

Executive Meeting Minutes - Saskatchewan Geological Society

August 26, 2015 Noon,

2nd fl boardroom, 2101 Scarth St

Present: Ralf Maxeiner, Colin Card, Bernadette Knox, Michelle Hanson, Monica Cliveti, Kate MacLachlan (Education committee), Dave MacDougall (AGM committee), John Kelley, (Student Rep)

Regrets: Maria Velez, Ryan Morelli

Ralf welcomes John Kelley, student rep of U of R D Kent club, to first meeting. John responds that either himself or the president Jared Knoll will attend future meetings and look forward to working with the Society.

1. Approval of Agenda

Agenda approval by all in attendance.

2. Approval of Minutes of last executive meeting on May 20, 2015.

Ralf has reviewed on everyone's behalf. Several items resolved and some moved forward. Michelle motions to approve the minutes and Monica seconds. Everyone in attendance approves.

3. New business

a. Publication orders; Postal Card; Ralf

Postal card discussion. Several orders were being shipped out the summer. The values in these cards is a discount on the shipping rate for small businesses. Ralf and Bernadette will each keep one and use for shipping related to SGS business. Savings is about 30%. *these will be passed along to next year's exec. Mail Chimp –The last newsletter was sent out to the membership. This would streamline the sending of emails to the membership. Then our emails will come from our SGS website and will look more official to the membership.

b. AAPG datapages (offer to distribute CD); print-on demand (Print-West); Ralf

Ralf has been in communications with AAPG. We try to have people to go through the AAPG website since it makes selling publications far easier for us. We will continue to send people to this website. They bundle a DVD of all of the SGS publications into a single volume. They sent us one of their DVDs free of charge. All of our publications are now digital and on this DVD. We now also have our own digital copies of all of our publications for safe keeping for the future. AAPG offered that we can sell the DVD ourselves, but unsure how much more money that would generate.

Action Item Ralf: Follow up with Sandra to see if we get \$155 when they sell it on our behalf. May make sense for AAPG to continue to send out the DVDs on our behalf, rather than us selling it.

Some people insist on getting hard copy publications. We still have a large stock of many, but some are out of print. Ralf set up an agreement with PrintWest to print these publications for us from the digital copy and they courier it to us. We have prices for some of these out-of-print publications posted on the website now. Costs are pretty prohibitive, but some people are still willing to pay this. Make sure to follow new policy and do prepayments only.

Action Item Ralf: To keep lines open with Print West. We can send a digital version of the publication to Print West and then they can print it and we can mail it out.

- c. Advertise WimWin in next newsletter

They have a yearly meeting to promote Women in the Natural Resources. The meeting will happen on Oct. 3 and will have information in the next newsletter.

- d. Society to sponsor Keg at Open House booth (Ralf)

There will be a table in the Poster Room at the Open House that will sponsor beer. It will be promotional and also we can draw people into the room. This will mean that the Society will have more of a presence rather than just having to logo at the event. A keg will be purchased and now we will have to find some people to volunteer at the booth. We are sponsoring a poster competition for students and sell space to exhibitors and everyone will be happy because to get more people into that room. There will also be more of a face to the Society in Saskatoon. This has already been approved by the Open House committee and passed. No one opposed.

- e. Open House Public Lecture (need ideas asap)

Kate was on a field trip with Emily Bamforth at the Grasslands National Park. Her work is biodiversity across the K-T boundary. Good tie into Saskatchewan geology.

Action Item Everybody: Ask around for ideas for someone we can get into place for the Open House. Names can be passed along to Jason.

- f. Society hard rock core workshop at Lab after Open House (Colin)

Colin provides background. Sean and Colin already offer core logging workshops for industry. The rock core workshop will be held after that Open House and the participants will come to Regina. This will highlight the Core Lab. 20 people is how many people will be allowed into the course. The core workshop will bring in around \$2000 to \$2500. Colin will be chairing the committee. There will be a call to volunteers. There will be a volume put together for the short course. There will be less involved because there will only be one presenter. Then the workshop will become a publication. This has already been approved via email over the summer. A course description has already been written and is being approved. Once we know if we can get the tables and core moving in place we can already post it on our website and start registering for the course. We would like to make money on the course rather than just breaking even. The Saskatchewan Geological Survey is sponsoring the workshop by volunteering Colin and Sean's time and potentially some of the core facility costs. This may not be a time to offer it to students. A follow up version in January may work better for students.

- g. Speaker gifts follow up: ammonites; also re-order Leathermans?; Bernadette

Action Item Bernadette: Check with Tom Love about purchasing more.

- h. Talks at Shriners (Monica, Ralf)

Action Item Monica and Ralf: To find information for the next meeting.

4. Ongoing business

- a. Golf tournament (Monica; Sept 11; status update and PLANNING)

47 currently registered and 1 more team is coming along.

