

Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Saturday, August 9, 2014
Kentucky Geological Survey
Room 102, Mining & Mineral Resources Building
Lexington, Kentucky

Attendees: **Bill Brab, Tim Crumbie, Jim DeCinque, Trent Garrison**, Mike Gregg, Earl Hoover, **Donnie Lumm**, Vicki Oberc, Dan Phelps, Larry Rhodes, Sean Rohrer, **Richard Smath**, Jerry Weisenfluh (Executive Committee members in **bold**).

The meeting was called to order at 10:11am by Bill Brab.

President's Report:

Bill Brab welcomed everyone and the committee introduced themselves to Vicki Oberc, the president of the University of Kentucky Geology Club and Sean Rohrer, the secretary. Other comments deferred until later in the meeting.

President Elect's Report:

Donnie Lumm contacted Andrew McNeill with the Kentucky Oil and Gas Association (KOGA), about potentially hosting a joint technical event with AIPG in the future. McNeill responded in an email and indicated that he hasn't had a chance to meet with other interested parties and would be in contact regarding this potential venture in the near future. Further comments were deferred until later in the meeting.

Past President's Report:

Trent Garrison deferred comments until later in the meeting.

Vice President Report:

Donnie deferred comments until later in the meeting.

Secretary's Report:

Tim Crumbie reported that the draft minutes from the June 21, 2014 meeting were emailed to Executive Committee members on August 5, 2014. The minutes were modified according to the recommendations of the committee and were approved on August 7, 2014.

Treasurer's Report:

<i>Previous Balance as of June 30, 2014</i>	\$33,163.21
Total Account Balance as of July 31, 2014	\$31,497.34
General Checking Acct.:	\$ 235.58
Outreach Checking Acct.:	\$ 31,497.34

Jim DeCinque reported \$4,320 in income over the period of the report, with \$1,537.03 in expenses; a net gain of \$2,782.97. Donnie made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Trent seconded. Motion passed.

Editor's Report

Richard Smath reported that he continues to update the website as information becomes available. The site currently is up to date with the exception of the minutes from the June minutes.

Items Discussed:

ASBOG – AIPG Sponsored Refresher Course

Bill reported that an announcement for the September 12th, 2014 ASBOG refresher course event has been sent out and one person has already registered for the event. William Drew Andrews is going to present the material during the course and coordinate the schedule with the Core Barn. Bill explained that the course will review of basic geologic concepts and also include information from more specific areas of study. Another important part of the review addresses how to interpret and understand the questions. Donnie mentioned that he feels that AIPG should be taking the lead in providing this service to help students enter

the professional arena. The early registration fees for the course are as follows: non-AIPG members - \$100, government employees - \$85, AIPG members - \$75 and students - \$25. Student AIPG members can attend for free. After August 22, 2014, registration fees will be: non-AIPG members - \$125, government employees - \$110, AIPG members - \$85. All other costs will remain unchanged. Vicki mentioned that she could share this information during the first UK Geology Club meeting this year. Bill indicated that this information is available on the Section web site for those interested.

AIPG National Meeting

The National AIPG meeting is in Prescott, Arizona on September 13, 2014 and Bill reported that he will be attending. He has finished the majority of the paperwork that is required by National and will be sending it in soon.

Bill asked if anyone is interested in serving as a delegate to serve on the National Advisory Board. If there is any interest, he requested that the interested person(s) contact him.

Darwin Lecture Series 2015

Bill reported that Dan Phelps had mentioned that he was going to contact Dr. Dave Meyer, formerly with the University of Cincinnati, to see if he would be interested in speaking at next year's event. Trent sent Dan an email to check the status.

2015 Spring Short Course

Bill conceded that the results of the polling of the attendees of this year's training event, may have been skewed as a result of the population in attendance. Bill suggested that the Section try to identify other (non-environmental) geologic topics that could be addressed in future courses. Jerry Weisenfluh with the Kentucky Geological Survey (KGS) suggested that the committee consider addressing energy resources in future courses. Richard asked if AIPG would be interested in holding the next short course in conjunction with the Geological Society of Kentucky (GSK). He indicated that a lot of people using geophysical logging methods but fewer people are able to read the logs. Bill and Trent feel that partnering with GSK would be a good idea. Richard will approach GSK to gauge interest.

Online Survey Form for Short Courses

Bill has developed an online version of the survey form that was handed out after the last short course. Using this form as opposed to handing them out during the courses would allow attendees additional time to consider their responses prior to completing them. More importantly, it is available to people who did not attend the conference, and would offer an opportunity to receive feedback from those employed outside the environmental field. Larry Rhodes mentioned that he thought it would be a good idea to include a note indicating that Professional Development Hours (PDHs) and/or Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be issued to course attendees. The form can be accessed from the Section website and Bill requested that the committee members test the link, fill out the form and provide feedback so it can be refined.

2014 Student Outreach Gathering

Trent mentioned that he has been asked if another outreach event will be held this year. Bill and Richard stated these events usually have a good turnout but as soon as the semester is over, Richard indicated that the email addresses that had been provided by students no longer worked. Discussion about the venue of a potential event ensued. The Sixth Street Brewery was a good choice but it was too loud. The location of last year's event was much quieter and would be conducive to discussion between the students and professionals. Vicki indicated that from a student's perspective, the house was almost awkward because of the small discussion groups that formed, and tying work into a "circle". Trent said that Logan's Restaurant has a conference room in the back that can be used. He will check on the pricing and availability.

Jim mentioned that the Elsevier ad is still on the web page and they have not paid for a renewal. He asked if the ad should be removed or if they should be contacted to see if they are interested in renewing. Trent said he would contact them to gauge their interest in renewing.

Board of Registration Update

Gil Cumbee and Larry Rhodes were nominated to attend the Annual ASBOG Business and Examiners Meeting in Indianapolis this fall. They plan on bringing up the issue of requiring continuing education for Professional Geologists and want to gauge interest. The Executive Committee is generally in favor of this requirement. Bill said one concern is how the regulatory entities in different states interpret and award PDHs/CEUs. Jim concurred and gave an example of attending an event near the end of the year that advertised that 8 CEUs would be awarded, but when the paperwork was completed, submitted and reviewed, he was only awarded 4 hours. This meant he had to find another qualifying course, complete the paperwork and get it approved before the year was out.

Larry renewed his term as Chairman on the Board of Registration and will serve in that capacity for four more years.

Larry reported that the Lindsey Lane, the Board Administrator, is now compiling the newsletter.

Richard said the Public At Large position on the Board will be expiring next year. This position is typically not held by a geologist and he requested to be notified if anyone is interested.

Tim asked if there are enough funds in the checking account to be useful if needed. Jim said that it is only shown that way on paper and that the Section only has one account in reality. General conversation about the account(s) ensued and the general consensus was to do away with the "paper" checking account. Jim offered to present the next Treasurers report in the current format, and a second one in a new format showing only one account. A vote will be held at that time, to determine how to handle the finances going forward.

GSK will hold a field trip on Oct 24-25th, 2014, which will address surficial geology in the Morehead area. An ice breaker for this event will be held at the Hampton Inn in Morehead on October 24th, 2014 and the field portion will be held the next day on the 25th.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 20, 2014 at 10:00 am in Room 102 in the Mines and Mineral Resources Building at the Kentucky Geological Survey. Donnie made a motion to establish the meeting date and Jim seconded. The motion passed. Donnie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trent seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:22 am.