

## NOTES FROM APEGS COUNCIL

The APEGS Council met February 6 and 7, 2020 in Saskatoon. The meeting was attended by 15 of 19 councillors and the directors to Engineers Canada and Geoscientists Canada. Three additional councillors joined the meeting via teleconference during the voting on proposed bylaw changes. Council will meet on April 7-8, 2020 in Regina.

### **Council received the following presentations and information items:**

- Activity updates from the constituent society liaisons, the ACEC-SK liaison, and the 30by30 Champion's Group liaison.
- The Executive Director presented the preliminary continuing professional development reporting compliance statistics. Approximately 80% of the membership reported their 2019 CPD activities, and approximately 50% of those were compliant with the requirements of the program.
- The Manager of Communications updated council on the geoscience ad campaign.
- The Director of Special Projects presented council with a business case to engage a change management consultant to assist with the evaluation and implementation of those recommendations resulting from the governance review and approval by Council.
- The Director of Special Projects briefed council on the progress with the implementation of the member database.
- The APEGS Director to Engineers Canada reported on the activities of the national organization.
- The APEGS Director to Geoscientists Canada provided a written report and verbal update on the activities of the national organization.
- The Director of Registration reported on the Pacific North West Economic Region winter meetings.

### **Council passed motions as follows:**

- Approving the geoscience ad concepts and radio script.
- Approving the business case and associated budget for a change management consultant.
- Creating a Nominating Criteria Task Group made up of Past Presidents: Peter Jackson, P.Eng., FEC, FGC (Hon.), FCSSE, Dwayne Gelowitz, P.Eng., FEC, FGC (Hon.), Margaret Kuzyk, P.Eng., FEC, FGC (Hon.) and Steve Halabura, P.Eng., FGC, FEC (Hon.)
- Revising the terms of reference for the Audit Committee to include one Public Appointees as a member.
- Revising policy PD2.0 PD Days Pricing and Cancellation Policy to include an administration fee to be charged for cancellations.
- Approving the new design for the Student Gold Medals and lapel pins.
- Approving a one-year extension to two members-in-training who had reached the seven-year maximum.
- Approving the reassessment of an application from an international engineering graduate.
- Approving waiver of the reinstatement fee for a member for the 2019 membership year.
- Approving changes to the online competency-based assessment system and business process to accommodate the Canadian environment equivalencies.
- Adopting the geoscience competency-based assessment framework, including the assessment rubric, geoscience competencies and workplace examples.
- Approving amendment to the Competency Assessment Guide for Applicants, Validators and Assessors.
- Approving amendments to Appendix 4 of the Regulatory Bylaws (Geoscience Work Experience).
- Accepting the high level competency-bases assessment project plan for licensee applicants.
- Approving changes to policy CPD5.0\_CPD Variation Policy to implement a deadline of September 30 for the submission of variation requests for the reporting period.

- Approving the addition of Regulatory Bylaw 30 – Online Register
- Granting staff the discretion to waive late fees in the circumstances where members ability to pay was impacted by the coronavirus.
- Approving Life Membership for 65 members.

**Council noted and received the following reports:**

- Registrar’s reports for November and December 2019.
- The unaudited financial statements for October (revised), November and December 2019.
- Executive Committee minutes, board minutes and the reports from the committees and task groups, and abridged Investigation Committee minutes.