

Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Saturday, August 13, 2011
Kentucky Geological Survey
Room 102, Mining & Mineral Resources Building
Lexington, Kentucky

Attendees: Bill Brab, Jim Cobb, **Tim Crumbie**, Gil Cumbee, **Frank Ettensohn**, **Trent Garrison**, **Jim Howard**, Tom Lierman, **Donnie Lumm**, **Charlie Mason**, Dan Phelps, Tom Reed, Larry Rhodes, **Richard Smath** (Executive Committee members in **bold**).

Meeting called to order at 10:06 AM

President's Report:

Frank Ettensohn welcomed visitors. No formal report was given but Frank indicated that he spent the summer in Colorado at field camp.

President Elect's Report:

No report.

Past President's Report:

Jim Howard indicated he finished the report for Section Support for national AIPG and it has been distributed to the presidents of all active state sections. Jim stated that two special meetings will be held at the Annual Meeting in greater detail.

Jim attended a meeting held by the Ohio Section AIPG and has an earthquake disaster preparedness meeting scheduled with the Boy Scouts scheduled for November 3. The meeting will be an open meeting for the general public in Owensboro. He also worked with Owensboro emergency responders on a regional map table exercise for response to a 5.5 magnitude earthquake impacting the Owensboro/Henderson/Evansville area. Exercise was successful and well rated.

Jim indicated that a total of approximately 450 people attended his lectures that were presented during his cruise to the Mediterranean Region.

Vice President Report:

No formal report.

Secretary's Report:

Tim Crumbie reported that the minutes from the June 2011 meeting were sent out via email on August 7, 2011 and approved by electronic vote on August 11, 2011.

Treasurer's Report: Donnie Lumm reported the section finances as summarized below:

<i>Previous Balance as of May 31, 2011</i>	<i>\$34,345.03</i>
Total Account Balance as of July 31, 2011	\$34,580.62
General Checking Acct.:	\$1,408.65
Outreach Checking Acct.:	\$6,022.92
Certificates Of Deposit:	\$27,149.05

Jim Howard made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Frank Ettensohn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Board of Registration Report:

Gil Cumbee reported that the Kentucky Board of Professional Registration met in Jefferson County on Monday August 1, 2011 and toured the large diameter intake well facility that provides water to the Louisville and Prospect areas. The actual meeting was held at the Louisville Water Plant.

The Board approved to send three representatives to the ASBOG meeting in San Antonio Texas in November 2-6, 2011. Larry Rhodes is attending to represent the Ky. Board of Registration during the business portion of the meeting. The other two positions are open for nominations. Attendees have to meet certain requirements and an application must be completed.

Gil indicated that eight applicants were approved for registration as Professional Geologists (PG) and/or PG testing; eight applicants were approved for G-I-T registration and/or Fundamentals of Geology (FG) testing; four applicants were approved for PG reinstatement, and one applicant for PG reinstatement was deferred pending issuance of an initiating complaint.

The Board is in the process of reviewing the regulations under which they operate. The intent is to update operational procedures, testing fees and things of that nature. The regulation will have to go to the Legislative Research Commission (LRC) before any of the recommended changes can be implemented.

Editor's Report:

No Report.

Old Business:

Karst Geology Short Course: Donnie indicated that he has already received registration from five people for the short course. Jim Howard estimates that AIPG expenses will be approximately \$1,500 to host the event. A minimum of ten attendees is preferred. Charlie Mason asked if students could assist with the set-up, parking, management and tear-down activities in exchange for registration costs. This idea was well received. The classroom lecture is scheduled for October 19th, 2011 and the field portion will be on October 20th, 2011. Donnie recommended that someone travel the proposed route to evaluate for safety and the ability to accommodate the field trip vehicles. Bill Brab volunteered to visit the site once he is given the proposed route. Jim has reserved ten rooms at the Clarion @ \$85/night on Newtown Pike in Lexington, Ky.

February 2012 Professional Development Seminar: Frank asked if anyone had contacted Eugenie Scott to see what she thought of the title "Darwin: Demon or Revolutionary?" that we recommended. The program is scheduled for February 16, 2012.

