

Illinois Chapter of the American Institute of Professional Geologists (AIPG)
Illinois Chapter Executive Committee and Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes

Date Thursday, August 10, 2000

Time: 5:30 pm

Place: Clayton Environmental Offices – Downers Grove, IL

Roll Call:

Executive Committee Officers

Ron St. John, President – *Present*

Martin Hamper, V.P./President Elect – *Present*

Gerald Kraemer, Secretary - *Present*

Advisory Board

William Green – *Not Present*

Mike McCarrin – *Not Present*

Ronald Dye - *Present*

Alan Curtiss - *Present*

Brian Montgomery – *Not Present*

Rob Stanley – *Present*

Ron St. John and Gerald Kraemer were present in the Clayton Offices. Marty Hamper, Ronald Dye, Alan Curtiss, and Rob Stanley were present via teleconferencing. A quorum of the Executive Committee was present and the meeting commenced.

Meeting Called to Order: 5:30 p.m.

Old Business

Ron St. John said that the previous meeting minutes were forwarded to Shirley Becker (administrator of the IL Chapter web site) to add to the web site.

New Business

The agenda of this meeting was outlined as follows:

- Illinois Pollution Control Board (IPCB) meetings
- AIPG Political Advocacy Workshop
- By-Laws
- Directors & Officers Insurance
- Web Site
- Status of Comment Letter to Mike Bruen (President of the Illinois Board of Professional Regulation for Geologists)
- Decal/Sticker for Illinois Licensed Professional Geologists (PGs)

1.) ICPB Meetings

It was discussed as to whether the IL Chapter should or should not make a formal statement regarding the changes to the TACO regulations (Part 742) in their upcoming hearings. Ron St. John

will be attending the first Chicago meeting. The following motion was made regarding making a formal statement:

Motion: Move to not have the Illinois Chapter make a formal statement at the IPCB hearings regarding the changes to Part 742.

Motion seconded.

Motion approved by a vote of 6 to 0.

2.) AIPG Political Advocacy Workshop

The Executive Committee will try to get IL Chapter members to attend the August 16, 2000 Political Advocacy given by AIPG National. AIPG needs to try to find a legislator to speak for about an hour at the workshop. The IL Chapter Executive Committee will assist in trying to obtain a speaker.

The advocacy training will focus on ways to interact with and lobby the legislators regarding the geologic profession and how to lobby for changes in laws relating to Licensed Professional Geologists.

3.) Chapter By-Laws

Ron St. John finalized the Chapter By-Laws and sent them to the Institute for approval. Bill Siok (AIPG Executive Director) had told Ron that if the By-Laws are acceptable, they would be officially be approved at the annual meeting in November to be held in Milwaukee, WI.

4.) Directors & Officers Insurance

Ron St. John had asked the Institute if they have Directors & Officers Insurance to protect the IL Chapter Executive Committee. The Institute responded saying that they only have insurance for National Officers, however, they are investigating the cost for Section and Chapter Officers.

5.) Web Site

Additional issues regarding the IL Chapter web site were discussed. Some of the ideas formulated were to add key words to the search engine, links to and from other appropriate sites such as AIPG National, a membership page and an alert to members when new data has been added to the site.

6.) Letter to Mike Bruen Regarding PG Sign-Off Issues

A letter was previously sent to Mike Bruen, President of the Illinois Board of Professional Regulation for Geologists regarding what should and should not be the procedure for PG sign-off of

geologic documents. Ron said that he has not heard from Mike to date and that he will phone some of the other Board members.

7.) Decals/Stickers for IL PGs

Ron St. John had said that an organization in the State of Florida has generated decals/stickers for the promotion of Licensed Professional Geologists in the State. The decals/stickers are for display purposes to show that an Illinois Licensed Professional Geologist is employed at their particular place of business on the front door, company vehicle, etc. The overall idea is to promote the IL PGs and get more visibility for the profession.

Consequently, Ron had suggested that the Illinois Chapter pursue this idea for IL PGs. It was decided to see if sponsors (vendors, contractors, etc.) could be obtained to donate funds for this purpose and in return the sponsor(s) would be able to insert some sort of advertisement as sponsors and have a link to their web site from the IL Chapter web site. Marty Hamper volunteered to solicit sponsors and Ron St. John said that he would generate draft decals/stickers. All funds gathered will be placed in the Illinois-Indiana Section Treasury for IL Chapter use. Marty will also handle this part. The funds will be used to print the decals/stickers and for mailing to the IL PGs. Ron St. John will complete a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to get an updated list of Illinois PGs.

In addition, a newsletter will be generated and sent with the decals.

There was no other New Business.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m. CST.

These minutes are officially submitted this day, the 22nd of December, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald M. Kraemer, Secretary

Approved this day, the 24th of January, 2001
(Minutes approved via e-mail)