Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Saturday, January 17, 2015 Kentucky Geological Survey Room 102, Mining & Mineral Resources Building Lexington, Kentucky

Attendees: Ashley Bandy, Ralph Bandy, Rick Bowersox, **Bill Brab**, Kate Burton, **Tim Crumbie**, Gil Cumbee, **Jim DeCinque**, Faith Fiene, Earl Hoover, John Krueger, **Donnie Lumm**, Vickie Oberc, Larry Rhodes, Daniel Skillman, **Richard Smath**, J.P. Sparr, Jerry Weisenfluh (Executive Committee members in **bold**).

Welcome and Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Donnie Lumm. Donnie welcomed all attendees and gave an overview of AIPG and the Section.

President's Report:

Donnie deferred most of his comments until later in the meeting, but added that he is planning to have an active and sustained year.

President Elect's Report:

No report.

Past President's Report:

Bill Brab deferred his comments until later.

Vice President Report:

No report.

Secretary's Report:

Tim Crumbie reported that the draft minutes from the December 6, 2014 meeting were emailed to Executive Committee members on January 12, 2015, and approved after minor changes on January 14th, 2015.

Treasurer's Report:

Previous balance as of November 30, 2014 \$33,037.72 **Total Funds as of December 31, 2014** \$34,523.74

Net change from previous report: +\$1,486.02

Faith made a motion to accept the treasurers report, Richard seconded. The motion passed.

Jim DeCinque presented the 2015 budget to the committee. The budget was presented on a spreadsheet and compared to the past two years. The income for the coming year was projected to be \$13,747.00, while the expenses were estimated at \$15,153.00. He reported that the 2014 year ended with a net increase of approximately \$2,919.00. Gil Cumbee mentioned that the members should do what they can to minimize expenses so the year will not end with a deficit. Donnie explained that the budget is just an estimate and the section members are still learning the process. He anticipates the budgeting process to become more accurate over time.

Editor's Report

Richard Smath reported that the site currently is up to date. He indicated that he has completed his review of the minutes from 2014, and has extracted information that will be used to compile a newsletter.

Discussion Points:

Spring 2015 ASBOG Refresher Course

Donnie indicated that the course is scheduled to start at 8 am on January 31, 2015. Jim reported that thirteen participants have registered for the course, but he is expecting more. Richard indicated that he can take care of scheduling the refreshments, and Donnie indicated that he can work out the lunch details, which

will likely be pizza. Richard stated that he can make certificates validating attendance, for those who are interested. Bill will make copies of the informational packet and bring them to the course.

The next ASBOG exam is scheduled for March 6, 2015.

Darwin Lecture Series 2015

The event will be held in Memorial Hall on February 11, 2015. Dr. Dave Meyer "(University of Cincinnati)" will be the guest speaker. Richard will make the necessary arrangements with those in charge of the audio/visual aspects of the event. Donnie volunteered to contact Dan Phelps and ask if he can introduce the speaker because of their familiarity with one another.

Richard reminded everyone that Collie Rulo is retired and she may not be available to assist with graphics. Donnie indicated that he will check prices for alternatives. Faith indicated that based on her experience, it is best to have posters/announcements displayed at least two weeks before the event. Jerry Weisenfluh indicated that he would check if others at the Survey would be willing to assist with the program. Donnie asked Executive Committee members to attempt to find potential sponsors for the event. Bill will work with Jim on this endeavor.

Dr. Neil Shubin is still being considered for the 2016 lecture.

Bahamas Carbonate Course

Frank Ettensohn and Charlie Mason will be leading this event. Frank said eight people and one child have already registered for the trip. Frank said he expects at least 11 more. Today (January 17th) is the cutoff date for participants to receive a full refund if needed. Jim indicated that he does not know several of the registrants, so he has no way to contact them if something changes or if additional information is needed. He stated that several registrants have only been sending checks with no contact information. Contact information (other than the mailing address) is needed in the event there are changes or corrections (such as one instance where a registrant made out the check incorrectly and the bank would only accept it in the lesser amount). Frank will likely be the best resource to assist in identifying some of these people. The course will be held from March 14-21, 2015.

Frank requested clarification of the costs for the trip because has been confusion about how the rates apply to different tiers. After a short discussion, it was determined that the professional rate of \$609.00 covers the basic costs to attend the event. This rate does not include the cost for spouses of professionals or students, which is \$559.00 as advertised on the section web page. The rate tiers for students and AIPG member are reflective of discounts that have been offered to those groups. The Kentucky Section will bear the costs of these discounts. Basically, all attendees except students, spouses and AIPG members will have to pay the professional rate of \$609.00. AIPG members will pay \$584.00. Please note that that these costs *do not* include transportation/air fare.

2015 Spring Short Course

The coursework is entitled *Unconventional Oil and Gas Reserves*. Donnie reported that he is working on the arrangements and is still trying to work with the Kentucky Oil and Gas Association (KOGA). The tentative dates for the course are April 17th, & 18th, 2015. Donnie reported that he is still working on obtaining potential speakers for the event. Frank will be hosting the field trip portion of the program.

Richard reported that the Eastern Section of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG) will hold their annual meeting in Lexington, Kentucky in 2016. Donnie gave an overview of the event and mentioned there will be several opportunities for students to make contact with potential employers.

<u>Update/Modernization of By-Laws</u>

Bill reported that he is still working on these and will send an update later.

Donnie reported that he has emailed Michael May at Western Kentucky University (WKU) to see if he can fill a speaker's slot for the Friday afternoon seminar. Donnie would like to meet with students and will contact Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) later. Bill reported that he is working with other Kentucky universities to start establishing student chapters and would like to coordinate efforts with Donnie. Jerry reported that has a meeting scheduled with Northern Kentucky University (NKU).

Board of Registration Update

Gil reported that the draft letter (to local municipalities) that he had sent Donnie for review had been written from the perspective the Board of Registration would send it. The text would likely need to be tweaked if it is to be issued by AIPG instead of the Board. Donnie will find the letter and see what revisions are necessary. Jerry recommended that the county extension offices should not be overlooked because they serve as important resources to locals.

Gil reported that the next board meeting is January 26th, 2015 (which is a special meeting). Larry reported that the ABOG organization is going through some changes, and we will have to wait to see how it pans out.

Gil reported that Lindsay Layne, the board administrator, recently got married and her new name is Lindsay Melton.

Tim reported that he will be sending letters to the colleges and universities to request nominations for the student awards within the next week. He requested to be advised if anyone knows of any personnel changes at the universities, or if the letters should be sent to someone in particular.

Jerry announced that the Kentucky Geological Survey (KGS) will co-host a geohazard mitigation workshop with GeoStabilization International (GSI) entitled *Advanced Topics in Landslides and Slope Stabilization*. The workshop will be held at the Core Barn on February 17, 2015.

The KGS Annual Meeting is scheduled to be held at the Core Barn on Friday, May 15th, 2015.

Donnie recommended that the next meeting be scheduled for February 28th, 2015 at 10:00 am in Room 102 in the Mines and Mineral Resources Building at the Kentucky Geological Survey. Bill made a motion to accept the meeting date and Jim seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.