Spring Field Trip – Frank indicated that a minimum of eight people (maximum of about 24) must attend the trip to the Bahamas for it to be feasible. Frank iterated that it would be an excellent opportunity to observe active carbonate systems. The majority of the discussion was when the trip could be scheduled as it could be difficult because of the varying spring breaks schedules for different schools. Frank essentially wanted to obtain a commitment from AIPG to support this effort and to determine what expenses would be covered for the trip leaders.

Jim made a motion that AIPG authorize the potential field trip leaders to prepare a cost estimate to conduct the trip and that AIPG provide up to \$2,000.00, if necessary, to support the effort. Donnie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Jim Howard requested the cost estimate be presented at the next meeting. Frank indicated that facility will not be open for until October but he could prepare an estimate based on his last trip there. Donnie wanted clarification as to whether AIPG will just be providing funding or if there is a larger role expected. Frank indicated that his preference would be that all funding be provided through a 'central agent' that could collect the fees and pay the invoices because the process would flow more smoothly. Past experiences with attendees being responsible for making their own arrangements have been less than pleasant. All participants MUST HAVE PASSPORTS.

Future Meetings/Banquets: General discussion was held about having banquets separately from field trips. The general consensus is that they should not be held together. Frank recommended that the local Carbonate Field Trip could be held at Big Hill. Field guide material has already been assembled which would make it much easier to organize.

Frank revisited the discussion about how Kentucky's geological societies and organizations seem to be duplicating efforts. At our June meeting it was recommended that the 'leaders' or executive committees of each organization meet to discuss how this topic should be addressed. The general consensus was that the 'leaders' should meet because a meeting of this type may not be productive with too many participants. Donnie suggested that representatives of each group be contacted by email to obtain input and see how much interest exists. Jim Howard reiterated that the various organizations could be invited to participate in a joint meeting to be held after one of the AIPG Section meetings. Trent made a motion to invite representatives of all geologic organizations to participate in a joint meeting at noon (following AIPG's section meeting) to discuss how to reduce duplicity. Lunch will be provided. The gathering date will coincide with AIPG's next meeting which is tentatively scheduled for September 24, 2011 provided it does not conflict with the KSPG field trip. Charlie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The following organizations will be contacted: KGS, KPS, KSPG, AIPG, AEG and the PG Board.

New Business:

Frank mentioned that National AIPG has requested that he provide names for delegates that the national meeting. Jim Howard stated that he would be attending and Donnie indicated that he would be interested also. Donnie indicated that he would prepare an estimate and present it to the Committee for cost approval. Jim Cobb, Jerry Weisenfluh, and Steve Cordiviola are also planning to attend.

Frank mentioned that three, post-doctorate Chinese students temporarily working at the University of Kentucky attended the Spring Field Trip earlier this year and Jim Cobb requested that they be allowed the student rate. Charlie made a motion to approve the request and Jim seconded. The motion passed.

On December 1, 2011, (11am) the survey is having a symposium at the faculty club to celebrate geologic mapping in Kentucky. The Survey has completed thirty-three 100,000 scale geologic maps and a huge map combining all of the quadrangles in will be unveiled at the time.

Larry Rhodes requested that everyone start considering nominations for next year's Geologist of the Year and Lifetime Achievement Awards.

Tom Reed mentioned that Fayette County Technical School system recently opened an Agricultural Science Farm which is planning to have a strong earth science curriculum as it pertains to sustainable agriculture. Tom thought it would present an outreach opportunity for AIPG.

Charlie followed up on previous discussions requesting that the University of Kentucky be considered as the official field camp for the state as it is the only one that remains active. Charlie indicated that he would pitch the idea to the department heads from the various geology programs to see if they are interested, as they are the ones that would have to make the decisions and implement the policy.

The meeting adjourned at 12:22 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for October 8th, 2011 at 10 am. The meeting will be followed by a second meeting of representatives of other professional geologic organizations in Kentucky. Lunch will be provided.

Electronic Communications

Jim Howard requested that AIPG consider a student rate for the Karst Geology Short Course in an email dated September 2, 2011. The recommended student rate is \$50.00 (excluding the five students that will assist with hosting the course). Tim made a motion and Charlie seconded. The motion passed.