

Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 5:30 p.m.

Remote Meeting Via Zoom Application

Attendees: **Bill Brab, Tim Crumbie, Austin Dilla, Donnie Lumm, John Popp, Richard Smath.**

Welcome and Call to Order

President Donnie Lumm called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm. He shared the meeting agenda with the attendees via the Zoom application.

President's Report

Donnie reported that he attended the field trip hosted by the Geological Society of Kentucky on April, 22, 2023 relating to Devonian Black Shales in the Morehead area. He and Richard Smath thought the trip went very well. The field excursion also served as a practice run for the outing that will be run on September 17, 2023 as part of the AIPG National Meeting. Donnie reported that thirteen (13) or fourteen (14) participants attended the event which was led by Charlie Mason and Frank Ettensohn.

Donnie added that he's been very busy with the monthly Zoom meetings for the upcoming AIPG National Meeting.

President Elect's Report

Austin Dilla reported that talked to the UK Geology Club earlier and spoke about AIPG, associated duties and responsibilities. He also had some comments to add about the pending informal outreach event but will save those comments until later in the meeting.

Vice President's Report

No Report

Secretary's Report

Tim Crumbie reported that the draft minutes from the March 23, 2023 KY-AIPG meeting were emailed to the Executive Committee for review and comment on April 21, 2023. The minutes were approved electronically by majority vote on April 24, 2023. The final version of the minutes was emailed to the Executive Committee prior to today's meeting.

Treasurer's Reports

Bill Brab provided copies of the Treasurer's report to the Executive Committee. The Treasurer's report for the period ending March 31, 2023 is summarized below:

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| Total Operating Funds as of February 28, 2023 | \$21,346.58 |
| Checking Account Credits as of March 31, 2023 | \$14,510.59 |
| Checking Account Debits as of February 28, 2023 | \$0.00 |
| Checking Account Balance as of March 31, 2023 | \$35,857.17 |
| Total Operating Funds as of March 31, 2023 | \$35,857.17 |
| Net Change from previous report | \$ +14,510.59 |

Tim made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented and Richard Smath seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Bill added that some adjustments will need to be made to the Treasurer's report because a few of the participant registration fees had to be refunded because of changes in plans.

Communications Coordinator's Report

Richard Smath reported that the minutes from the March 23, 2023 meeting will be posted shortly and that everything else should be up to date.

Past President's Report

No report.

New/Ongoing Business

2023 Darwin Lecture Recap-

A brief discussion was held about obtaining the web link needed to post the Darwin Lecture online. Richard indicated that he doesn't have any information relating to this topic. Donnie indicated Megan Cleinmark will need to be contacted to obtain the link.

2023 Bahamas Short Course

Bill provided a list of the attendees of the short course which showed that two (2) of the 16 registered individuals had requested refunds, with a possibility of losing two (2) others due to passport issues. He added that the event should still be profitable as long as there are at least ten (10) scheduled to participate.

Student Chapter Visits for Spring Semester

Donnie reported that visits have been made to the University of Kentucky (UK) and Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) this year. Bill added the he and Ben Currrens visited UK and met with the Geology Club on April 10, 2023. He said it was a good, general meeting and that the geology club was receptive to having resume writing or mock interview seminar. Donnie reported that they have not been able to connect with anyone at Western Kentucky University (WKU) but will try again in the Fall.

Tim reported that Katherine Ellis with the Kentucky Geological Survey (KGS) had asked if KY-AIPG would be interested in meeting with the Paul Potter summer interns and performing mock interviews and possibly discuss resume writing. John Popp indicated he would help if there were no other volunteers. Bill and Austin also indicated they would participate depending on the date(s).

Student Career Outreach/Social Event

Donnie reported that he has not been able to make much progress on this effort and wanted feedback to see if we should attempt to organize an event on short notice or wait. Austin was in favor of waiting to get a better plan together given that the end of the school year is approaching soon.

Annual Awards Update

Tim reported that one student award nomination letter was received from WKU. The nominee, Dereje Carl, was recommended by Dr. Michael May. The Executive Committee members were provided with a copy of the letter of recommendation and have reviewed it. Donnie made a motion to give the award to Mr. Carl and Bill Brab seconded. The motion passed. Bill made motion to provide an award in the amount of \$500.00 and Richard seconded the motion. The motion passed. The winner will also receive a nice personalized certificate.

Richard Smath was nominated for the Lifetime Achievement Award. Bill made a motion that Richard receive the Lifetime Achievement Award and Tim seconded the motion. The motion passed. No nominations were received for the Geologist of the Year or Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) awards.

General discussion was held for the venue for the awards ceremony. Richard suggested Boonedogs Bar and Restaurant as a potential location for the ceremony. It was mentioned that their hours of operation are limited to Wednesday through Sunday. Donnie suggested that June 10th and June 24th as potential dates for the ceremony. These dates will be run past the other Executive Committee members before the final date is selected. Tim will notify the winner thereafter.

2023 Annual AIPG National Meeting

Donnie reported that the schedule of events, registration costs, and field trip fees are posted online. Bill reported that abstract submittals are still open and the deadline is currently set for May 1, 2023. As previously mentioned, seven (7) field trips will be run during the conference.

OTHER DISCUSSION TOPICS

Bill is a member of the 2023 Advisory Panel Representative and has been tasked with contacting multiple sections to find out how AIPG National can better serve the sections. He reported that has only received one response to date and requested that the remainder of the Executive Committee complete the survey so he can complete his report to AIPG National.

Donnie requested a summary of Bill's experience on the Advisory Panel. Bill reported that things seem to be off to a bit of a slow start pending more guidance from AIPG National. He added that a little follow-up with national, they now have a bit more direction and that things seem to be picking up.

Bill reported that his term on the Advisory Panel is off to sort of a slow start because they needed more direction from AIPG leadership. They have since received some needed input and he is optimistic that responses from the survey will assist in identifying future activities.

KY Board of Professional Geologists Update

Bill reported that the April 10, 2023 meeting had to be rescheduled as a result of technical issues with the new email system. The next scheduled meeting is on Monday, June 12, 2023. He added that the Counsel for Examiners Workshop was recently held and that he, as Board Chairman, has received feedback from some of the people who have used the computer-based testing system that is being used to administer the ASBOG, which could help improve the process.

Bill added that Dr. Bill Haneburg will vacate his position on the Board following his retirement from the KGS and that Bruce Scott's, at large member on the Board, term expires in July and will need to be filled at the end of his term. Bill asked that if anyone is aware of any good candidates for the At Large position, to make them aware of the pending vacancy and encourage them to apply.

John Popp provided a summary of the KGS Advisory Panel activities. He reported that he and Sheri Uhlenbruch were asked to sit in on the interview process for the two (2) candidates for the State Geologist position, both of whom were extremely qualified. He added that he made a recommendation for the State Geologist on behalf of the advisory panel but that Dr. Lisa Cassis will make the final decision. Donnie thanked John for his participation and contribution.

John added that the KGS annual meeting will be held on May 25, 2023. Tim added that the Advisory Panel will present an award/token of appreciation to Dr. Haneberg during or following the Annual Meeting.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled on May 23, 2023 at 5:30 pm via Zoom. Bill made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Richard seconded. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:32 pm.