Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Saturday August 22, 2009 Kentucky Geological Survey Room 102, Mining & Mineral Resources Bldg. Lexington, Kentucky

Attendees: **Tim Crumbie**, Gil Cumbee, **Faith Fiene**, Dan Phelps, **Donnie Lumm**, Larry Rhodes, **Richard Smath**, Executive Committee members in **bold**).

Meeting Convened at 9:40 AM

<u>President's Report:</u> Faith Fiene reported that she had received a communication from AIPG National requesting a nomination for the Advisory Board and the general section information application that is due by September 13th, 2009.

<u>President Elect's Report:</u> Jim Howard requested that an email be sent out for volunteers to help man the AIPG booth during the Eastern AAPG in Evansville, Indiana. The meeting is being held September 20-22, 2009. Jim stated that he knows of a couple of members that may be able to help but needs more volunteers.

The Executive Committee discussed the possibility of giving away two tee shirts, two ball caps, 500 bookmarks and two coffee mugs. Donnie Lumm will order the supplies that we don't already have from national.

Past President Report: See above

Secretary's Report:

Tim Crumbie reported that the minutes from July were approved electronically on August 18th, 2009.

Vice President's Report:

The 2009 AIPG field trip was re-run for the North American Paleontologic Convention on June 20, 2009. AIPG's field trip guide book was selected as the best of a group of approximately ten. The Kentucky Section of AIPG was acknowledged in the revised guidebook.

Spring 2010 field trip plans are ongoing. Currently a two-day trip to the Red River Gorge is being considered possibly using Natural Bridge State Park as the meeting site. Jim made a motion to hold the field trip at the Gorge, Donnie seconded it – vote passed unanimously.

General discussion was held about the possibility of awarding scholarship to science teachers as a way of promoting AIPG and earth sciences. AIPG is considering advertising the scholarship at the Ky. Science Teacher's Association (KSTA) November 5-7, 2009, in Lexington, Kentucky. Suggestions for the series of awards included a cash award of \$100.00, free field trip(s), free lunch(es) and a free guide book(s). The winners would be selected in a drawing to be held at the meeting.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>:

Donnie Lumm reported the following account balances:

Previous Balance as of July 18, 2009 \$32,979.61

Total Account Balance as of August 24, 2009General Checking Acct.: \$33,123.97
\$2,802.11

Outreach Checking Acct.: \$1,255.87 Student Award Acct.: \$0.00 (closed) Certificates Of Deposit: \$29,065.99 Jim made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Faith seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Donnie sent out an email on August 25, 2009, indicating that he had made a mistake in the treasurer's report given during the July 18, 2009 meeting. He provided the corrections in his email. The corrected information is reflected above.

PG Board Report:

The Board met on August 3, 2009, and will meet again on September 13, 2009 to discuss Continuing Education Units (CEUs).

Four changes to the statute that the Board is attempting to get resolved before the next meeting of the legislature include: Requiring CEUs, change renewal cycle from annual to biannual, \$1,000 fine (maximum) for violations and removing or eliminating the exemption that excludes state and local government employees to be licensed.

Richard Smath has established an ad hoc committee at the Geologic Survey, to review continuing education requirements of other states. They are reviewing CEUs for Professional Geologists (PGs) and Professional Engineers (PEs). The committee will offer suggestions to the PG Board and the professional community for comment. Gil Cumbee requested that other sections of the state provide recommendations also. The next ad hoc committee meeting is September 3, 2009 at KGS.

Editor's Report: No report

Old Business:

Larry Rhodes provided a description of the requirements for the Presidential Certificate of Merit that was discussed during previous meetings. A recipient may be nominated at the discretion of the past president of the Kentucky Section, based on dedicated and meritorious service to the Section during the past year. An annual nomination in this category is not required and nominees are not limited to members of AIPG.

Jim made a motion to add the Presidential Certificate of Merit as an interim policy (award), pending the determination if the by-laws would have to be amended. Tim seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Faith mentioned that Dale Burton emailed her and let her know he met with Bruce Scott on July 21st, 2009. Bruce indicated that he is still supportive of the effort to modify the Geologists career ladder at the state. Bruce will meet with the Cabinet Secretary Len Peters to further discuss the best way to proceed.

Outreach Committee Report:

See Above

New Business:

More discussion needs to be held concerning the upcoming symposium in November.

The next meeting has not been scheduled pending coordination with Charlie Mason.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.