

Minutes: 2012 Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the **Annual General Meeting** of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Manitoba, held at The Fort Garry Hotel, Winnipeg, Manitoba on **Friday, October 26, 2012.**

Call To Order and Official Opening

Those present stood for the playing of the National Anthem.

President Adam Pawlikewich called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. and welcomed everyone to the 93rd Annual General Meeting of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Manitoba. He confirmed that 62 members were present - which constituted quorum.

Mr. Pawlikewich advised that the meeting was being recorded.

Moment of Silence for Deceased Members

Mr. Pawlikewich read the names of the members deceased during the year.

A moment of silence was observed in their memory.

Notice of Meeting

The Notice of Meeting, which had been included in the Summer 2012 edition of The Keystone Professional, was read by the Secretary, Mr. Grant Koropatnick.

Approval of the Agenda

It was MOVED by Dr. Doug Chapman and SECONDED by Mr. John Woods that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Introduction of the Council and Staff

The members of Council and the APEGM staff were introduced.

Mr. Pawlikewich also introduced Raymond Reichelt, the APEGM Director on the Board of Geoscientists Canada; Wells Peever, the Association's legal counsel; and Matthew Wedlake, from the firm BDO Canada – the Association's Auditors.

Introduction of Committee Chairs

Mr. Pawlikewich introduced the Chairs of the Committees and Chapters who were in attendance.

Recognition of Guests and Association Representatives

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

- ▲ Marie Carter – COO Engineers Canada
- ▲ Jim Beckett - President Elect - Engineers Canada
- ▲ Tim Corkery - President - Geoscientists Canada
- ▲ Annette Bergeron - President-Elect - PEO
- ▲ Jim Smith - Past President, APEGA
- ▲ Dwayne Gelowitz - President-Elect - APEGS
- ▲ Bob McDonald - Director of Membership and Legal Services - APEGS

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

Mr. Pawlikewich recognized the representatives of the other related Manitoba organizations:

- ▲ David Kressock - President, Manitoba Association of Architects
- ▲ Judy Pestrak - Executive Director, Manitoba Association of Architects

Mr. Pawlikewich introduced Jim Beckett, who brought greetings from Engineers Canada.

Mr. Pawlikewich then introduced Tim Corkery who brought greetings from Geoscientists Canada.

Mr. Pawlikewich transferred the Chair to Past President Bill Girling.

Report of the President

Mr. Pawlikewich drew the meetings attention to his report printed in the 2011-2012 Annual Report and spoke to some of the highlights which included:

- ▲ The Continuing Professional Development Program went live this year. Adam encouraged members to log in to their APEGM account and see how easy it is to get going in the new program.
- ▲ There has been significant effort this year by the Advocacy Task Force to help Council understand its role and responsibilities as it relates to advocacy “where the public interest is at risk” as called for in the Act.
- ▲ APEGM was well represented at the three Engineers Canada meetings this past year and provided input to a number of important issues.
- ▲ APEGM was also represented at the Geoscientist Canada meetings.

Mr. Pawlikewich concluded his report by welcoming Dawn Nedohin-Macek as the new President of APEGM.

Mr. Girling called for questions. The President’s report was received as read.

It was MOVED by Mr. John Woods and SECONDED by Mr. Jim Nicholson that the President’s report be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Mr. Pawlikewich returned to the Chair.

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It was MOVED by Mr. Dave Ennis and SECONDED by Mr. Lawrence Ferchoff that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of October 28, 2011 be accepted as read and adopted.

CARRIED

Report From The Advocacy Task Force (ATF)

Roger Rempel, Chair of the Advocacy Task Force, provided an update on the work of the ATF. He advised that he presented, on behalf of the ATF, to the membership as part of yesterday’s AGM Professional Development workshop.

Roger advised that the task force comprises two APEGM councillors, two APEGM past-presidents, one past Executive Director of APEGM, one public representative, and one APEGM staff-support person.

After considering the information it received from legal counsel, the task force recommended to Council that APEGM is obligated to advocate on issues related to its professions and expertise when the public interest is at risk.

Roger advised that the ATF held a member info session on June 26. He stated that the task force received good feedback from those present.

The task force has developed a preliminary advocacy process framework and will continue to refine the framework based on feedback from the membership and Council.

The plan is to present a draft by-law to Council at its May 2013 meeting and have it approved at Council's June meeting, so that a by-law can be presented to the membership for voting in 2013.

Roger concluded his presentation by answering questions from the meeting.

He invited the membership to attend the next ATF info sessions and to contact the task force if anyone had any comments or suggestions.

Report Of The Scrutineers - Councillors Elected For 2011-2013

Mr. Pawlikewich read the report of the Scrutineers.

