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## **2026 Nominees for Council**

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APEGS recognizes that effective service on Council requires a diverse range of competencies and perspectives.

Based on the overall Council competency matrix, APEGS sought expressions of interest from individuals who met the eligibility requirements set out in section (12) of the Administrative Bylaws, with particular consideration given to:

- Regulator Experience
- Board Governance Experience, and
- Leadership

## Nicholas Kaminski, *P.Eng.*



Nicholas Kaminski is acclaimed for the position of President of APEGS. He brings extensive experience in governance, regulation, and professional practice, positioning him well to serve in this role. Nicholas brings a pragmatic and collegial approach to decision-making, with a strong focus on collaboration and consensus-building, qualities that will serve APEGS well during his term as President.

Nicholas has served APEGS in a wide range of operational, governance, and regulatory capacities, including roles on the Executive Committee, the Governance Change Project Steering Committee, the Registrar's Advisory Committee, the Audit and Risk Management Committee, and the Act & Bylaw Review Task Group.

Nicholas currently serves as Board Director with the Montessori School of Regina and KGS Group. His previous governance experience includes serving as a Senator at the University of Saskatchewan, a Board Trustee with the Saskatoon Public Library, and holding various roles with ACEC-SK and the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering (CSCE).

As a member of the Saskatchewan leadership team at KGS Group, a multi-disciplinary engineering firm, Nicholas has gained significant experience in business leadership, strategic oversight, and human resource management. His board experience includes overseeing organizational strategy, reviewing financial statements, addressing executive compensation matters, leading large-scale organizational change, and managing complex governance and operational issues.

Nicholas holds several governance credentials, including the Chartered Director (C.Dir.) designation, and is currently an ICD.D candidate with the Institute of Corporate Directors. His commitment to professional excellence has been recognized through numerous provincial and national honours, including awards from ACEC-SK, ACEC-Canada, APEGS, and Construction Canada. He was also named a Top 10 Under 40 by Canadian Consulting Engineer.

Nicholas is honored to serve as President of APEGS and is committed to leveraging his professional, governance, and leadership experience to support Council.

## **Danae Lemieux, P.Eng., FEC**

Danae Lemieux is acclaimed for the position of President-Elect. A governance leader committed to strengthening the engineering and geoscience profession in Saskatchewan; Danae was born and raised in Regina. She holds a BAsC and MASc in Environmental Engineering from the University of Regina. Her career spans geotechnical, materials, mining, transportation, and traffic engineering, with experience in consulting, municipal government, and executive leadership.

She currently serves as a Senior Environmental Engineer, Project Manager, and Operations Manager with NewFields Canada, advancing project delivery and operations to ensure clients receive practical, science-based solutions supported by transparent communication and teamwork-based solutions.

Within APEGS, Danae has contributed to key governance and regulatory functions as a Councillor, including service as Chair of the Financial Audit and Risk Management Committee, and as Liaison Councillor to the Licensing Admissions Committee, Academic Review Committee, and Equity and Diversity Committee. She previously chaired the Communications and Public Relations Committee.

Danae also serves as an elected Senator at the University of Regina and as a Board Member for the Regina Public Library. She was recently named a finalist for YWCA Regina's Breaking Barriers Award, recognizing her leadership and commitment to equity and inclusion.

She is a proud mother of two sons, Briggs and Wales, and enjoys strength training, travel, and cheering on her boys in their activities.



### **Rachel Dowling, P.Eng.**



Rachel Dowling is currently the Executive Director of Construction Services at SaskEnergy. She graduated from the University of Guelph in 2006 with an Honours Degree in Biological Engineering. Rachel spent the first 10 years of her career in Toronto and Calgary working as an Instrumentation & Controls Engineer and Project Manager. In the course of her consulting career, she served major petrochemical, mining and oil and gas clients in North & South America, Africa and the Middle East. In 2016, she moved to Regina where she joined SaskEnergy and has lived and worked since.

In 2017, Rachel began volunteering with APEGS as a member of the Licensee Admissions Committee where she progressed to Vice Chair and served her final term as Chair concluding in December 2025. She has also participated in the Regulatory Board, Registrars Advisory Committee and various subcommittees. She is passionate about progressing the profession and ensuring that the foundation of APEGS governance remains strong now and into the future.

Rachel lives in Regina with her husband, Chris, and her step-daughter Ava. She loves to golf and travel in her spare time.

