

## 2020 Annual General Meeting Agenda

Saskatchewan Geological Society Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 via Teams

1 Call to Order 1:34 pm.

2 Approval of the Agenda.

Motion to approve by Charlie Harper, Dave Thomas seconded; Motion carried.

3 Approval of the Minutes of the 2019 AGM held February 15, 2020 (minutes provided).

Motion to approve by Chris Gilboy, Pam Schwann seconded; Motion carried.

4 Approval of 2020 Executive Reports

4.1 President, Brian Brunskill.

Motion to approve by Janice Dale, Kate MacLachlan seconded; Motion carried.

4.2 Vice-president, Taylor Forsyth.

Motion to approve by Janice Dale, Pam Schwann seconded; Motion carried.

4.3 Business Manager & Secretary, Andrew Morley & Samantha Van De Kerckhove

Motion to approve by Charlie Harper; Dave Thomas seconded; Motion carried.

4.4 Treasurer, Dillon Johnstone.

Motion to approve by Dave Thomas, Sam VDK seconded,

Discussion:

Dillon Johnstone explained that the budget was made without using 2020 as a reference. There was note about the potential lack of funds from PTRC for the Williston Basin Conference but Williston Basin Conference should be back in Regina in 2022; so we may get funding again in future.

Melinda Yurkowski thinks the conference is a valuable society contribution, so we will likely get funding again in future

Bob McDonald noted that no APEGS annual grant was given to the Society this year; executive was aware of this and noted that it got missed this year because there was miscommunication about who should apply for it and how. Executive will be submitting for the grant in future.

Kate MacLachlan asked if we are expecting to be back paid for 2020 grant? Dillon budgeted that we will get it in 2021, but not necessarily banking on back pay for 2020.

There has also been confusion about the timing of it all and the executive will be sorting it out in future. Kate will try help us get back pay.

Pam Schwann asked about when the last time there was a review engagement report; Michelle Hanson said it was done around 4 years ago and cost \$4000.

Motion carried.

Non-profit Corporation Act, 1995 requires yearly vote as to whether or not we need a financial audit.

Motion NOT to have an audit by Sam VDK, Dave Thomas seconded;

Discussion:

Melinda Yurkowski asks about vote approval being 2/3rds of people present or a percent of the members? General consensus is that its only for people present

Unanimous vote NOT to have audit (29 members present).

If no audit, a vote whether to have a “review engagement report” on Society’s financial Statement is needed.

Discussion:

Lynn Kelly recommended that this be done every 4-5 years; perhaps we should implement a schedule.

Michelle Hanson noted that we employed a book keeper a couple years ago, and although that isn’t a review it can give us similar peace of mind that our finances are not being mismanaged.

Sam VDK suggests that this is not a good year to have a review because of the abnormal society activities due to COVID-19.

Melinda Yurkowski asked if we can implement a schedule instead of having a vote every year; Answer: Non-profit Corporation Act, 1995, dictates that we MUST vote every year.

Pam Schwann suggests executive makes a schedule in order to expedite this part of the AGM each year.

Dave MacDougall notes that if we implement a schedule, we can budget for the cost of the reviews.

Unanimous vote NO (29 members present).

#### 4.5 Speaker Program, David Thomas & Alec Pollard.

Motion to approve by Charlie Harper, Sam VDK seconded;

Discussion:

Great job!

Charlie Harper asked about the number of people attending; Answer: started with lower attendance mid 20s and then slowly gained more people. Now we have 60 to 65 people attending. People from Alberta and elsewhere across Western Canada.

Mike Thomas thinks we should continue some virtual part after COVID because we can reach more people outside of Regina.

Janice Dale asked if it is possible to record some of the speakers and have them available for people who missed it? Answer: There are some legal and technical issues, but legal more so. Dave Thomas will still investigate options for recording going forward. Need to figure out where to host the recordings.

