



**THE ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND GEOSCIENTISTS  
OF BC**

**MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE**

September 8, 2011 at 8:00 a.m.

APEGBC Offices, #200-4010 Regent Street, Burnaby, BC

**Present**

Michael Blackman, P.Eng.

Brennan Anstey, P.Eng.

Chad Larson, P.Eng.

James Grant, P.Eng. (via teleconference)

Terry Molstad, P.Eng.

Corey Aurala, P.Eng.

**Guests**

Canisius Chan, P.Eng.

Stephen O’Leary, P.Eng., UBCO (via teleconference)

**Regrets**

Mark Porter, P.Eng., Struct. Eng.

Graeme Scott, P.Eng.

Conor Reynolds, P.Eng.

**APEGBC**

Megan Archibald, Associate Director, Communications and Stakeholder Engagement

Laurel Buss, Communications Officer

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**1.0 Introductions and Approvals**

The committee welcomed guest Dr. Stephen O’Leary from the University of British Columbia Okanagan to the meeting via teleconference.

It was moved and seconded (Terry Molstad, Corey Aurala) that the September 8, 2011 agenda be approved as circulated.

*Motion Carried.*

It was moved and seconded (Terry Molstad, Brennan Anstey) that the minutes from July 7, 2011 be approved with a correction to the BCSEA acronym.

*Motion Carried.*

**2.0 Education**

***DEERE***

APEGBC has a new division called DEERE. The Division of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy's overall goals are to advance all aspects of renewable energy engineering and energy efficiency and to promote high standards of practice in the fields of renewable energy and energy efficiency engineering.

If Committee members are interested in joining, membership is free for APEGBC members for the rest of the year. Corey Aurala plans to attend the first meeting and will report back to the Committee.

### ***Quest BC***

James Grant advised that Quest BC is working to have an article featured in *Innovation* magazine for the November/December issue that will follow up on Mike Harcourt's discussion at annual conference. The article will also focus on Quest's goals and their work on trying to link different services around energy and how it links into other critical services in the community.

Quest is holding a conference in Calgary this October with a great list of speakers focused around district energy.

**Action:** James Grant will circulate information on the conference to the committee for anyone who is interested in attending.

### ***Sea to Sky Branch Dinner Forum***

The Sea to Sky Branch will be hosting a dinner forum on Environmental Stewardship on September 29<sup>th</sup>. Michael Blackman and Megan Archibald will be attending and will report back to the committee at the next meeting.

### ***Law & Ethics***

Michael Blackman sent an email to Derek Doyle regarding incorporating sustainability content into Law & Ethics seminar. Michael will follow up with Derek in the near future.

## **3.0 Regulation**

### ***Sustainability Guidelines***

James Grant updated the committee on work being done by the subcommittee. James contacted Peter Mitchell to discuss the changes the committee made based on Peter's feedback. The Committee will proceed with taking the revised document to other internal committees for support and feedback.

Terry Molstad circulated a draft covering memo for discussion. This memo will accompany the guidelines when circulated to internal committees. The Committee discussed language and other edits to modify the document.

The Committee discussed who would attend the various internal committee meetings to solicit feedback and answer questions.

**Action:** Laurel Buss will circulate a spreadsheet with names and dates of who will attend each meeting. Laurel will also ask Peter Mitchell for dates of upcoming professional practice meetings.

**Action:** James Grant will circulate revised guidelines to Megan Archibald and Laurel Buss for distribution to internal committees.

**Action:** Terry Molstad will incorporate editing changes to the memo.

#### **4.0 Communications**

##### ***Sustainability Award***

A sustainable wood award has been ordered from Trade Works BC for the 2011 Sustainability Award. EXL Films is working with the award recipient to film a video for the award presentation at the annual conference on Saturday, October 15.

##### ***IMechE Future Climate Conference***

IMechE would like Canadian participation on their future climate conference in London, UK on September 22. Canada will participate via video conference at various locations across the country. Terry Molstad will attend on behalf of the Committee in Victoria and will bring an update back to the committee afterwards.

##### ***APEGBC 2012 Annual Conference & AGM***

The committee discussed participation in the 2012 Annual Conference. They are interested in having a stream again or possibly pairing up with the Environment stream or incorporating presentations on guidelines/primers within current streams. Megan Archibald advised that planning for streams begins in January. The Committee will need to connect with stream coordinators and staff to express interest and present topics.

**Action:** Megan Archibald will talk to Deesh Olychick about the committee's participation at the 2012 conference.

#### **5.0 Committee Business**

##### ***Review of Action Items***

##### ***Climate Change Task Force***

Megan Archibald will connect with Derek Doyle in regards to an update on the Task Force's work plan.

##### ***Committee Invitations/Representation***

Jennifer Black is stepping down from the committee as she will be moving to Calgary for school. Michael Blackman thanked her for all of her time and support. Jennifer Black mentioned that Stephanie Bertels, P.Eng. may be interested in participating on the committee and will connect her with Michael Blackman. The committee would like to extend an invitation to Canisius Chan to become an appointed member of the committee.

**Action:** Laurel Buss will connect with Canisius Chan in order to obtain information for his appointment to the committee.

## **6.0 Other Business**

No other business.

## **7.0 Next Meeting**

The next committee meeting will take place on **Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 at 8 am.**