### **Kevin Ness, P.Eng., FEC**

Kevin Ness is an Associate Vice President and the Saskatchewan Senior Project Director at AECOM Canada, bringing more than 30 years of diverse experience in the engineering profession. Throughout his career, Kevin has demonstrated a steadfast commitment to upholding the highest standards of engineering and geoscience practice, with professional experience spanning across Saskatchewan, Alberta, the Northwest Territories, and Ontario.

Kevin's professional journey spans roles including process design engineer, project manager, lead verifier, Quality Management System auditor, mentor, business development manager, office manager, and operations manager. This broad experience has equipped him with a comprehensive understanding of both the technical and regulatory aspects of engineering and geoscience, as well as the challenges and opportunities facing these professions in Saskatchewan today.



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A dedicated volunteer with APEGS since 2012, Kevin has served in numerous roles, including Member, Chair, and Reviewer of the Experience Review Committee; member of the Professional Development Compliance Committee; member of the Regulatory Board; Chair of the Professional Development Committee; and Councillor for three years. His regulatory experience is further complemented by his service as Co-Chair of the NAPEG Public Relations Committee in Yellowknife.

Through his leadership roles at AECOM and his extensive volunteer work, Kevin has developed strong expertise in governance, regulatory compliance, strategic planning, and change management. He is passionate about fostering professional excellence, supporting the next generation of engineers and geoscientists and fostering public safety and trust in the professions.

Kevin's broad perspective, gained from working in multiple jurisdictions and regulatory environments, positions him to effectively contribute to the APEGS Council's mandate to regulate the practice of engineering and geoscience in Saskatchewan and uphold the integrity of the professions.

Outside of his professional commitments, Kevin enjoys spending time with his family and exploring the Saskatchewan outdoors through biking and dog walking.

### **Jeremy Gabel**, *P.Eng., FEC*



Jeremy Gabel is a resident of Regina, Saskatchewan and a Professional Engineer with over 21 years of experience in the technology sector. Throughout his career, he has demonstrated strong leadership, strategic vision, and the ability to deliver high-quality network solutions both within Canada and internationally. He is enthusiastic about sharing his knowledge and experience with Council and helping advance the strategic objectives of APEGS.

Jeremy is a dedicated volunteer to his profession, with over 10 years of service to APEGS through his work on the Experience Review Committee and the Licensee Admissions Committee.

As APEGS moves forward with Business Transformation and Modernization initiatives, Jeremy views this as an exciting opportunity to join Council and contribute to guiding the implementation of these changes. He is committed to ensuring that APEGS continues to regulate the profession effectively and protect the public. Jeremy believes that his background in technology and corporate governance will support Council in achieving these improvements.

His passion lies in applying technology to enhance the quality of life for the citizens of Saskatchewan.

## Jason Gasmó, *P.Eng.*

Jason Gasmó has over 30 years of experience in the engineering field. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Saskatchewan and a Master of Engineering degree from Nanyang Technological University. Jason has also co-authored several technical publications focused on slope stability. He is a past Chair of the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies, Saskatchewan (ACEC-SK) and is currently serving his third year on Council with APEGS.

As Vice President of Engineering Operations at Clifton Engineering Group Inc., Jason is responsible for strategy, business development, employee care and support, problem resolution, and maintaining client relationships. In addition to his executive responsibilities, he continues to practice as a project manager, senior geotechnical engineer, and specialist in geotechnical instrumentation and data acquisition. He takes pride in managing large-scale projects to see that tasks are completed on schedule, within budget and to the client's satisfaction.

Jason's recent experience includes serving as project manager and civil design lead for a large-scale irrigation project in Western Canada, as well as project manager and geotechnical engineer of record for the Regina Bypass project. An ardent problem solver, he is passionate about being part of a team that provides solutions to clients. He enjoys the process of investigation, instrumentation, data collection, solution design and delivery.

Beyond his professional work, Jason is an active community volunteer and a dedicated member of Canadian Progress Club – Regina Centre, a community-building association founded by local businesspeople. He currently serves as Chair of the RoomWrap Committee, which supports the pediatric ward at the Regina General Hospital by transforming hospital rooms with colourful vinyl wraps to brighten children's stays.

Jason lives in Regina with his wife and children and enjoys spending quality time outdoors with his family, including biking, travelling to airshows, and camping.



