

Notes from APEGS Council

he APEGS Council met November 30 and December 1, 2017 in Regina. 17 of 19 Councillors were present. Council will meet next on February 1 and 2, 2018 in Saskatoon.

Council received the following presentations and information items:

- Activity updates were provided from the constituent society liaisons, the ACEC-SK liaison, the Sponsorship Task Group liaison, the 30 by 30 Task Group liaison.
- The APEGS Directors to Engineers Canada and Geoscientists Canada reported on activities at the national organizations.
- The Executive Director and Registrar led Council
 through a presentation on the APEGS registration
 process, requirements and historical application
 statistics. The presentation provided a backdrop for the
 significant registration related policy changes that
 Council will need to consider.
- The APEGS Director of Registration reported on the Continuing Professional Development Implementation Plan Progress Report and the "conceptual" bylaw changes that have been forwarded to a legislative drafter for review and finalization. The official bylaw revisions will be coming to Council for approval at the February 2018 meeting.
- The APEGS Communications Manager reported on the development of a strategic communications plan. The plan is currently still in the discovery stage and staff are reviewing the alignment of external vs internal communications. A working group of staff are discussing potential needs/uses for social media. APEGS has registered on a variety of social media platforms to reserve names.
- The Executive Director and Registrar reported that three new administrative assistants have been added to staff to backfill for resignations/promotions and to assist with current workloads related to international applicant volumes. Council was informed of some realignment of staff responsibilities.

Council passed motions as follows:

 Approving the proposed Continuing Professional Development Program Document.

- Approving a move to the proposed competency based assessment system and that APEGS adopt the Engineers & Geoscientists BC online competency-based assessment system.
- Endorsing the conceptual changes to Regulatory Bylaw Appendix 3 (Components of Acceptable Engineering Work Experience).
- Adopting the Competency Assessment Guide for Applicants, Validators and Assessors and the Competency-Based Assessment Value Analysis for APEGS.
- Requiring at least one regulatory agency be named in the Significance of Regulatory Agencies section in any one of the engineering or geoscience experience reports, and that it is acceptable for APEGS to be the one named.
- That Ggeoscientists-In-Training may submit an NCEES
 Record in order to assess geoscience work experience.
- Approving changes to the Academic Review policy documents AR1.0 General, AR3.0 Engineering, and AR4.0 Geoscientists.
- Life Membership for the following members:
 Gill, Gurdev (Dave), P.Eng.
 Ketchen, Klinton D., P.Eng.
- Providing sponsorship in the amount of \$10,000 for the Geoscience for Society project.
- Appointing Stormy Holmes, P.Eng., FEC as Chair and Andrew Lockwood, P.Eng., FEC, Tara Zrymiak, P.Eng., FEC, Tami Wall, P.Eng. and Anastassia Manuilova, P.Eng. as members of the Audit Committee.
- Approving changes to the Nominating Committee terms of reference.

Council noted and received the following reports:

- Registrar's reports for September and October 2017.
- The report on compliance activities for September to November 2017 and the 2016 Continuing Professional Development reporting statistics.
- The unaudited financial statements for October 2017.
- Executive Committee minutes, 30 by 30 Task Group minutes, Sponsorship Task Group minutes, board minutes, and reports from the committees.