



Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the CGS Professional Practice Committee

Attendees: Suzanne Powell (SP), Kent Bannister (KB), Yves Cormier (YC), Pierre Boulanger (PB), Paul Dittrich (PD), Olaide Ojomo (OO), Andre Bom (AB), Angela Kupper (AK)

1. Welcome

SP welcomed the attendees and gave brief introduction.

2. Election of officers

Search for Vice Chair is underway. The intent is to have the vice chair in place and to take over the chair position when SP's term ends.

Election of a secretary not required at this time.

3. Review of activities for fiscal year 2014-2015

- GeoQuebec sessions – initial feedback
 - First session poorly attended (less than 12 people). People appeared to be unaware of session. Sessions not clearly identified in GeoQuebec program booklet, a lot of confusion surrounding when and what the sessions were. SP to have GeoQuebec committee make special announcement on Wed am following plenary session to attract more people.
- New EOR guidelines for dams
 - SP updated group on currently status of discussions. APEGBC has confirmed the CGS (PPC) will receive a draft of the guidelines for review. No timeline has been given for receipt of this draft. No further action pending at this time.

4. Proposed activities for fiscal year 2015-2016

- Committee name change
 - Discussion focused around the current mandate of PPC. SP read mandate as stated on the CGS webpage. The current mandate was set by previous executive but this is something the committee has struggled with in the past. A number of attendees expressed interest in revisiting this mandate and proposed having the membership weigh into this discussion through a survey. Once a clear mandate has been established, a possible name change may be considered. A survey was done approximately 5 years ago. SP to get results of this survey from YC and/or KB and look at development of a new survey for the CGS membership to complete and assist with updating the current committee mandate.
- GeoVancouver
 - GeoVancouver has already organized session(s) for Mount Polley Mine Tailings Dam Breach. PPC might be able to assist with this in some capacity.



- Session on case studies (projects gone wild) are always useful and popular.
- Neil Abbot (Gowlings) is a possibility for a session as he was unable to make GeoQuebec.
- SP to discuss format and scheduling with GeoVancouver committee in the coming months and will keep the committee updated as information becomes available.
- Website - current and future use
 - Website currently provides links to past presentations. Possible new additions include:
 - Links to other professional bodies such as the Geo-Institute, ACEC, GBA (Formerly ASFE) etc.
 - Links to resources such as online case studies with other organizations that that CGS could benefit from and may not be aware of.
- Membership expansion
 - New membership is always welcome. It would be nice to have representation from each province and or territory on the committee.

5. Next Meeting

- The next annual meeting of the Professional Practice Committee will be at GeoVancouver in October of 2016.

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