylor announced that both the Budget and Fee Schedule had been previously approved by Council in accordance with the By-laws and were on the agenda to provide an opportunity for questions and comments to the Council.

She advised that there would be a dues increase this year for both professional members and MITs. She noted that the fee for practicing members will be \$300, an increase of 9.5%. She explained that the increase would generate revenue to expand programming, upgrade technology, and offset rising costs of rent, wages, and benefits.

There being no comments or questions, Ms. Taylor requested the Secretary to record that the 2007-2008 Budget and the 2008 Schedule of Dues and Fees were considered and received as information.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Ms. Taylor informed the meeting that this item was on the agenda to select five members to serve on the Nominating Committee.

She advised that the Nominating Committee had important responsibilities and a significant workload. She noted that not only does the Committee nominate members for election to Council; it is also responsible for recommending persons to serve on external Boards and Committees.

Ms. Taylor reviewed the composition of the Committee, as set out in its Terms of Reference, and invited nominations for the five positions to be filled at the Annual Meeting.

Mr. Allan Silk nominated Dr. Doug Chapman. Dr. Chapman agreed to serve.

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Ms. Neemee Aquino nominated Ms. Doina Priscu. Ms. Priscu agreed to serve.

As there were no more nominations forthcoming it was MOVED by Mr. Allan Ball and SECONDED by Mr. Ganpat Lodha that nominations close.

CARRIED

Ms. Taylor advised that the remaining two positions on the Nominating Committee would be filled by Council.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES AND STAFF

Ms. Taylor referred the meeting to the 2006-2007 Annual Report (Appendix C).

Ms. Taylor noted that the report also contains the Council Governance Policy, the Minutes of the last AGM, the Auditor's Report and Financial Statement, and the Budget and Schedule of Fees and Dues for the year ending June 20, 2008.

It was MOVED by Dr. Ron Britton and SECONDED by Mr. Dave Ennis that the Committee and Staff reports, as published in the 2006-2007 Annual Report, be accepted.

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS

President Robyn Taylor announced that By-law 5.1.4 provided for resolutions to be put forward and voted upon at the Annual General Meeting.

Mr. Grant Koropatnick advised that no resolutions had been received.

RECOGNITION OF RETIRING COUNCILLORS

Ms. Taylor recognized the contributions of the following retiring Councillors:

Digvir Jayas for three years on Council;
Avery Ascher for two years on Council;

GAVEL CEREMONY

The Scott gavel was passed from Ms. Robyn Taylor to Mr. Tim Corkery in accordance with the official ceremony for turning over the gavel to the incoming president. Mr. Corkery signed the scroll, which was then returned to its place in the gavel.

INCOMING PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Mr. Corkery expressed his sincere thanks to Council for electing him as Vice-President. He gave a brief account of his academic, work and family background.

He stated that engineers, like doctors, lawyers and several other professions were privileged to be self regulated and he quoted the first level Ends - "APEGM exists so that the public interest is protected and promoted through the professional excellence of engineers and geoscientists who have the privilege to self regulate".

But, he added, this self regulation comes with a price. He continued to say that engineers and geoscientists were responsible for managing all aspect of their profession and that to do this APEGM utilized the Carver method of Policy Governance, which ensures that the Council is accountable to its members, the government, and the public and that the Executive Director is accountable to the Council.

CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Taylor announced that:

- Provincial Engineering and Geoscience Week will be the first week in March 2008, and that there would be a number of activities sponsored by APEGM;
- Nominations for Awards are accepted through the APEGM office at any time.
- The Fifth Annual "Making Links Engineering Classic" Golf Tournament would be held on June 12, 2008. This year we raised \$12,500 for the University of Manitoba.

At 12:10 a.m. it was MOVED by Mr. Dave Ennis and SECONDED by Dr. Digvir Jayas that the meeting be adjourned.

G. Koropatnick, P.Eng.
Executive Director & Registrar

R. L. Taylor, P.Eng.
President