Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Saturday, September 12, 2015 Kentucky Geological Survey Room 102, Mining & Mineral Resources Building Lexington, Kentucky

Attendees: **Tim Crumbie**, Gil Cumbee, **Jim DeCinque**, Frank Ettensohn, **Faith Fiene**, Rebecca Freeman, Trent Garrison, Earl Hoover, **Donnie Lumm**, Larry Rhodes, Richard Smath, Alicia Solomon, J.P. Sparr, Dave Williams (Executive Committee members in **bold**).

Welcome and Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00am by President Donnie Lumm. Officers for the University of Kentucky (UK) Student Chapter of AIPG for 2015, several of whom were in attendance, are as follows:

Faculty Advisor: Rebecca Freeman
President: Thomas Murrell
Vice President: Matthew Cecil
Treasurer: Darion Carden
Secretary: Alicia Solomon

President's Report:

Donnie reported that he will be attending the AIPG Annual Meeting in Anchorage, Alaska and represent the Kentucky Section as a delegate next weekend. He will arrive in Anchorage on Thursday, September 17 and attend an advisory board meeting on Friday, September 18. Donnie will attend an opening session meeting on Sunday, September 20 and leave for Kentucky on late Sunday evening.

Donnie passed out copies of the Section Delegate's Report to the AIPG 2015 Advisory Board that he completed as required by AIPG National. The report summarized student outreach activities, future plans for outreach activities, problems/issues the section has experienced, and provides an opportunity to make suggestions on ways that AIPG can be improved if funding were unlimited.

President Elect Report

No report.

Vice President's report

Faith Fiene reported the she and Dan Phelps assisted Jerry Weisenfluh with the poll he is preparing, to gauge interest on the need for continuing education. Faith and Dan provided feedback but have not yet seen the final version of the survey. Trent Garrison also indicated that he read over the draft questions that are proposed to be included in the survey. Donnie indicated he will follow-up with Jerry. Gil Cumbee provided an overview of the history and prior efforts to address the need for continuing education in the past.

Past President's Report:

Trent Garrison reported that approximately 30 participants attended the Student Outreach event at Ethereal Brewing in Lexington on September 3, 2015. He thought the event went well. He indicated the owners are willing to host the event in the future. The \$100.00 seed money check was presented to the UK Student Chapter of AIPG during the event. Donnie indicated that he would prepare a draft guidance document that the chapter could use for reference, and asked that they feel free to contact him if they have any questions or need help.

Donnie commended Bill on his efforts to set up the upcoming social event at Northern Kentucky University (NKU). Richard indicated that Tom Brackman is no longer employed at NKU and that he is relocating to Western Kentucky University (WKU).

Trent reported that he is thinking about having the Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) event on a Thursday evening at the Apollo Restaurant in Richmond, Kentucky. The event is tentatively scheduled for October 1, 2015.

Secretary's Report:

Tim Crumbie reported that the draft minutes from the August 15, 2015 meeting were emailed to Executive Committee members on September 9, 2015. After recommended revisions were incorporated, the minutes were approved electronically on September 10, 2015.

Treasurer's Report:

Jim DeCinque provided Treasurer's reports for the month ending August 31, 2015. The following balances were reported for the AIPG interest bearing checking account on the referenced dates:

Report dated August 31, 2015

Previous balance as of July 31, 2015 \$38,838.23 **Total Funds as of August 31, 2015** \$38,840.54

Net change from previous report: \$2.31

Tim made a motion to accept the August 2015 Treasurer's report and Donnie seconded. The motion passed.

Gil asked if the new student chapters would be required to report their finances to National AIPG separately or if they need to be incorporated into the Kentucky Section's report. Jim reported that National had recommended that a representative from the Executive Committee be listed on the financial account(s) for student chapters, along with a person from the student chapter.

Editor's Report

Richard Smath reported that Gil Cumbee sent him pictures of the outreach event at Ethereal Brewing to add to the web page. He indicated that Mike Lynch (Communications director at KGS) suggested that he get releases from the people in the pictures before posting. Richard reported that he has complied with the Mike's recommendation.

