

MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION OF THE SEVENTH MEETING OF THE 2005/2006 COUNCIL of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia, held on FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 8, 2006 IN APEGBC LARGE BOARDROOM

PRESENT

Council	Bob Ito, Ph.D., P.Eng.	- President (Chair)
	Tim Smith, P.Geo.	- Vice President & CCPG Director
	Dennis McJunkin, P.Eng.	- Past President
	Janet Benjamin, P.Eng.	- Councillor
	Lindsay Bottomer, P.Geo.	- Councillor
	Roy Emperingham, MPA, CHRP	- Councillor
	Lee Failing, P.Eng.	- Councillor
	Steve Graham, Ph.D., P.Eng., P.Geo.	- Councillor
	Joan Hansen, OD	- Councillor
	Jeff Holm, P.Eng.	- Councillor
	Russ Kinghorn, P.Eng.	- Councillor
	Philippe Kruchten, Ph.D., P.Eng.	- Councillor
	Margaret Li, Ph.D., P.Eng.	- Councillor
	Andy Mill, P.Eng., Struct.Eng.	- Councillor
	Lawrence Woo, CA	- Councillor
Staff	Anne Garrett, P.Eng.	- Executive Director & Registrar
	Gillian Pichler, P.Eng.	- Director, Registration
	Fred Wylie, CGA, CMA, CHRP	- Director, Internal Affairs
	Martin Mac Gregor	- Assoc. Director, Internship & Licensing
	Peter Mitchell, P.Eng.	- Assoc. Director, Professional Practice
	Geoff Thiele, LLB	- Assoc. Director, Regulatory Compliance
	Janet Sinclair	- Assoc. Director, Member Services
	Peter So, CMA	- Assoc. Director, Finance & Information Technology
	Joanne Newlove, BA	- Executive Assistant
Guests	Arnold Badke, P.Eng.	- CEBC Rep (President)
	Fred Bjork, P.Eng.	- Sustainability Committee Chair
	Keith Switzer, ASCT	- ASTTBC Rep (President)

ABSENT

Marilyn Pattison, Ph.D.	- Councillor
George Prince, P.Eng.	- Councillor
Ross Rettie, P.Eng.	- Director, Professional Practice & Ethics

OPEN SESSION

CO-06-86 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION **It was moved and seconded (Woo, Holm) that the Open Session Agenda be approved. CARRIED.**

CO-06-87 APPROVAL OF OPEN JUNE 23, 2006 MINUTES

MOTION **It was moved and seconded (Smith, Kruchten) that the June 23, 2006 Open Council Minutes be approved. CARRIED.**

CO-06-88 CPD GUIDELINE

CO-06-88-1 APPROVING THE RELEASE OF THE CPD GUIDELINE

MOTION **It was moved and seconded (Kruchten, Kinghorn) to approve the release of the CPD Guideline. CARRIED.**

This motion had been referred to staff at the June 23, 2006 Council meeting with instructions to work with a subset of Council to incorporate suggested revisions to the guideline and implementation plan. Bob Ito, P.Eng. President and Janet Sinclair, Associate Director, Member Services presented the revised guideline.

CO-06-88-2 APPROVING THE STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

MOTION **It was moved and seconded (McJunkin, Mill) to approve the Statement of Compliance, "I have met the CPD requirements as outlined in the CPD Guideline", with an explanatory preamble, for release with the 2008 Annual Dues. CARRIED. (Benjamin opposed; Woo abstained).**

Council directed staff to prepare a preamble for the Statement of Compliance making it clear to members that compliance with the guideline is voluntary, i.e., a member would tick the box if he/she had complied with it; however, not ticking the box does not imply that the member has neglected the CPD requirements as outlined by the Code of Ethics. The Statement of Compliance data gathered from the 2008 Annual Dues form will be used to determine how many members are using the voluntary guideline.

CO-06-88-3 MOTION TO RESCIND A PREVIOUS MOTION (STEVE GRAHAM)

MOTION **It was moved and seconded (Graham, Kruchten) that Council Motion CO 05-6-2 Mandatory CPD Program, Nov. 2004, be rescinded. DEFEATED.**

Motion "CO 05-6-2 Mandatory CPD Program" referred to above from Nov. 2004 is as follows: *It was moved and seconded (Denton, Arato) that the Continuing Professional Development Committee be directed to complete an implementation*

plan for mandatory CPD and submit it for Council's decision by March 15th, 2005. Carried after debate. Graham opposed.

Council concluded that, since Mandatory CPD is already a requirement under the Code of Ethics, and since the motion does not refer to "mandatory reporting", the Nov. 2004 motion should stand and not be rescinded.