Melinda Yurkowski noted that CSPG recorded presentations - they have a form/waiver we could use as an example.

Brian Brunskill noted that when he did a CIM presentation, they recorded the talk and gave it back to him. That way he could provide it to whoever asks for it rather than it

being distributed by CIM. This might also be an option for us. He also noted that we're sharing communications with CIM such as talk notifications.

Bob McDonald noted that would be helpful to have the talk schedule on APEGS website.

Answer: they can link directly to our Events page on the SGS website.

Motion carried.

## 5 Approval of the 2020 Committee Reports.

5.1 Education and Outreach Committee, Kate MacLachlan (chair).

Motion to approve by Andrew Morley, Dave Thomas seconded;

Discussion:

Outreach activities might move to a more virtual setting in future.

Motion carried.

5.2 Field Trip Committee, John Lake (chair).

Motion to approve by Pam Schwann, Kate MacLachlan seconded;

Discussion:

Mike Thomas mentioned that in conversation with John Lake, plans were all in place for a Yellowstone trip; should things open by August, those plans could potentially be brought back into play for this year.

Will get a virtual field trip of the Bay of Fundy in April by Murray Gingars

Motion carried.

5.3 Geoscience Calendar Committee, Ralf Maxeiner (chair).

Motion to approve by Dave Thomas, Charlie Harper seconded;

Discussion:

Great product as always.

Motion carried.

5.4 GeoExplore Saskatchewan Committee, Kate MacLachlan & Ralf Maxeiner (co-chairs).

Motion to approve by Gavin Jensen, Samantha VDK seconded;

Discussion:

APEGS will continue to promote GeoExplore for Engineering and Geoscience week this year. There will be a video about it made for schools and public. Lots of work has gone into it and it has turned out great.

Motion carried.

5.5 Geological Survey Open House Committee, Jason Berenyi (chair).

Motion to approve by Dave Thomas, Dillon Johnstone seconded;

Jason Berenyi said they are hoping to run open house again this year; hopefully in person but if not – virtual.

Motion carried.

5.6 Williston Basin Petroleum Conference Committee, Erik Nickel (chair).

Motion to approve by Gavin Jensen, Andrew Morley seconded;

Discussion:

Will host again in 2022

Motion carried.

#### 5.7 Awards Committee, Mike Thomas (chair).

Motion to approve by Charlie Harper, Dave Thomas seconded;

Discussion:

No poster awards this year because there was no Open House. University Awards will be given in April the winners (TBD). Kudos to Murray Rogers for organizing this so well for so many years.

Motion carried.

#### 5.8 Honour Roll Committee, David MacDougall (member).

Motion to approve by Charlie Harper, Charlie Carlisle seconded;

Discussion:

Dave notes the need for more members on the committee, and he nominates Dave Thomas and Mike Thomas to join the committee along with Don Kent and Jim Christopher

Motion carried.

### 6 Business from the Floor, new and old.

Gavin Jensen (APEGS council Liaison):

APEGS is going through a Governance change right now. APEGS funds the society grant and GeoExplore; there will be more funding opportunities for Professional Development that the society could potentially make use of, perhaps by hosting a core conference or something like that.

Other notes: APEGS AGM will be virtual in April. Awards handed out at the AGM and this year's Brian Eckel Distinguished Service Award will be awarded to Dave MacDougall! Congratulations Dave! He is only the third geoscientist to receive this award. APEGS will be doing a short video to commemorate Dave; Ralf Maxeiner nominated him and will be included in the video.

Brian Brunskill:

Thank to everyone for writing up all the reports and all the work you do year-round.

### 7 "Election"/ introduction of the 2021 Executive.

Sam VDK motioned that the terms for each current executive position (excluding one co-program chair) be extended for a year due to the disruption caused by COVID-19, Janice Dale seconded;

Discussion:

We still need to find a program chair to replace Alec.

Motion carried.

8 Adjournment.  
Meeting Adjourned