This new venue and pricing and 9 hole was a good change. Monica says that SMA hasn't gotten back to her. 38 people currently registered for the BBQ.

Action Item Ralf: To send out email about \$15 BBQ ticket to members. There is a \$5 rate for children. The deadline for the BBQ can be done quite a bit later. Veggies, buns, spices etc will all come from the Bucher Boy. This will mean less work for the people setting up. For alcohol we will have to estimate how much we will need. A couple more kegs could be bought from Bushwackers and also a box or two of wine should be purchased.

Action Item Colin: Pre-order kegs of beer from Bushwackers

Action Item Colin: To purchase beer etc. the day before the event.

Action Item Monica: Costco purchasing of soft drinks, chips, snacks etc.

Action Item Monica: She will send out email to the golf course and then the tee times can be established and sent out to golfers ASAP.

Payments have been made from some people. There will need to be some way of matching up the payments and who is a member. Michelle and Monica will work together.

Action Item Colin: \$2.50 for the plate and \$0.15/character for the updating.

Action Item Bernadette: To update for several past years after this year's tournament.

- b. APEGs funding approval submitted (Ralf)

The grant application has been submitted and it has been acknowledged for being received.

- c. K-12 Committee application (Kate, Ralf)

Action Item Kate: This application needs to be done by Kate and then finalized (signed by Ralf) to be submitted.

- d. Update on Pull-ups for Society conference booth; layout, content; needs to be ready for Open House (Maria)

Pull-ups will be needed for the Open House. Maria has finished the layout and will have to be approved. We will have to leave a month before the Open House to make sure that we will have them in time.

Action Item Maria: Have we decided on the size? Also to get images and approve ASAP.

- e. Geological Field Trip summary; Ralf

There were 18 members that attended the field trip to Montana. The geology was spectacular, a wide range of topics presented by knowledgeable guides. Stillwater Igneous Complex, Bakken equivalent rocks in outcrop, and "Shonkin Sag."

The trip was very well organized and enjoyed by everyone involved.

- f. Fall talk schedule; Jason, Maria

Sept 24 at 7pm Dr. Francesca Berna

A suggestion that there could once again be a fall time lecture of high profile speakers.

Dr Edwin Say Oct 7 or 14th for talk of ground water and groundwater contamination.

2 more lectures that have not been scheduled.

CPTG lecturer Stu Lecturer but not scheduled

AAPG distinguished lecturer will be coming in early Sept. and then we can select the speaker.

Fission Uranium Corp. geologist to give a talk on the U history of Saskatchewan.

- g. Treasury update; Michelle

Action Item Michelle: A more detailed update will be provided next meeting.

Update from Ralf that the Core Workshop through the Williston Basin Conference earned around \$20,000 and then the costs ran around \$6000. This is as always an excellent money maker and will provide funds for Society business for future years.

h. Membership, results of corporate mail-out; Ryan

Nothing to report. A poor response to the corporate membership. This would be worth sending out early in the new year.

i. Calendar Committee; Ralf

Calendar is now done and we have sold out the sponsorship for each month. It was fully subscribed to and is now under revision. We will be able to print it soon. We will have it available for distribution by Remembrance Day.

j. Kent Club

Student membership is for \$5. They are meeting this Friday for the first time.

Action Item John: To collect a name of students that become members. In previous years we have had a list of names but then the money has not been given to the Society afterwards.

Action Item John: To provide more information regarding the Kent Club Meet and Great. Sept. 18th as a potential day.

k. Ethics Lecture

AAPG has emailed to see if any of our talks are related to ethics.

Kate says that it is part of her work plan to learn more about ethics related to geology. This also has application on a more global scale as a local and practical scale. This also has implications for requirements for communicating knowledge to the general public.

Action Item Kate: To provide a lecture to the membership on geology ethics.

5. Unfinished Business

a. Discuss timing of next School Lecture series (Kate, Michelle)

Timing of the School lecture was decided to be good. We will once again aim to hold this in the spring.

b. Publications inventory, create Excel Spreadsheet; Bernadette

This is topical since Ralf is going to the lab to meet with Fran and Melinda. They will discuss what to do with the Outreach Items as well as Society publications.

Action Item Ralf: To provide information about the meeting and what we will need to do moving forward.

Action Item Bernadette: To create a spreadsheet of all the items available through the Society.

c. App of Geological Highway Map; nothing to report

Nothing new to report as the funding has not been approved. Eric will continue to look for additional ways of receiving funding.

d. Geological Highway Map (SaskTourism; Website, Profiling, Reprinting?)

Action Item Ralf: To see about profiling the highway map.

6. Next meeting: Tuesday, September, 29; Downtown; lunch meeting

7. Adjourn