

APEGM MANITOBA (WESTMAN) EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Meeting: #205
Date: Wednesday, 22 February 2017, noon
Location: "Browns Social House", 18th Street, Brandon

Attendance:	Kyle Cumming	(VBJ Developments)	Treasurer
	David Ford	(Brandon University, ret.)	Secretary
	Ashish Banerji	(Koch Industries)	
	Ryan Johnston	(Burns Maendel)	
	Brad Newton:	(VBJ Developments)	

Absent:	Rajat Ashwarya	(Koch Industries)	
	Katherine Buhler	(Pfizer)	
	Mike Maendel	(Burns Maendel)	
	Scott Whaley	(Manitoba Hydro)	President
	Cory Vitt	(Manitoba Water Services Board)	

1. **Call to Order** with Kyle Cumming, Treasurer, assuming the Chair. [12h13]
2. **Minutes of Chapter Meeting #204 (Wednesday, 18 January 2017)**
 - **MOTION (Ryan/Ashish):** That the minutes of the APEGM Westman Executive meeting #204 of 18 January 2017 be accepted as circulated. CARRIED
3. **Treasurer's Report - Kyle**
 - a) Account balance (as of 01 January 2017) was approximately \$7,135.34.
 - b) Invoices were sent to City of Brandon (4), Behlen (6), and VBJ Developments (3) for the PD presentation on 18 November 2016.
4. **Professional Activities**
 - a) APEGM PD Presentation - Friday, 17 February 2017, noon [12h15]
 - Date: Friday, 17 February 2017
 - Presenter: Erika Collet, P.Eng. & Peter Johnston, P.Eng.
 - Topic: "Manitoba Flood Forecasting"
 - 46 persons pre-booked for the luncheon, however, 63 (+2 presenters) attended. Only 58 persons were invoiced/paid for the meal/presentation, 2 were guests, therefore 5 'door crashers' took advantage of us.
 - **ACTION:** **Kyle** will sort out the monies from the PD presentation on 17 February 2017 and invoices will be sent to various organisations for their staff that attended.
 - A/C in the VicInn is noisy and distracting; future presentations may require a microphone and possibly a high quality projector unit.

- b) Brandon Career Symposium (06-08 March 2017) [12h21]
<http://career-symposium.ca/>
- Kyle has notified EGM Provincial and requested the spaghetti bridge testing unit.
 - supplies and equipment may be sent with the UofM Engineering group, or by Prairie Express. (Dave's courier service will not be needed this year.)
 - volunteer schedule is nearly complete, still a few openings, still a few 'volunteers' to be contacted/recruited.
- c) Western Manitoba Science Fair (14 March 2017) [12h25]
<http://www.wmsf.com/>
- Kyle has now sent the \$100 cheque for the 2016 EGM Prize to the WMSF Committee.
 - **ACTION:** Kyle will send the approved \$100 cheque for the 2017 EGM Prize.
 - volunteer judges for the 2017 WMSF received their reminder e-mail last week.
- d) APEGM Professional Development Presentation - NEXT [12h28]
- Date: Friday, 24 March 2017, noon
 - Location: Victoria Inn, Brandon, Manitoba
 - Presenter: Ashish Banerji & Rajat Ashwarya, Koch Industries
 - Topic: "Reliability Concepts & Practise"
 Unexpected equipment failures or interruptions to production are no longer acceptable to industries operating in a competitive and regulated environment. Reliability is a relatively new field of engineering that has been rapidly adopted by organizations to deliver predictable and dependable performance for products and manufacturing processes. This presentation covers some of the basic concepts based on which Reliability Engineering practices have been developed.
 - **ACTION:** **Scott** will confirm the presentation date with the Victoria Inn.
- *** Adjourned for lunch [12h33 - 12h50] ***
- e) APEGM Professional Development Presentation - FUTURE [12h50]
- Date: Friday, 29 September 2017, noon
 - Location: Victoria Inn, Brandon, Manitoba
 - Presenter: TBA, e.g., Titan Environmental OR Armtec
 - Topic: "Cable Concrete, liners, etc." (tba)
 - **ACTION:** **Ryan** will contact Titan Environmental
 - **ACTION:** **Brad** will contact Armtec.
- f) APEGM Professional Development Presentation - TENTATIVE
- Date: late-November 2017
 - Presenter: Luc Chaput, Amp Jack Industries
 - Topic: "Improving High Voltage/Capacity Transmission Lines"
 - **ACTION:** **Scott** will contact Amp Jack Industries to confirm the date and solicit an outline of the presentation for our web page.

- g) Professional Liability Insurance Workshop - TENTATIVE
 - Topic: "Are you Feeling Lucky?" (a somewhat cheeky suggestion)
 - Date: mid-January 2018
 - Cost: approximately \$50 (to cover the costs of food & coffee)
 - need >10 attendees to justify the costs, 15-20 would be optimal
- i) Other Topics (for PD Presentations beginning September/October 2017)
 - **ACTION:** **Brad** has contacts from the gas/oil industry surrounding Virden
 - **ACTION:** **Mike** suggested a presentation on "welding inspections" from a company called Canadian Qualify Inspections (CQI).
 - **ACTION:** **Scott** has heard of a U.ofM. prof who has a presentation on management practises.
 - **ACTION:** **Mike** suggested that civil/structural courses are web-based but we might be able to arrange a short (½ - 1 day) workshop.
 - **ACTION:** **Brad** will contact Steven Brown about a "Lean Training" workshop
 - **ACTION:** **Scott** could make a presentation on "street lighting".
 - the Executive will work on a 2017/2018 schedule at our April 2017 meeting

5. Other Topics

- a) CKLQ Room / Brandon Wheat Kings game / Social Mixer
 - Kyle had circulated a quote showing the availability (January & February dates) and cost (\$1,350 for 50 persons) for the CKLQ Room during an upcoming Wheat Kings game.
 - consensus was to charge a nominal price (e.g. \$10) to solidify attendance
 - Chapter would provide nibbles, attendees would purchase their own drinks
 - maybe during the 2017/2018 season
- b) APEGM Annual General Meeting & Ingenium (18-21 October 2017)
 - suggested that Westman Chapter send a representative to this event.
 - workshops appear to be on "fluffy stuff" and not technical topics
- c) APEGM Westman Constitution
 - Cory suggested that we were not operating in accordance with the current version of our organisation's constitution
 - **ACTION:** **Dave** will review the APEGM Westman Constitution and report his findings back to the next Executive meeting.

6. Next APEGM Westman Executive Meeting

- Meeting: #206
- Date: Wednesday, 05 April 2017, noon
- Location: Burns-Maendel, Princess Avenue, Brandon
- **ACTION:** **Ryan** to make the arrangements and send out the electronic notice.

7. Adjournment was at 12h57.

David G. Ford, P.Eng., FEC
Secretary, APEGM Westman