### **Deliang Han, P.Geo.**



Deliang Han has been a registered professional geoscientist with APEGS since 2012, holding advanced degrees in geology and geomatics. He brings extensive expertise in project coordination and management, mineral resource exploration, geological data analysis and modeling, and technical consulting.

Based in Saskatoon, Deliang has over two decades of experience in mining and mineral exploration, having completed numerous mineral resource projects in Saskatchewan, across Canada, and internationally. He earned his PhD in marine geology from the Chinese Academy of Sciences, and an MSc in geology with a focus on geomatics from the University of Regina. His career progression includes positions with the gold producer and early stage to brown filed potash exploration in Saskatchewan, advancing from resource geologist through to project lead and senior consulting roles.

Deliang has been actively involved with APEGS for more than twelve years, supporting international graduates and young professionals. He served on the Equity & Diversity Committee (2015–2018, 2018–2021), acted as Vice-Chair of the International Graduate Subcommittee (2018–2021), and contributed to the Licensee Admission Committee (2024–2026). Committed to delivering effective business solutions, Dr. Han upholds the values of integrity, professionalism, and ethical responsibility to protect the public within the mining and exploration sector.

Deliang is passionate about utilizing his experience and dedication to promote equity and accountability, uphold the highest standards of excellence, and ensure the ongoing integrity and advancement of the profession.

### **Blessing Mangodo**, *Engineer-in-Training*

Blessing Mangodo is an Industrial Engineer and Supply Chain Management Professional (SCMP) with over two decades of progressive experience in project management, industrial engineering, and operations leadership. He holds a Bachelor of Engineering (B.Eng.) in Industrial Engineering and a Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Engineering Management from the University of Benin, Nigeria.

Blessing currently serves as an Industrial Engineering Technologist at Federated Cooperatives Limited (FCL), where he leverages his expertise to optimize operational performance, improve process efficiency, and strengthen supply chain outcomes. His work focuses on driving continuous improvement initiatives and delivering data-informed solutions that enhance productivity and organizational effectiveness.

In addition to his technical career, Blessing is the President of the Saskatoon Engineering Society (SES). In this capacity, he provides strategic leadership and governance for professional development initiatives and member-focused programs. His responsibilities include organizational planning, financial oversight, and ensuring compliance with APEGS funding requirements. He also leads SES committees in the successful delivery of high-quality technical seminars, networking events, and community-building activities.

Blessing is deeply committed to advancing organizational excellence, fostering collaboration within the engineering community, and championing initiatives that promote the growth and visibility of the engineering profession in Saskatchewan and beyond.



### **Olakunle Ogunjimi, P.Geol.**



Olakunle Ogunjimi's experience spans the mining, energy, and mineral exploration sectors in Africa, Europe, and North America. He currently works as a Geologist with Orano Canada, where he collaborates within multidisciplinary teams and applies technical expertise to support responsible resource development. His professional background is complemented by experience in strategic planning and senior management advisory roles.

Olakunle holds a Master of Science degree from Delft University of Technology, along with business and senior management qualifications. During his academic career, he volunteered with the AAPG student association, where he supported planning activities, coordinated events, fostered collaboration, and facilitated networking opportunities, demonstrating leadership, integrity, and accountability.

He currently serves as a member of the APEGS Public Accountability Advisory Group, contributing to transparency, fairness, and accountability in regulatory decision-making. Through this role, Olakunle has gained valuable insight into inclusive governance practices and meaningful member and public engagement.

Olakunle is deeply committed to advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion within the engineering and geoscience professions. He believes that diverse perspectives strengthen professional practice and decision-making and is motivated to advocate for equitable policies, amplify underrepresented voices, and support a professional community that reflects the diversity of its membership.

In addition to his professional and regulatory involvement, Olakunle actively mentors newcomers in Saskatchewan, providing guidance on career development, professional licensing, and workforce integration to help them build confidence and strong professional networks. He also serves as a board member on the Aspen Ridge Community Association in Saskatoon, where he contributes to governance oversight, policy review, and volunteer leadership.

Olakunle is passionate about contributing strategic thinking, governance experience, and a strong commitment to excellence and inclusion in support of APEGS' mandate to protect the public.

### **Olagoke Rufai, P.Eng.**

Olagoke Michael Rufai, is a committed, forward-looking engineering professional, driven by a passion for strengthening the profession and serving the public with integrity. He brings a proven record of practical governance experience, sound judgement and a balanced perspective shaped by both regulatory involvement and industry leadership.