CO-06-89 PNWER RESOLUTION ON RECIPROCITY FOR SENIOR ENGINEERS

MOTION It was moved and seconded (McJunkin, Emperingham) that Council ratify the 2006 Pacific NorthWest Economic Region (PNWER) Resolution on Reciprocity for Senior Engineers. CARRIED (Graham opposed).

The draft resolution and background report were included in the agenda package. Steve Graham, Ph.D., P.Eng./P.Geo. objected to the statement in the resolution to the effect that there is a shortage of engineers.

CO-06-90 PROFESSIONAL RELIANCE

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Smith, Mill) to approve the Professional Reliance Position Statement and Position Paper. CARRIED.

The Professional Reliance Position Statement and Position Paper had been previously "approved in principle" at the June 23, 2006 Council meeting, pending Council's suggested revisions. Tim Smith made a suggestion to include the Forester's term "Registered Qualified Professionals" in the Position Statement.

CO-06-91 IAMA FOR CCPG

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Smith, Bottomer) that Council ratify the extension of the CCPG IAMA for two years up to May 2008. CARRIED.

CO-06-92 REPORT OF THE LIMITED LICENCE TASK FORCE

Paul Blanchard, P.Eng., Chair, Limited Licence Task Force, Dennis McJunkin, P.Eng., Council Appointee to Limited Licence Task Force and Martin Mac Gregor, Staff Member presented the LLTF report and recommendations. Council discussed the implications of extending voting rights and the right to run for office, to all license holders.

MOTION It was moved and seconded (McJunkin, Mill) that Council receive the report of the Limited Licence Task Force and approve the recommendations for immediate action (Recommendation Nos. 1-5, 7-10, 12, 13, 15). CARRIED. (Benjamin abstained).

MOTION It was moved and seconded (McJunkin, Hansen) that Council approve the recommendations for future study (Recommendation Nos. 6, 16, 17). **CARRIED.** (Graham abstained).

MOTION It was moved and seconded (McJunkin, Kinghorn) that Council approve the recommendations for Act and/or Bylaw change (Recommendation No. 11). **CARRIED.**

MOTION It was moved and seconded (McJunkin, Kinghorn) that Recommendation No. 14 be referred to staff for consideration of voting rights and right to run for office for all license holders. **CARRIED** (Bottomer opposed).

MOTION It was moved and seconded (McJunkin, Emperingham) that Council stand down the Limited Licence Task Force with thanks to the volunteers and staff for their time and efforts. **CARRIED.**

CO-06-93 EMERGING DISCIPLINES TASK FORCE

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Smith, Li) that Council receive the final report of the Emerging Disciplines Task Force and stand down the task force with thanks to the volunteers and staff for their time and efforts. **CARRIED.**

Bob Ito, PhD, PEng, Chair, Emerging Disciplines Task Force presented the EDTF final report.

CO-06-94 BRANCH REPS

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Benjamin, Li) that Council direct staff to work with teaching professionals to prepare lesson plans at the junior, intermediate and senior grade levels for teaching during National Engineering and Geoscience Week. **DEFEATED.**

Council postponed this motion at their June 23 meeting to give staff time to collect financial information on the costs of such a program. Janet Sinclair, Associate Director, Member Services provided Council with a report and options. After discussion, Council decided to support existing initiatives instead of creating new programs that the existing budget and resources would not be able to fully support.

CO-06-95 REGISTRATION COMMITTEE (August 15, 2006)

CO-06-95-1 EXPERIENCE IN CANADIAN ENVIRONMENT POLICY

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Margaret and Philippe) that the policy on the requirement for experience in a Canadian Environment be approved. **CARRIED** (Graham abstained),

Gillian Pichler, P.Eng., Director of Registration, provided Council with a background report explaining the rationale for the change in policy.

CO-06-95-2 RETIRING THE PUPIL GRADE OF MEMBERSHIP

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Li, Kinghorn) that the Association cease to accept future applications for membership to the Pupil grade of membership and retire Bylaw of the Association s.11(b) Pupils; and that the Association adopt a "grandfather clause" to retain the Pupils who are currently enrolled and active. **CARRIED.**

CO-06-95-3 LOOKING TO EXEMPT INTERVIEWS

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Li, McJunkin) that the threshold for Looking to Exempt interviews be reduced to 7 years of relevant experience and that this level be reviewed in one year. **CARRIED (Graham opposed).**

Gill explained that it is currently 10 years and that they have many good candidates and this is seen as a good move nationally for accrediting FTE., Jeff concerned that is difficult to determine a LTE's level of competency and experience in an 1.5 hr. interview. This is entrée to the interview with a non-accredited degree only.