Discussion Points:

Fall Professional Development Conference - Shallow Subsurface Geophysical Methods:

The professional development course entitled "Geophysical Techniques and Applications – Non Invasive Methods for Subsurface Characterization and Interpretation" is scheduled for Friday, October 16, 2015, at the Kentucky Geological Survey (KGS) Well Sample and Core Library. Six (6) professional development hours (PDHs) will be awarded for attendance. The early registration costs to attend the conference are as follows:

Non-AIPG Members: \$100.00 Government Employees: \$85.00 AIPG Members: \$75.00 Students (non-AIPG): \$20.00

Students (non-AIPG): \$20.00 Student AIPG members: free

After October 7, 2015, registration fees will change to:

Non-AIPG Members: \$125.00 Government Employees: \$110.00

AIPG Members: \$100.00

Richard added that Drew Andrew requested that the section add text to the section web page to encourage those planning to take the ASBOG exam to attend these types of events because they offer good training opportunities.

Gil stated that the Kentucky Section should feel privileged to have these types of educational opportunities available because many other states do not.

Student Outreach Planning (WKU, Murray and Morehead)

Trent reported that Bill had indicated that a student outreach trip to Murray State University is tentatively scheduled for Friday, October 9, 2015.

Proposed Amendment of Section By-Laws (update):

Trent indicated that Bill had reported that the proposed amendments to the Kentucky By-Laws have been submitted to National AIPG for consideration.

Board of Registration Update

Gil reported that Lindsey Melton, the Administrator for the Board of Registration for Geologists, ended her employment on August 31, 2015. Gil took the opportunity to emphasize the importance of pursuing professional registration shortly after graduation.

Donnie reported that he has not received any feedback from the mass mailing to the various counties that was undertaken in June of 2015. Trent provided a bit of background and explained that the mailing was sent out to educate local governments on the importance of geologists, because when geological problems arise, they are often are passed to engineers instead of geologists.

Gil reported that the next Board meeting is scheduled for October 5, 2015. The next ASBOG exam is scheduled for Friday, October 2, 2015 at the Transportation Building in Frankfort.

Other Items

Richard announced that October 24, 2015, the Geological Society of Kentucky (GSK) will be hosting a Family Fun Day. The trip will leave from Stearns, Kentucky at approximately 9:00 am and participants will visit the Blue Heron and Barthell Coal mining camps, take a trip into a coal mine, and make stops at various points of interest along the way. GSK will send a formal announcement as the event nears.

Larry Rhodes provided the following potential list for the 2016 Executive Committee Members for consideration:

Pres. Elect: To be determined (position vacant)
President: Dan Phelps (not up for election)
Vice President: Faith Fiene (position vacant)
Past President: Donnie Lumm (not up for election)
Secretary: Tim Crumbie (not up for election)
Treasurer: Jim DeCinque (not up for election)

Communications Coordinator: Richard Smath (not up for election)

Donnie stated that according to the Bylaws the ballot will need to be completed and voted upon by the membership in November.

Dave Williams, KGS, provided an update on the Indiana –Kentucky Geological Society. He said the Society is again becoming active after a period of dormancy. The next meeting is scheduled for September 23, 2015 at Wolf's Barbeque in Evansville, Indiana. Seth Carpenter with KGS will be presenting a lecture on the Seismicity of Fracking. Jennifer Miller the secretary for the Society and is interested in organizing a field trip for a later date.

Trent asked if Frank Ettensohn was planning on hosting a Bahamas field trip every year. Frank stated the trip will be hosted every two years instead of annually, and that the next trip would be scheduled for 2017. Richard reported that he is compiling a list of items that would be useful to take on the trip, for those who are not familiar with snorkeling or know what to bring for this type of outing (type of snorkel, shoes, underwater cameras, etc). He is requesting input from others to assist with the development of the list.

The next meeting will be held at 10:00 am on October 10, 2015 in Room 102 in the Mines and Mineral Resources Building at the Kentucky Geological Survey. Faith made a motion of close the meeting, Jim seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:11 am.