



Canadian Geotechnical Society
Société canadienne de géotechnique

Committee Report

July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015

Section 1: General

Name of CGS Committee: **Heritage Committee**

Date of report: July 10, 2015

Prepared by: J. Suzanne Powell, and David Cruden

Committee Chair: J. Suzanne Powell, January – June 2015, D. Cruden, June 2015

End of Term of Chair: December 2017

CGS web page address: http://cgs.ca/heritage_committee.php?lang=en

Last time your Committee's CGS web page was updated: September 2014

If the Committee has a separate website...No

...please provide address: N/A

...is there a link to the CGS website?: No

Section 2: Executive members and their employers or, if students, universities

Chairs: David Cruden, University of Alberta, J. Suzanne Powell – Thurber Engineering Ltd.

Past Chairs: Mustapha Zergoun – Thurber Engineering Ltd.

Jim Graham – University of Manitoba

Vice Chair: TBD

Secretary: TBD

Add others (active members)

Fred Matich

Mahidi Taiebat

Jacques Locat- Laval

Suzanne Lacasse- NGI

Heinrich Heinz - Thurber Engineering Ltd.

Angela Küpper – BGC Engineering

Andrea Lougheed - Thurber Engineering Ltd.

Section 3: Number of members

Executive members: Currently 3 with 2 openings to be filled.

Total members: Seven. Five people attended the annual meeting in Regina in 2014 and there are a number of people (10-15) who have expressed interest in being part of the committee over the last year.

We would like to encourage 'Heritage Enthusiasts' in each of the Society's Sections & Divisions

Section 4: Committee is affiliated with which other organizations

National affiliates (e.g. CIM for the Mining Geotechnique Committee) and names of CGS representatives (list)

- Engineering Institute of Canada - The History and Archives Committee

North American affiliates and names of CGS representatives (list)

- none

International affiliates (e.g. ISSMGE TC306 for the Education Committee) and names of CGS representatives (list)

- none

Section 5. Finances (admin Manual App 22, Attach 3)

As of June 30, 2015): No financial assets

Balance: \$ N/A

Year-End Balance (for Annual Report only): \$

Section 6. Activities (on-going)

- Jim Graham continues to promote and update the “Lives Lived” section of the CGS Heritage web page.
- We are working on documents to be added to the CGS Heritage web page in the coming months :
- Fred Matich is in the progress of writing an article on the early work on oil sands development. Following approval from Syncrude, we hope to add this article to the CGS Heritage web page.
- Suzanne Powell is contacting local sections to request articles on their history for future publication and to add to the CGS Heritage web page.
- Dave Cruden announced the recent publication by the Edmonton Geological Society of the book “John Allan: The Founding of Alberta’s Energy Industries” by Willem Langenberg and Dave Cruden. Dave will enquire with the publishers about the possibility of adding some of the images from the book to the CGS Heritage web page.
- Ian Moore is to provide the first edition of the Canadian Geotechnical Journal, which will be added to the CGS Heritage web page.
- Mahdi Taiebat is to enquire about short articles of historical nature on geomechanics and numerical analysis in Canada.
- Jacques Locat is to enquire about photographs and documents regarding the flow slide at St Jean-Vianney, Quebec, in 1971.
- Suzanne Lacasse is to provide links on the CGS web page for Canadian projects that are part of the Norwegian Geotechnical Institute digital database.

Section 7. Additional information or comments

As incoming chair, Dave Cruden would like to reconnect with those people who have previously expressed interest in the Heritage Committee to renew their interest and follow up on the status of previously assigned activities.

We plan to increase communication among members prior to meeting in Quebec City in September 2015.