

Kentucky Section AIPG Business Meeting

Saturday, October 5, 2019

Kentucky Geological Survey
Conference Room 102, UK Mining & Mineral Resources Building
Lexington, Kentucky

Attendees: **Bill Brab, Tim Crumbie, Frank Ettensohn, Faith Fiene, Trent Garrison, Donnie Lumm, Edward Lo, John Popp, Richard Smath.**

Welcome and Call to Order

President Donnie Lumm called the meeting to order at 10:10 am.

President's Report

Donnie reported that the AIPG National Conference that was held on September 14-17, 2019 in Burlington, Vermont. He said that approximately 220 people attended the event and estimated that 40-50 of those were guests or spouses. Donnie commented that he felt the meeting was very well organized and the venue was adequate. He had the opportunity to speak with AIPG representatives from surrounding states to see how their sections are faring. Donnie reported that based on his discussions, the Tennessee Section seems to be virtually non-existent, the Missouri Section appears to be struggling and the Virginia Section is inactive. The Ohio Section however, appears to be flourishing. Based on his observations, Donnie feels that Kentucky-AIPG is holding its own but is still looking to grow. At the meeting, Dr. Frank Ettensohn received the Ben H. Parker Memorial Medal which is awarded to individuals who have long standing records of academic accomplishment in geology. Randy Shields and Andrew Jones, of the Kentucky Section, also attended the meeting. Andrew Jones was elected to serve on the AIPG National Advisory Board. Donnie added that approximately 25 people attended his presentation on the "Geology and Economics of the Crushed Stone Industry in Kentucky".

The 2020 AIPG Annual Meeting will be held in Sacramento, California and the 2021 Annual Meeting will be hosted in Marquette, Michigan.

John Popp asked if the Executive Committee thought that KY-AIPG should be providing periodic updates to National AIPG to let them know what the Section is doing. General discussion was held on the topic and the general consensus was that the Section should provide more frequent updates to National for this purpose. John volunteered to come up with some examples of information that could be sent to National AIPG and the Executive Committee can decide if the information would be worthwhile to submit.

President Elect

Edward Lo reported that he has been working on getting graduate students more involved in issues that are relevant to them. He is planning on discussing the benefits of joining AIPG at a University of Kentucky Geology Club meeting that will be held prior to October 16, 2019.

Edward reported that he is going to apply for a science grant through the American Geophysical Union (AGU), which provides funding for geologic outreach activities. The next Geology Club meeting is October 10th at 5:30.

Edward reported that the East Kentucky Science Center will be hosting an event on November 9, 2019. He thinks this event could serve as an outreach opportunity but is considering pulling back because of logistics and scheduling conflicts. Donnie indicated that he can send out the membership roster that he color coded based on membership status, that could be sorted by geographic location and used to contact people located in different regions of the state. This could be useful if KY-AIPG were to host an event in an area where additional resources were needed.

Vice President

John Popp reported that he attended the Kentucky Geological Survey (KGS) Advisory Board meeting on September 27, 2019. John stated that Tim Crumbie also attended the meeting as a potential volunteer to serve on the Board in the future. John reported that KGS has completed a self-study that is presented to the Vice President of Research at the University of Kentucky (UK). John reported that about 170 years of experience has been recently lost through retirements and that KGS is replacing retired employees. The lost years of experience lost cannot be replaced but the new employees are being hired at a substantial cost savings to the Survey. Dr. Bill Haneberg reported that KGS has been awarded several grants and because of that, and decreased overhead, they were able to give mandated employee raises.

This meeting was followed by a KGS State Map Advisory Committee meeting where it was reported that they are currently working surficial geology maps in the Louisville, KY area. The committee reported that they will be moving to the Lexington area in the future.

John reported that Tim is considering filling out an application to fill one of the appointed positions that have been and will be vacated. Faith Fiene reported that she has also submitted an application.

KGS will hold an Earth Science Week Open House on October 16, 2019 from 6:00-7:30pm.

Secretary's Report

Tim Crumbie reported that the minutes from the August 17, 2019 KY-AIPG meeting were emailed to the Executive Committee on October 2, 2019. The minutes were approved by a majority electronic vote on October 3, 2019 after revisions were made.

Treasurer's Report

Bill Brab distributed copies of the Treasurer's report for the periods ending August 31 and September 30, 2019. The reports are summarized below:

Total Operating Funds as of July 31, 2019	\$25,605.24
Checking Balance as of August 31, 2019	\$25,348.53
PayPal Account Balance as of August 31, 2019	\$ 193.00
Total Operating Funds as of August 31, 2019	\$25,541.53
Net change from previous report:	- \$63.71

Trent Garrison made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, John seconded. The motion passed.

Total Operating Funds as of August 31, 2019	\$25,541.53
Checking Balance as of September 30, 2019	\$24,301.42
PayPal Account Balance as of September 30, 2019	\$ 337.75
Total Operating Funds as of September 30, 2019	\$24,639.17
Net change from previous report:	- \$902.36

John made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s report as presented. Donnie seconded. The motion carried.

Past President’s Report

No report.

