

Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Thursday, January 12, 2023

Remote Meeting Via Zoom Application

Attendees: **Bill Brab, Megan Cleinmark, Tim Crumbie, Austin Dilla, Frank Ettensohn, Donnie Lumm, Donny Prater, Richard Smath**

Welcome and Call to Order

President Donnie Lumm thanked everyone and called the business meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

President's Report

Donnie shared the meeting agenda on the screen, introduced himself and thanked all for attending. He stated that he understands that everyone has busy schedules and that work and family take precedence, but requested that all participants respond to requests with 48 hours if possible. He indicated that he will be stepping back from his currently level of involvement in AIPG over the next couple of years due to general life demands. He urged everyone to try recruit other members KY-AIPG members to assume active roles in the organization.

President Elect's Report

Austin Dilla thanked those in attendance, introduced himself and provided a bit of background on his upbringing, education and his current employment at Thoroughbred Engineering.

Vice President's Report

Megan Cleinmark welcomed Austin and reported that she is no currently employed at Consulting Services Incorporated (CSI). She is currently working at TRC as a Senior Geologist managing their Brownfields Program in the Southeastern Region. She added that she will likely retain the current contact information she has been using as of late because it is consistent.

Secretary's Report

Tim Crumbie reported that he emailed the draft version of the minutes from the December 8, 2022 KY-AIPG meeting to the Executive Committee for review and comment on January 9, 2023. The minutes were approved electronically after minor revision on January 11, 2023.

Tim reported that he sent the results of the KY-AIPG 2023 Executive Committee election to AIPG National on January 12, 2023. Tim deferred further comments until later in the meeting.

Treasurer's Reports

Bill Brab introduced himself to Austin and then reviewed the Treasurer's Report that he distributed earlier in the day. The report for the period ending December 31, 2022 is summarized below:

Total Operating Funds as of November 30, 2022	\$21,487.11
Checking Account Credits as of December 31, 2022	\$0.91
Checking Account Debits as of December 31, 2022	\$139.19

Checking Account Balance as of December 31, 2022	\$21,348.83
Total Operating Funds as of December 31, 2022	\$21,348.83
Net Change from previous report	-\$138.28

Megan made a motion to accept the treasurers report presented above and Donny Prater seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Bill provided an update about the Section's operating expenses vs taxes. He shared a bar chart showing the funds available at yearend over the past three years, which shows a declining trend in capital. He suggested that the Section figure out ways to generate income to slow or reverse this trend. Donnie added that the Section has consistently been paying the costs for student awards which, while a worthy cause, contributes to the decline. He also expects that an undefined amount of income will be generated during the National Meeting. Megan added that it may be time for the KY-AIPG to start considering getting sponsors in the future to help defray the costs of hosting various events.

Communications Coordinator's Report

Richard Smath reported that everything online is up to date.

Past President's Report

Donny welcomed Austin and but had nothing else to report at this time. Donnie asked Donny to prepare a newsletter to summarize the accomplishments and activities of the KY-AIPG during 2022.

New Business

2023 Darwin Lecture

Donnie indicated that he has discussed potential lecturers with Dan Phelps several times but has not yet identified a speaker for the event. Donnie asked Austin to assist with helping find a speaker for this event. Megan reported that she knows a potential candidate if the Section thinks she would fit the bill. Megan reported that the potential candidate studied Pre-Cambrian Fauna from China as part of her PhD dissertation As well as the geochemistry of sedimentary rocks from the same area for dating purposes. Megan indicated that she can get more information to share if needed. Donnie asked her to send the information to Austin and Dan for further evaluation.

2023 Bahamas Trip

Frank Ettensohn reported that the trip information has been posted in as many places as possible. He added that he currently has three firm commitments and said seven more participants are needed. Charlie Mason indicated that he is planning to attend and will contact several additional potential attendees. Donnie reminded all that the course dates are May 13-20, 2023. There have been a couple of others that have shown interest. Ten participants are needed.

Student Outreach

Donnie indicated that KY-AIPG needs to have outreach events especially at the universities that were not able to be contacted last year like Northern Kentucky University (NKU) and Western Kentucky University (WKU). Bill added that his attempts to reach out to NKU have not been productive. Ann Harris may be another option for a contact at NKU but all other attempts have failed. Other than that, Bill suggested

waiting until the fall to try to contact with them. He added that he is willing to reach out to the University of Kentucky (UK) and he has also contacted Dr. Borowski at Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) in the attempt to arrange an event there. Donnie requested that someone reach out to Dr. Michael May at Western Kentucky University (WKU) because his time is consumed with the National Meeting. Bill suggested that Thomas Brackman or Beth May could also be suitable contacts. Austin volunteered to reach out to WKU if someone would help him or provide assistance. Bill will reach out to Thomas Brackman to see who would be a good contact and Austin said he knows a couple of graduates from WKU that he can reach out to.

Student Career Day or Workshop for Spring Semester

Donnie asked how the Executive Committee feels about hosting these types of workshops in 2023. Bill reported that he has templates already prepared for resume writing and interviews that could be used. He said these documents could be revised/updated as needed. Austin indicated that his company is already planning to participate in the career day at UK and would be glad to work with AIPG on this front.

Future DEI Offerings and Speakers

Donnie gave an overview of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) program and asked how this will work out in the future and if it should be continued this year given demands associated with the National Meeting. Bill suggested that the National Meeting already incorporates many DEI attributes and the event could be considered an alternative.

Student Awards

Donnie asked Tim to send out the annual letters requesting student award nominees from geology colleges and universities in Kentucky. Donnie explained that KY-AIPG typically awards from one to three scholarships annually to deserving students of geology in Kentucky. The amount awarded depends on several factors, including the number and caliber of the nominees. Tim asked if there is a deadline for the receipt of the nominations and Donnie recommended using the end of March as an initial target date.

2023 AIPG National Conference

Donnie added that planning activities are progressing well. He added that he will prepare a short newsletter to send out later to summarize meeting activities. Bill reported that the request for abstracts went out today and welcomed anyone who wants to submit an abstract to do so. Tim added that he has been sending out letters requesting sponsorships and exhibitors and asked for assistance in verifying some of the contact information he has.

OTHER DISCUSSION TOPICS

Activity Coordination with the Geological Society of Kentucky (GSK)

Donnie stated that it would be in the profession's best interest to assist GSK with future activities. KY-AIPG should compliment their efforts. Suggested options include advertising and providing support in any way possible. Frank reported that GSK will be hosting a field trip in the Spring that will explore organic rich rocks, gas shales and related items in Eastern Kentucky. The date for the trip has not yet been established, but usually occurs on a Saturday in mid-April. Donnie asked to be kept apprised of the plan so the Section can assist with advertising.

Kentucky Board of Registration Update

Bill reported that the last meeting was December 12, 2022. He reported that the regulatory amendments have been filed with the Legislative Research Committee (LRC) and that he went before them on Tuesday, January 10, 2023 to answer any questions they may have after the public notice was filed. The recommended amendments were accepted by the LRC the same day and the document is going into the next phase for approval.

The current deadline to register for the next ASBOG exam is January 15, 2023 and it will be administered using computer-based testing (CBT). The next Board meeting is scheduled for February 13, 2023 at 1:00 pm. All meetings are open to the public and Bill invited all interested parties to attend. Bill explained the testing and testing evaluation process.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2023 at 5:00 pm via Zoom. Bill made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Tim seconded. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:06 pm.