

Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Saturday, February 22, 2014
Kentucky Geological Survey
Room 102, Mining & Mineral Resources Building
Lexington, Kentucky

Attendees: **Bill Brab**, **Tim Crumbie**, Gil Cumbee, **Jim DeCinque**, **Trent Garrison**, **Donnie Lumm**, Dan Phelps, Larry Rhodes, **Richard Smath**, (Executive Committee members in **bold**).

The meeting called to order at 10:05 am by Bill Brab.

President's Report:

Bill welcomed all attendees and each person was given the opportunity to introduce themselves.

President Elect's Report:

Donnie Lumm reported that the date of the Darwin Lecture has been changed to April 1st, 2014 as a result of bad weather. Donnie reported that he had attended the Kentucky Oil and Gas Association meeting with the state legislature on February 20, 2014. He met with Andrew McNeill (current President) and Rudy Vogt (incoming president) who appeared agreeable to hosting a collaborative technical seminar event with AIPG and possibly the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE). The suggested topic was tentatively entitled *Best Management Practices for Oil and Gas Operators*. Rudy suggested that the event could be performed in conjunction with their Fall 2014 meeting which is scheduled to be held in Eastern Kentucky. Donnie asked if the section would be interested in co-hosting such an event, even though it would not be held in Central Kentucky. The general consensus was that the Executive Committee would support it. This event could also serve as our AIPG's fall seminar.

Past President's Report:

Trent Garrison mentioned that the Science and Engineering Fair would be held at EKU on March 29, 2014. He indicated that he may also judge the event. Dan Phelps said the Paleontological Society (KPS) is planning to have a table at the Fair. Faith Fiene will also be representing AIPG as a judge.

Trent was a guest on Eastern Kentucky University's public radio station, WEKU on Thursday February 20, 2014, to talk about climate change from a geologic perspective. This was done as part of outreach activities.

Vice President Report:

See President Elect's comments.

Secretary's Report:

Tim Crumbie reported that the draft minutes from the February 1, 2014 meeting were approved electronically on February 20, 2014. Tim also reported that the Student Award Nomination letters were mailed out between February 11 and 14, 2014. The deadline for receiving the nominations was set for March 21st, 2014 which should leave sufficient time to procure the awards.

On February 17th, 2014, the Executive Committee voted to reschedule the Darwin Lecture for April 1st, 2014 after weather had caused his initial flight to be cancelled.

Treasurer's Report:

<i>Previous Balance as of December 31, 2013</i>	<i>\$31,603.18</i>
Total Account Balance as of Jan. 31, 2014	\$30,907.05
General Checking Acct.:	\$224.81
Outreach Checking Acct.:	\$30,907.05

Trent made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Donnie seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Editor's Report

Richard Smath sent out the request for Lifetime Achievement Awards with a due date of March 1, 2014. He indicated that he would extend the deadline to April 1st, 2014 to match the new deadline for student award nominations. Larry Rhodes requested nominations for the annual awards also.

Darwin Lecture 2014

Donnie reported that Dr. Knoll's flight will arrive around noon and he suggested having a late lunch on campus, which would give some of the various department members at the University of Kentucky, an opportunity to meet Dr. Knoll.

Richard has already rescheduled the meeting room and will modify the posters that have been staged, to reflect the new date and time for the event. The efforts to reschedule the event following the bad weather that was experienced on February 13, 2014 were impressive and effective. Thanks to all those who assisted. Donnie will send out an email about ten (10) days before the event as a reminder to everyone. Nothing else has changed.

Bill indicated that National AIPG has received a request for donations for their scholarships, but he feels that the Kentucky Section should pass at this point due to the lack of representation (no nominees from Kentucky), and because of budgeting concerns. Donnie suggested that we prepare a letter explaining that the Kentucky Section supports AIPG through annual student scholarships to make sure they are aware of our support. Bill will prepare the letter.

Spring Short Course – Aquifer Characterization

Bill was considering moving the short course to May 22nd (classroom portion) and 23rd (field portion), 2014 but the date conflicted with Batelle Conference in Monterrey, California, which presented a problem for potential presenters. Currently May 29th, 2014 has been scheduled as the date for the event. Bill reported that he had been having difficulty obtaining commitments from presenters but now that the date has been changed, he has four (4) confirmed presenters and one possible. Bill reported that he also has a couple of sponsors lined up.

Bill mentioned that the rules of the Core Library are such that the event may have to span over two (2) days to cover all of the material. Donnie and others urged Bill to try to get the program to fit on one day.

Donnie volunteered to work with the caterers. It was suggested that we use the same company that provided this service last year.

ASBOG – AIPG Sponsored Refresher

Bill contacted Drew Andrews to see if he has any interest in allowing AIPG to take over the ASBOG refresher course. He indicated that Drew appeared to be interested and offered to assist in any way. As discussed earlier, Bill said we are still considering holding the event over two days so that all of the material can be covered.

The cutoff date for the next ASBOG exam is August 26, 2014. The date of the test will be October 10, 2014. General discussion was held about the format and what rate to charge for the course. Trent mentioned that it would be a good idea to hold the training a month or so before the tests are administered. If this recommendation is followed, a tentative date for the initial class could be September 10th, 2014.

Bill suggested that AIPG discuss the fee structure with Drew to develop a starting point. Ideally, AIPG would be able to obtain assistance from professionals willing to donate their time, which would allow the section to keep the costs down.

Bill said that he and Trent will sit down with Drew to get more specific information such as what type of course material is relevant, what format has worked, cost, and other associated factors. Donnie recommended that plans be solidly in place by sometime in July.

Budget

Jim DeCinque is preparing a spreadsheet to Bill to give an idea of our operating costs for future budgeting purposes.

Bill reported that he has procured annual donations from two (2) companies. He has spoken with a third source that will consider an annual sponsorship in October under their new budget.

Jim suggested that we follow up with Elsevier, the book company that had previously advertised on the section's website, to see if they are interested in continuing with the endeavor.

Board of Registration Report

Larry reported that the meeting was moved to Feb 14th, 2014, because of the weather. The original meeting date had been February 3, 2014. The next meeting is scheduled April 7, 2014.

Gil Cumbee reported that the attorney for the Board of Registration has drafted a regulation that will allow subpoenas to be issued during the investigation of complaints. He also reported that 24 applications have been reviewed, 22 of which were for Geologist in Training (GIT); all of whom would be taking the ASBOG test soon. Gil wished the candidates the best of luck on their tests.

Annual Awards

A short discussion about the annual awards was held. The deadline for award nominations is now April 1, for the awards and March 21st, 2014, for the other awards.

Bill reported that Gil sent him an email from the Oklahoma City Geological Society where they are hosting a beer tasting event as part of their outreach activities. It was sent for consideration for our student outreach activities.

Trent made a motion to dismiss the meeting and Jim DeCinque seconded. The meeting adjourned at 12:01 pm. The next section meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 5th, 2014 at 10:00 at the Survey, Room 102. (Donnie made a motion and Trent seconded for this meeting date). Jim made a motion to adjourn, Trent seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 11:29 am.