

Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Saturday, June 6, 2015
Kentucky Geological Survey
Room 102, Mining & Mineral Resources Building
Lexington, Kentucky

Attendees: **Bill Brab**, **Tim Crumbie**, Earl Hoover, **Donnie Lumm**, **Dan Phelps**, Larry Rhodes, Jerry Weisenfluh (Executive Committee members in **bold**).

Welcome and Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:06 am by President Donnie Lumm.

President's Report:

Donnie encouraged everyone to take the time to vote during the national AIPG elections. Donnie also mentioned that National AIPG is continuing their search for a new Executive Director. The former Director, Bill Siok, is temporarily filling the position until a suitable replacement can be found.

President Elect Report

No report.

Vice President's report

No report.

Past President's Report:

Bill Brab indicated that he will discuss developments in his efforts to establish student AIPG Chapters at the University of Kentucky, Northern Kentucky University, Morehead State University and Western Kentucky University later in the meeting.

Secretary's Report:

Tim Crumbie reported that the draft minutes from the April 30th, 2015 meeting were emailed to Executive Committee members on June 2, 2015 and approved on June 3, 2015 after revisions had been made.

Treasurer's Report:

Jim DeCinque's provided Treasurer's reports for the month ending April 30, 2015 and May 31, 2015. Tim Crumbie distributed copies of the reports to the Executive Committee in Jim's absence. The following balances were reported for the AIPG interest bearing checking account on the referenced dates:

| <u>Report dated April 30, 2015</u> | |
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| Previous balance as of March 31, 2015 | \$49,433.24 |
| Total Funds as of April 30, 2015 | \$39, 818.22 |
| Net change from previous report: | (\$9,615.02) |

| <u>Report dated May 31, 2015</u> | |
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| Previous balance as of April 30, 2015 | \$39,818.22 |
| Total Funds as of May 31, 2015 | \$39,978.65 |
| Net change from previous report: | \$160.43 |

Dan Phelps made a motion to accept the April 2015 Treasurer's report and Bill seconded. The motion passed. Dan also made a motion to accept the May 2015 Treasurer's report and Bill seconded. The motion passed.

Editor's Report

No report.

Discussion Points:

Letter to Kentucky judge executives and county commissioners:

Donnie reported that the purpose of the letter is to inform county officials and executives about geologists, what we do, and that statute requires that anyone practicing geology in the Commonwealth of Kentucky be licensed to do so.

Two copies of the letter and a copy of the Consumer Guide to Geologic Services will be sent to each of Kentucky's 120 counties. Larry Rhodes cautioned that the letters should be addressed to the appropriate personnel with the correct title which may vary by location. Larry also mentioned that the email address on the bottom of the tri-fold insert is not correct. Dan and Bill offered ways to rectify this issue without having to re-print the documents. General discussion was held about recommended format and content changes. Donnie indicated he will make the content changes that he is able to, and will let others address any formatting issues. Some of the formatting will need to be compatible with a feature called a mail merge.

Student Outreach Events at Western Ky. University and Morehead State University:

Bill reported that his contact at WKU will likely be Michael May. Donnie expressed interest in coordinating a trip to WKU to coincide with this meeting.

Potential Topics for Future Ky. AIPG Short Courses:

Donnie presented a copy of a document that Bill had produced in 2013, and a document that was prepared by Jim Howard in 2011, that contained potential topics of interest for short courses. Donnie indicated that he has received some interest in having a course on professional ethics but based on the results of surveys that had been conducted earlier, it did not seem to be high on the lists of preferred courses. There also seems to be some concern about how many people would attend this type of course. It was suggested however, that an ethics segment could be included as a lecture session instead of the entire meeting. The general consensus was that there would not be enough people attend that type topic for an entire day, and would not likely be profitable. Jerry Weisenfluh suggested that ethics information be made accessible by including it on the web page. Donnie mentioned that he may attempt to contact David Abbott who writes ethics articles for The Professional Geologist (TPG), to see if he can provide any information on the subject to post on the section website.

Donnie provided a list showing the titles of professional development short courses that have been held by the Kentucky Section since 2011. Jerry mentioned that he had a discussion with Peter Goodman, Kentucky Division of Water, who had mentioned that there is nothing that geologists do that does not involve soils. He suggested that topics addressing soils be considered. Bill reported that Tom Brackman with Northern Kentucky University/Cardno, offered to do a presentation on shallow or near surface geophysical methods if the Executive Committee expressed interest. Donnie asked Bill to return communication with Dr. Brackman and accept his offer to present such a course, suggesting an October date, and added that one or two other presenters with similar topics could be included. Bill agreed to contact Dr. Brackman about the acceptance and establish a seminar date.

2015 National AIPG Annual Meeting:

The 2015 Annual AIPG Meeting is scheduled to be held in Anchorage, Alaska on September 18-22, 2015. Donnie asked if the section thinks he should attend the meeting, especially considering the potential cost to the section. Donnie decided that he would look into the cost of attending on behalf of the section.

Other Items

Board of Registration for Professional Geologists Update:

Larry reported that the Board of Registration for Professional Geologists is still discussing the topic of requiring continuing education. They are now considering making continuing education a voluntary program. Larry asked for the Executive Committee's opinion on whether the program should be mandatory or voluntary.

Larry reported that 16 out of 27 people that recently took the Fundamentals of Geology portion of the ASBOG test passed. He also reported that 11 of the 13 people that took the Principles and Practice of Geology portion of the test passed.

Recommendation for Public-at-Large Position on the Board of Registration:

Donnie mentioned that Jerry had sent out information indicating that Stephen Wyatt's term as the public-at-large member, is expiring soon. The Section voted unanimously that Stephen's term be continued. Donnie will inform Jerry of the Section's position.

ASBOG Review Course Assistance for Florida-AIPG

Bill met with William 'Drew' Andrews in May. He indicated that the state of Florida is very interested in a hosting an ASBOG review session similar to the one hosted by Kentucky. Tentative dates for the review sessions are: Florida: August 22, 2015 and Kentucky: August 29, 2015. Jonathan Welker will be assisting with the geophysical portion of the course, and Bill will be handling the section on hydrogeology.

Lifetime Achievement Plaque Engraving Update

Larry reported that he will be taking the Lifetime Achievement Award plaque which is mounted in the Mines and Mineral Resources Conference Room to the local engraver to have Faith Fiene's name added to it.

Future Executive Committee Meeting Dates

Donnie suggested that the next meeting be held either on July 11th or July 18th, 2015. He did not want to finalize a meeting date with so many people absent today, so he will send out an email to solicit feedback from all committee members.

Bill made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Dan seconded. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 11:19 am.