

Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Saturday, November 20, 2010
Kentucky Geological Survey
Room 102, Mining and Mineral Resources Building
Lexington, Kentucky

Attendees: Jim Cobb, Gil Cumbee, **Jim Howard**, Trent Garrison, **Donnie Lumm**, Daniel Phelps, Larry Rhodes, **Richard Smath** (Executive Committee members in bold). **Charlie Mason** (per telephone hookup)

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m.

President's Report

Jim Howard stated that he had a presentation scheduled for the Owensboro, KY Diocese on May 12, 2011 concerning the popular topic of global warming and climate change.

Jim also stated that he will be head of the ad hoc committee for AIPG National for 2011. His goals are to help the committee to define how to increase membership in AIPG and how to increase activity among active members.

Past President's Report

No Report.

Vice President's Report

Charlie Mason reported that Dr. John ("Jack") Horner, University of Montana, has accepted the invitation to present a guest lecture at the University of Kentucky campus on Thursday evening, February 10, 2011. The presentation is to be titled "How to Build a Dinosaur: Extinction does not have to be Forever". The lecture will be held at the Singletary Center for the Arts. Dr. Horner will arrive in Kentucky on February 10 and depart on February 11. Charlie will coordinate the schedule and logistics for Dr. Horner.

There was a discussion led by Jim Howard on the sponsorship and raising of funds for the guest speaker. He suggested that corporate or department sponsorships should be available for a recommended amount of \$200. The UK Department of Life Sciences was suggested as a possible sponsor. Jim asked Dan Phelps to inquire about the sponsorship to the Life Sciences and to any other potential sponsors.

Charlie stated that the spring 2011 Field Trip would be held at Carter Caves State Resort Park sometime in April. The exact date has not been selected. Charlie, Frank Etensohn, and Tom Lierman would be leading the field trip. The trip would hopefully involve a visit to one of the caves and also the surrounding surface areas.

Secretary's Report

In the absence of Secretary Tim Crumbie, Donnie Lumm stated that according to Tim, the Minutes of the September 25, 2010 Executive Committee Meeting were voted upon and approved electronically. Hard copies of the Secretary's Minutes of the September 25 Meeting were provided by Tim and handed out at today's meeting by Gil Cumbee to all in attendance.

Treasurer's Report

Donnie Lumm provided a hard copy of the Treasurer's Report, dated November 18, 2010, to all in attendance. The main items are as follows:

Balance of GENERAL ACCOUNT	\$479.50
Balance of OUTREACH BUDGET	\$4,236.07
Balance of Total Checking Account	\$4,715.57
Balance of 10-month CD (#8644)	\$15,178.70
Balance of 10-month CD (#9487)	\$12,159.01
Balance of CD accounts	\$27,337.71
TOTAL KY-AIPG Operating and Investment Funds	\$32,053.28

Donnie stated that one of the 10-month CD accounts (#9487) was scheduled to mature on November 21, 2010 and asked the Executive Committee if it should be renewed for the same term. Donnie also stated that he suggested that the account be leveled off at \$12,000 and the small remainder (\$159.01) be transferred to the General Checking Account as it was relatively low. There was a short discussion and approval.

Jim Howard made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and Richard Smath seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Board of Registration Report

Larry Rhodes provided a copy of his Summary of the 2010 Association of State Boards of Geology (ASBOG) Business Meeting from his presence at the November 6, 2010 meeting in St. Louis, MO. The Summary stated the ASBOG budgets and amendments for the budgets for 2011 and 2012 were voted on and approved. Committee reports were presented, and a slate of officers was voted on and elected (none are from Kentucky)

Jim Cobb stated a group called the Kentuckians for the Commonwealth have complained that unqualified people have been doing professional geology work. The Board of Registration is looking into this matter and will render an opinion and declaratory ruling in the near future. There was further discussion of this issue, and Jim suggested that there should be a committee formed to explore registration laws for contract work and professional geologist's signatures to approve of the accuracy of the work and reports. Trent Garrison stated that he would request Larry Hughes of the State's Corrective Action to come to the next Executive Committee meeting to discuss this issue.

Jim Howard stated that he was willing to proceed with another attempt to have the Kentucky Section host the environmental remediation conference that was scheduled for August 2010 and which was cancelled due to lack of enrollment. He stated that he had spoken with all of the originally proposed speakers and that they had all agreed to speak in the future. Jim mentioned that he would attempt to have the Conference scheduled in late winter or early spring 2011, and not in the summer or on a weekend, which he said was one of the reasons that the Conference failed to attract attendees. He stated that he would soon follow-up with an e-mail message to the Executive Committee with a proposed date for the Conference. (Subsequent to this Executive Committee meeting, a November 30 e-mail from Jim Howard indicated that Tuesday, April 12, 2011 was the date that was agreed upon for the Conference by the expected speakers).

Editor's Report

Richard Smath is updating the new website with information regarding the February, 10 2011 special outreach presentation on dinosaurs by Jack Horner and also with listing awards made to Kentucky Geologists. Richard has written and posted the Fall 2010 Newsletter on the new website. He mentioned that he still continues to lack significant news or contributions from members.

Old Business

As a result of the recent Election, the Executive Committee Officers for 2011 are as follows:

President: Frank Etensohn
Vice President: Trent Garrison
Treasurer: Donnie Lumm

President Elect: Charlie Mason
Secretary: Tim Crumbie
Editor: Richard Smath

New Business

Richard Smath presented the copy of the published obituary of Tom Ryavec, who passed away October 18, 2010. Mr. Ryavec was President of the Kentucky Section-AIPG in 2001, and he also served on the Kentucky Board of Professional Registration from 2006 thru 2009 and was the President of that Board during 2008-2009. Donnie Lumm mentioned that he had received an acknowledgement from the Jessamine County Habitat for Humanity regarding the \$50 check donation given by the Section in the name of Tom Ryavec. Richard also mentioned that Tim Porritt, a KY-AIPG member who lived in Frankfort, passed away recently.

Jim Howard stated that incoming president Frank Etensohn will propose and schedule the next Executive Committee meeting as he is the incoming President for 2011. Because Frank is not present at this meeting, the date of the next meeting is not known. The next meeting was subsequently scheduled for December 18, 2010 at KGS @ 10 am.

Donnie Lumm made a motion to close the meeting and Richard Smath seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.