

Executive Meeting Agenda
Saskatchewan Geological Society
Wednesday, November 3, 2020, 4:30 via Teams

2020 Executive: Teams/In person

Dillon Johnstone, Samantha Van De Kerckhove, Andrew Morley, Dave Thomas, Mike Thomas and Brian Brunskill.

Regrets from..... Taylor Forsythe, and Alex Pollard

Guest: Gavin Jensen, the SGS liaison contact with APEGS.

- **Approval of Agenda**

Yes - approved

- **Approval of Minutes of last Executive Meeting – September 10, 2020**

Brian has read the minutes - no errors or omissions; approved.

- **Review of Actions / Business arising from September 10th meeting.**

- BB informed UofR development office that the SGS will not be supporting an additional scholarship to a UR student, as we currently sponsor the annual Milner Award award for a UofR student.

- **Guest Gavin Jensen - SGS liaison contact with APEGS**

APEGS underwent a Governance Review Project – they plan to reduce council size and are looking to close some non-regulatory committees and focus more on regulating and less promoting. They are hoping society would pick up on the promoting side of things, are wondering if we have the resources. Potentially APEGS would provide monetary but not personnel support for promotion events. Another potential avenue would be monetary support for things like a core workshop. Perhaps APEGS could replace the dependency on PTRC for Williston Basin Conference?

Discussion:

General opinion of SGS executive is that it is always hard to find enough volunteers.

Dave suggests a hard rock symposium of sorts? Could tag it on with Open House?

Could the SGS sponsor another activity as well as the core workshop? Maybe associated with the WB symposium?

Executive Update Reports

- **President**

- All members of the SGS Executive, except Alec Pollard, have agreed to stay in their positions for the 2021 year. Alec is undecided currently.

Still need to have all the membership vote on this.

- Holding the 2020 AGM in February

BB thinks we should do it even if we have to do it digitally – plan for that. Can have votes on Teams. Andrew to look into it, and cancel the venue. Hotel could also do very spaced out meetings. Have to have one by XX date? Gavin suggests not to have it the weekend before family day.

- CIM and SGS posting/promoting each other's web-based talks

The benefit to us would simply be exposing ourselves more to Saskatoon people; Dave suggests we also use this to promote all aspects of the SGS such as swag and field trips.

- **Past-President**

- Providing format and links to membership to virtual field trips.

Mike sent a link via email. Could send this to membership? In the next rock record or in an email? It was agreed that the SGS invite the CIM membership to talks.

- Kupsch and Milner Awards for 2020-21.

Awards will still go, but not the poster awards. Past present taking over responsibilities from Murray – maybe. Murray is still willing to help out a lot.

- **Vice-President**

N/A

- **Secretary**

- Digitizing Special Publications

Done – put links to correct AAPG page for each publication on our site.

Still have swag left.

Have been working with calendar committee, Dillon and OHMedia to get online payments sorted out for calendar sales.

- **Treasurer**

Books are reconciled up to last Wednesday.

- **Business Manager**

Calendar advertising suggestions; Gavin can take some to APEGS office.

Out of Northern GeoScape hard copies. Go to staples? Print from the website? Sam can look into getting about 20-25 printed. Requests from people at the lab.

Compliments about the Teams lunch talks; remind people to mute.

- **Program**

Dave was concerned about low turnout for lunch talks. Second talk had lower turnout than the first. Dave inquired – some senior members don't like the technology; we need to advertise that you don't have to have the app – can just follow the link. Forgot about the notice – Taylor and Sam going to look into calendar link being added to the notification.

Notices go 2 weeks ahead – maybe change to 1 week ahead, and then again the night before or morning of.

Would like to get more soft rock talks.

Lots of other free things online – would be good to promote this stuff through the society. Add to Rock record? Once a month or so.

- **Old business**

- **New business**

- Email Motion October 6, 2020 by Brian Brunskill, seconded by Mike Thomas, that “The SGS approve payment of \$460 to Hilary Roemer for work completed on the GeoExplore Website, supervised by Kate MacLachlin”. Carried.

- **Next meeting**

TBD

- **Adjourn**

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