Communication Coordinator’s Report

Richard Smath reported that he has assembled some information from the recent Clastics and Core Logging Workshop for the website but hasn’t posted yet due to concerns relating to the use of photographs or images that show people’s faces without having their permission to do so. He’s waiting to receive additional information from the event so he can upload it all at the same time.

Donnie thanked Richard for his work on the website and asked if he could prepare a summary or tutorial of sorts, about how to maintain it so that more than one person will know how to do it. Bill reported that the website it is hosted through National AIPG who provides users with the credentials which are needed to access it. Richard indicated that he would check with Wendy Davidson to see if more than one person from each section can have access the website. Donnie mentioned that a couple of people attending the national meeting complimented the KY-AIPG website.

Trent reported the Kentucky Academy of Science (KAS) will be holding their National Meeting at Berea College on November 1-2, 2019. Dan Phelps and Trent will sit on a panel to discuss the documentary ‘*We Believe in Dinosaurs*’ and to answer questions from the audience. Frank will be leading one of the field trips to Big Hill (\$10 to cover the cost of vehicles and food) on Saturday. Frank reported that about 200 posters are registered to be displayed during the event and Trent said about 519 guests, mostly students, are registered to attend the meeting.

Board of Registration Report

The Kentucky Geological Survey (KGS) will be hosting all ASBOG training events going forward. The ASBOG exam was administered on October 4, 2019. Six took the FG exam. Mark Sweet proctored the morning FG exam and Bill proctored the afternoon PG exam. The next Board meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2019.

EDUCATION / COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Clastics and Core Logging Workshop

The workshop was held at the Earth Analysis Research Library (EARL) on Friday, September 20, 2019. John thought the event was successful and thanked Frank and Donnie for their efforts. He said a lot of younger people were in attendance and he got a Friend Request from one of the students he met from Western Kentucky. Frank thought it was good event and mentioned that he has received requests for

copies of the logging manual that he is trying to obtain. Donnie reported that he wished the event would have been publicized more. He sent notified a few people in Indiana of the event and couple of them attended. If there were more time, he thinks that we may have had more out of state attendees. Donnie estimated that 40 people attended the event. Trent suggested publicizing the event online as an easy way to reach a lot of people. Donnie will ask Bill to evaluate the event from a financial standpoint to determine if it was profitable. John reported that William 'Drew' Andrews (KGS) had indicated that he liked the size of the event. It wasn't overcrowded so they were able to give an appropriate amount of attention to those who had questions or needed help.

Campus Visits

- University of Kentucky- Bill attended the September 12, 2019 meeting with Dr. Freeman. He introduced himself and promoted the KY AIPG. The next meeting is scheduled for October 10, 2019 and if possible, he will try to attend.
- Eastern Kentucky University- Bill and Mark Sweet attended a meeting on Sept. 30, 2019 with John Malzone, Melissa Dieckmann and Wally Borowski. They were invited to come back on October 30, 2019 from 3:45 - 5:00pm to participate in a panel discussion. One of the topics they addressed is that ECU needs a third-party review of a report that they are preparing and they are interested to see if KY-AIPG would serve as that third party. They offered KY-AIPG the option to host upcoming meetings in their new building on campus and have asked for suggestions of qualified persons to assist with identifying an extensive vertebrate paleontology collection that was 'willed' to the geology department.
- Northern Kentucky University- Trent said he will probably attend a geology club meeting in late October and is planning to discuss AIPG during that event.
- Morehead State University- Donnie reported that Jen O'Keefe is on extended leave so Donnie will need to find the new contact there.

Student Workshop for Resume/Cover Preparation

Donnie asked meeting attendees if they think it is a good idea to host an event to help students prepare resumes and cover letters. He also requested feedback as to how it should be presented (live event, webinar...).

Darwin Lecture Series

Edward asked if any decisions had been made about the pending lecture series. Donnie reported that no decisions concerning the event have been made as yet. General discussion was held about the venue that was used last year and options for where to hold the next lecture.

Dan Phelps invited Robert Depalma, Paleontologist at the Palm Beach, Florida Museum of Natural History, to speak at the next Darwin Lecture Series but he has not heard back yet. Donnie indicated that he may have another potential option to serve as the speaker, Joe Devera, a field geologist with the Illinois Geological Survey.

Other Discussion Topics

KY-AIPG Bylaw Revision – Donnie reported that the recommended amendment to Section 4.1.1 of the KY-AIPG By-Laws was voted for approval by the AIPG National Executive Committee at the Annual Business meeting on September 14, 2019.

Donnie asked Tim to develop a list of which KY AIPG Executive Committee offices are up for election this year. He would like to have a list prior to the next meeting.

Richard said that the Southeast Bluegrass Chapter of the Association of Women Geoscientists is being threatened with dissolution due to member apathy. Richard added that their website address is AWG.Org and he urged others to review it what can be done to help.

Next Meeting

Donnie recommended holding the next KY-AIPG Executive Committee meeting on November 7, 2019, at a venue to be determined, at 6:00 pm at this location. John made a motion to close the meeting, Richard seconded. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:37 am.