Olagoke possesses a strong desire to give back to the profession that has shaped his journey. He believes this is a pivotal and exciting time for engineering, as technological advancements and evolving societal expectations reshape our landscape. He is motivated to help the association continue to build public trust, support members, and embrace diversity. Olagoke stands ready to contribute steady leadership and collaborative energy to Council as APEGS continues to grow and evolve.

As President of the Regina Engineering Society and a former Board Member with ACEC-SK, where he chaired the Future Leaders Group, Olagoke has championed mentorship, professional development, and advocacy for the consulting engineering sector. He has engaged with policymakers to represent the interests of consulting engineers and has helped establish programs that connect emerging professionals with experienced industry leaders. His contributions to APEGS committees, including the Environment & Sustainability Committee and the Public Accountability Advisory Group, demonstrate his commitment to responsible self-regulation, transparency, and inclusive, well-informed decision-making.

In his professional role as a Project Manager at AECOM, Olagoke leads multidisciplinary teams on complex infrastructure projects. He is recognized for his strategic mindset, balanced decision-making, and ability to bring diverse stakeholders together to achieve shared objectives.

Whether managing risk, overseeing budgets, or navigating complex challenges, he leads with clarity, accountability, and fairness.





## Sukhwinder Singh, *P.Eng.*

Sukhwinder Singh is a Senior Engineer with SaskEnergy and has over a decade of engineering experience across both the public and private sectors in Saskatchewan. His professional background includes previous roles with SaskPower's Poplar River Power Plant and EVRAZ North America, where he developed a well-rounded understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing engineers in diverse operating environments.

He holds a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from Visvesvaraya Technological University and a postgraduate diploma in Project Management from Humber College. He is also a recipient of the Prime Minister's Scholarship, a recognition that helped shape his early commitment to professional excellence and service.

Sukhwinder's involvement with APEGS began in 2016 and has been a central part of his professional journey. His volunteer contributions include participation in K-12 outreach, serving as Secretary and Vice-Chair of the Environment & Sustainability Committee from 2021 to 2023, and currently volunteering with the Licensee Admissions Committee. In addition, he serves on the Project Management Advisory Council at Saskatchewan Polytechnic. In 2024, he launched a YouTube channel focused on mentoring and educating aspiring engineers.

Through more than seven years of volunteer service, Sukhwinder has developed a strong appreciation for the role APEGS plays in protecting the public, supporting members, and shaping the future of the profession. He is committed to fostering an inclusive, transparent, and forward-looking engineering community that supports members at every stage of their careers and inspires the next generation of engineers.

Sukhwinder intends to continue contributing to the governance, growth, and long-term success of the engineering profession in Saskatchewan. He is committed to strengthening public trust, supporting members, and inspiring the next generation of engineers.

### **Edinam Tettevi**, *Engineer-in-Training*

Edinam Tettevi is a strategic executive and governance professional who specializes in bridging the gap between technical engineering depth and senior-level oversight. Currently serving as the Chief Risk & Compliance Officer and Corporate Secretary at Sandbox Mutual Insurance in Saskatchewan, Edinam brings extensive experience in providing fiduciary oversight within highly regulated environments.

Edinam's commitment to the engineering profession in Saskatchewan is demonstrated through his current service as a member of the APEGS Finance, Audit, and Risk Management Committee. In this role, he provides strategic guidance on the organization's financial health and ensures fiscal accountability through the rigorous review of annual budgets and financial statements. His background as Corporate Secretary further equips him with a deep proficiency in board stewardship, policy development, and efficient decision-making processes.

With a rigorous academic foundation, Edinam holds a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering and a Bachelor of General Science in Computer Science & Mathematics from the University of Manitoba. This technical background provides a unique perspective on the intersection of innovation and regulation. He also holds an MBA in Business Management, Entrepreneurship, and Finance and an M.Sc. in Information Security and Digital Forensics, making him a versatile asset for a Council focused on the evolving professional standards of the digital age.

Throughout his career, Edinam has consistently applied engineering principles to solve complex challenges, from developing robotics curricula to leading AI governance and safety initiatives. As a dedicated member of the engineering community, he is committed to ensuring APEGS leads with transparency and integrity.

Edinam is eager to leverage his expertise to support progressive regulation that unites the needs of the public with the practice of its members for the betterment of society.





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