CO-06-96 AUDIT COMMITTEE

Janet Benjamin, P.Eng., Chair, Audit Committee and Fred Wylie, CGA, CMA, CHRP, Director of Internal Affairs presented PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) Audit Report, the 2005/2006 Audited Annual Financial Statements and the Recommended Reserve Appropriations.

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Benjamin, Kinghorn) that the appropriation of \$300,528 from the unrestricted reserve to the property and equipment replacement reserve be approved. **CARRIED (Graham opposed).**

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Benjamin, Mill) that the appropriation of \$40,000 from the unrestricted reserve to the legal and insurance reserve be approved. **CARRIED.**

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Benjamin, Emperingham) that Council approves the audited APEGBC Financial Statements for the 2005/2006 fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, for final approval at the AGM. **CARRIED.**

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Benjamin, Kinghorn) that the President and Executive Director and Registrar be authorized to sign the fiscal 2005/2006 Financial Statements on behalf of Council. **CARRIED.**

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Benjamin, Hansen) that Council authorizes the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Chartered Accountants as the Association's external auditors for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, for final approval at the AGM. **CARRIED.**

CO-06-97 SCRUTINEERS

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Li, McJunkin) that John Watson, P.Eng., Dan Lambert, P.Eng. and Phil Sunderland, P.Eng. be appointed as Scrutineers for the 2006/2007 Council election ballot count. **CARRIED.**

CO-06-98 REGISTRATION COMMITTEE (August 15, 2006)

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Mill, Graham) that the Terms of Reference of the Registration Committee be modified to delegate approval of Designated Structural Engineers to the Registration Committee. **CARRIED.**

Council requested this change at its June 23, 2006 meeting.

CO-06-99 GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

MOTION It was moved and seconded (McJunkin, Hansen) to approve Council policies on: (1) Council Governance Policy CG-7 Committee Structure; and (2) HR Policy; and that these policies replace all previously passed policies and motions related to any of the above items. **CARRIED** (Graham, Smith opposed).

CO-06-100 APEGBC CONSUMER GUIDE

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Kinghorn, Li) that Council approve the document entitled "A Consumer's Guide to Hiring a Professional Engineer or Professional Geoscientist in British Columbia".

After discussion, the following motion was moved:

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Kinghorn, Li) that the above motion be postponed to the December Council meeting. **CARRIED**

ACTION: staff to incorporate Council's suggested edits to the guide and bring back for approval at the December Council meeting.

CO-06-101 APPOINTMENTS TO APEGBC COMMITTEE, BOARDS, TASK FORCES

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Li, Hansen) that Council approve the following appointments to APEGBC Committees, Boards and Task Forces. **CARRIED.**

Investigation Committee Tony Mikes Peng

Nominating Committee Claudio Arato PEng, Peter Navratil PEng, Brent Ward PGeo

Standards of Practice Improvement Task Force Russ Kinghorn PEng (Chair), Lindsay Bottomer PGeo, Lee Failing PEng, George Prince PEng

CO-06-102 NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

MOTION It was moved and seconded (Hansen, Bottomer) that Council approve the following nominations/appointments to outside boards and committees. **CARRIED.**

Fire Suppression Sprinklers Working Group (Building Policy Branch)

Murray Johnson PEng

CCPG Director for APEGBC James Moors PGeo

CEBC Rep for APEGBC Lee Failing PEng

CO-06-103 EXECUTIVE & DIRECTORS REPORTS - FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Reports were given by:

- President Bob Ito, Ph.D. P.Eng.
- Vice President Tim Smith, P.Geo.
- Past President Dennis McJunkin, P.Eng.
- Executive Director & Registrar Anne Garrett, P.Eng. (including Financial Update and Registration Statistics).

CO-06-104 PRESENTATION OF PRINT FROM MYRA CANYON TRESTLE RESTORATION SOCIETY - FOR INFORMATION ONLY

The print that had been presented to APEGBC, via Dick Fletcher, P.Eng, by the Myra Canyon Trestle Restoration Society was shown to Council and the letter read aloud.

CO-06-105 ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD, SUSTAINABILITY AWARD, AND ED BOARD AWARD - (VERBAL) FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Council was verbally informed of the names of the above award winners and was asked to keep this information confidential until the winners had been notified.

CO-06-106 AGM 2006 UPDATE - (VERBAL) FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Council discussed the post-AGM Council meeting scheduled for October 14, 2006 and decided it would only be an hour and would focus on feedback from outgoing council and what to expect at the Council Planning Session.

CO-06-107 COUNCIL PLANNING SESSION - (VERBAL) FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Council was reminded of the date and location of 2006 Planning Session (Nov 17-19, Dunsmuir Lodge, Victoria).

END OPEN SESSION COUNCIL