He 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:

- ▲ Howard Procyshyn
- ▲ Roger Rempel
- ▲ Guenter Schaub
- ▲ Don Spangelo

Geoscientist:

- ▲ Rick Lemoine

It was MOVED by Mr. Allan Silk and SECONDED by Mr. Julian Nedohin-Macek that the report of the scrutineers on the result of the voting for the 2012 election to the Council be received.

CARRIED

Mr. Pawlikewich congratulated those who had been elected.

Mr. Pawlikewich announced that, in accordance with By-law No.4.2.1.1 of the Association, Dawn Nedohin-Macek, P.Eng. would become the President of the Association at the close of the meeting and that her term of office would continue until the end of the 2013 Annual General Meeting.

Report of the Scrutineers - Proposed By-Law Changes

Mr. Pawlikewich advised the meeting that Council proposed to amend five by-laws.

He noted that these By-law changes were received and approved by Council at the meeting of 13 September 2012. The Legislation Committee reviewed and drafted the final wording.

Copies of the proposed by-law changes were sent to all members for voting.

The ballots were counted at 9:00 a.m. on Friday 22 October 2012.

Proposed By-Law Changes for MIT Representative to Council	Pass
Amendment to By-Law 12.1.1	Pass
Amendment to By-Law 15.7	Pass
Amendment to By-Law 15.8	Pass
Amendment to By-Law 16	Pass

It was MOVED by Mr. Lawrence Ferchoff and SECONDED by Mr. Julian Nedohin-Macek that the report of the scrutineers on the result of the voting for the 2012 By-law vote be received.

CARRIED

Auditors' Report and the June 30, 2012 Financial Statement

Mr. Pawlikewich referred the meeting to the Auditor's Report.

He noted that Council had approved the report as part of its governance policies and process.

It was MOVED by Mr. Luis Escobar and SECONDED by Mr. Dave Ennis that the Auditors' Report for the year ending June 30, 2012 be received

CARRIED

Appointment of Auditors

It was MOVED by Mr. Bob McKibbin and SECONDED by Mr. Allan Silk that BDO Canada LLP be appointed as the Association's auditors for the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

CARRIED

2012/2013 Budget and Schedule of Dues and Fees

Mr. Pawlikewich referred the meeting to the 2012/2013 Budget and the 2013 Schedule of Dues and Fees.

Mr. Pawlikewich 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.

There being no comments or questions, Mr. Pawlikewich requested the Secretary to record that the 2012/2013 Budget and the 2013 Schedule of Dues and Fees were considered and received as information.

Nominating Committee Appointments

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

Mr. Pawlikewich 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.

- ▲ Sharon Sankar nominated Ed Ryczkowski. Mr. Ryczkowski accepted the nomination.
- ▲ Doug Chapman nominated Allan Silk. Mr. Silk accepted the nomination.
- ▲ Amarjit Chadha nominated David Grant. Mr. Grant accepted the nomination.

It was MOVED by Mr. Roger Rempel and SECONDED by Ms Robyn Koropatnick that nominations close.

CARRIED

The matter of filling the additional two appointments to the Nominating Committee will be placed on the agenda for consideration by Council at its December meeting.

Reports of the Committees and Staff

Mr. Pawlikewich referred the meeting to the 2011-2012 Annual Report.

It was MOVED by Mr. Lawrence Ferchoff and SECONDED by Mr. Charlie Bouskill that the Committee and Staff reports, as published in the 2011-2012 Annual Report, be accepted.

CARRIED

Resolutions

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

Mr. Koropatnick advised that no resolutions had been received.

Recognition of Retiring Councillors

President Girling recognized the contributions of the following retiring Councillors:

- ▲ Rajib Ahsan for two years on Council
- ▲ Bill Girling for seven years on Council

Other Business

There was no other business item.

Gavel Ceremony

The Scott gavel was passed from Mr. Adam Pawlikewich to Ms Dawn Nedohin-Macek in accordance with the official ceremony for turning over the gavel to the incoming president. Ms Nedohin-Macek signed the scroll, which was then returned to its place in the gavel.

Incoming President's Address

Ms Nedohin-Macek expressed his thanks to Council for electing her as Vice-President.

Closing Announcements and Adjournment

Mr. Pawlikewich announced that:

- ▲ Nominations for member recognition awards are accepted through the APEGM office at any time. Details are available at the APEGM website.
- ▲ Remember APEGM's new slogan "My Life's Work, Makes Life Work Better".

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. on a Motion by Mr. Julian Nedohin-Macek.



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



D. Nedohin-Macek, P.Eng.
President

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