

Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Saturday, March 9, 2013
Kentucky Geological Survey
Room 102, Mining & Mineral Resources Building
Lexington, Kentucky

Attendees: **Bill Brab**, Jim Cobb, **Tim Crumbie**, Gil Cumbee, **Jim DeCinque**, Frank Ettensohn, Faith Fiene, **Trent Garrison**, Michelle Johnston, Donnie Lumm, Tom Lierman, **Charlie Mason**, Larry Rhodes, **Richard Smath** (Executive Committee members in **bold**).

Meeting called to order at 10:10 am by Trent Garrison.

President's Report:

Trent Garrison deferred his comments until later in the meeting

President Elect's Report:

Bill Brab deferred his comments until later in the meeting.

Past President's Report:

Charlie Mason reported that he took Drs. Phil Curie and Eva Kopellhus to the Red River Gorge and the Cincinnati Museum during the weekend following their presentations. They said they enjoyed their time here and Charlie has made arrangements to meet them in Canada as an opportunity to get out in the field.

Charlie reported that the Kentucky Society of Professional Geologists (KSPG) is holding a free field trip on Saturday, April 13th, 2013 in Bath County. The trip will leave from the Clear Creek Furnace Picnic area at 11 am. Bring your own lunch.

Vice President Report:

Bill deferred his comments until later in the meeting.

Secretary's Report:

Tim Crumbie reported that the draft minutes from the February 2013 meeting were mailed out to the Executive Committee members on March 5, 2013. To date he reported that four (4) "aye" votes have been cast with minor revisions. Tim further reported that letters requesting nominations for annual student award scholarships were mailed to the following schools on February 11, 2013: Eastern Kentucky University, University of Kentucky, Western Kentucky University, Northern Kentucky University, Morehead State University and Murray State University.

As a follow-up to one of the discussions at the last section meeting, Tim contacted Wendy Davidson at AIPG National to ask what rate would be reasonable to charge a company to advertise on the Kentucky Section web page. Wendy responded that National has not been faced with this option so they have no experience from which to draw. She added that they had been contacted by a marketing group who was trying to sell banner space on a website and they were charging \$950 for a side index, \$2,450 for a bottom banner or \$2,950 for both (per year). Trent said he would follow up with the interested party to gauge interest and see how much they think would be appropriate.

Richard made a motion to accept the minutes once Jim DeCinque's name is bolded, Jim seconded. The motion passed

Treasurer's Report:

<i>Previous Balance as of January 31, 2013</i>	\$33,616.57
Total Account Balance as of February 28, 2013	\$34,669.18
General Checking Acct.:	\$474.22
Outreach Checking Acct.:	\$34,194.96

Jim handed out copies of the year-end tax summary report that is due to National in April. Jim summarized the report and Tim made a motion to accept the report, Bill seconded. The motion passed.

Editor's Report

Richard Smath reported that he has sent out notifications for the April short course to the surrounding states, Patrick (KSPG) and the Listserv. He is also keeping the web page current as information becomes available.

Bahamas Short Course

The trip was cancelled this year due to insufficient enrollment.

Darwin Lecture for 2013

Trent indicated that he thought the lecture went well. Attendance (325-350) was a bit less than was hoped, but that may have been partially attributable to the weather.

Gil Cumbee attended the lectures at Morehead State University and reported there were about 40 people at Dr. Kopellhus' talk but he did not take notice of how many attended Dr. Currie's.

Faith asked if it would be possible to offer students an option to have a link to sign up for notifications of future events. Establishing such a service would essentially allow them to establish an emailing list.

Frank reported that UK had committed \$200.00 to support the lecture but had already covered lunches in the amount of \$105, leaving a balance of \$95. Frank said an invoice needs to be submitted. Richard will make an invoice and email it to Frank who can get it to the appropriate person.

West 6th Street Brewery Event

Trent reported that his wife made a flier to hand out to promote the event, which is scheduled for April 12th, 2013 at 6:30pm. Trent and Jim discussed the possibility of having representatives of geology clubs universities on hand, as well as professionals.

The room has already been booked. Trent asked how the cost for the pizza and beer would be covered. Faith suggested that name tags be made available and Trent agreed and said he would provide them.

Spring Professional Development Conference - April 26th, 2013

Bill reported that the plans for the progress for the event are coming along well. Most of the participants have agreed to speak free of charge and the current expenses are mostly limited to food and air fare to get one of the speakers here.

He suggested partitioning an area outside at the core barn because he would like to have various types of machinery and equipment available for display. Bill discussed his general vision for the layout and suggested how it should be set-up. Plans sound like they are moving along very well.

Bill suggested that the state employees be offered an even greater discount if it would help attendance. The costs are expected to be similar to the event last year (approximately \$75 for state employees & members, \$20 for students and \$100 for professionals). Larry suggested that the engineering community should be notified because they also need the credit hours for continuing education requirements.

A deadline of April 1, 2013, been established for nominations for AIPG's annual awards. This would give the Executive Committee an opportunity to vote on the nominations. The annual awards are as follows:

Geologist of the Year

Lifetime Achievement Award (must be a member).

Past President Award

Presidential Certificate of Merit (if suggested)

Miscellaneous

Jim reminded everyone that the Annual KGS seminar is coming up soon (May 17th, 2013), during which time all professional organizations will have an opportunity to give a brief overview, summarize their activities and present awards (as applicable).

Charlie suggested that a second meeting of the Kentucky Geologic Consortium (KGC) be held later in the year, maybe in the fall. This meeting could be a banquet during which honorees would have a second opportunity to be recognized.

As a side item, KSPG is in the process of changing the name of the organization back to Geologic Society of Kentucky (GSK).

Trent announced that the Bluegrass Community Technical College (BCTC) Energy Club has plans to build a sustainable garden at the Leestown Road Campus in Lexington.

Trent also reported that he has a meeting set up with the Secretary of Tourism, Frank Ettensohn and a couple of KAS members to get a sense of perspective on their position and to gauge their level of interest in reviving the efforts to continue development of the Kentucky Natural History Museum.

Larry Rhodes reported that the Board of Registration for Professional Geologists (PG Board) has a meeting scheduled for Monday, April 1, 2013.

Michelle reported that she is on the agenda to speak at the UK Geology club meeting and will use the opportunity to promote the 6th Street Brewery event.

The next section meeting is scheduled for April 6th, 2013 at 10:00 at the Survey, Room 102.

Charlie made a motion to adjourn and Jim seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:39 am.