



Minutes

Mississauga Chapter Board Meeting

Friday, November 18, 2011
Coptic Center, Mississauga, ON
6:30 pm

Board Members Present

Khaled El-Rahi, P. Eng.
Art Kirnichansky, P. Eng.
Jana Havard, P. Eng.
Lisa MacCumber, P.Eng.
Brett Chmiel, P. Eng.
Pappur Shankar, P. Eng.
Wafik El Sunbaty, P. Eng.
Galal Abdelmessih, P. Eng.
George Nimer, EIT
Rishi Kumar, P. Eng.
Katherine Diep, EIT
Mirko Manojlovic, P. Eng.

Regrets:

Amr Kaoud, EIT
Omar Al Shareeda, EIT
Colin Moore, P. Eng.
Phil Maka, P. Eng.

1. Call to Order

Khaled welcomed the Chapter Executive and called the final meeting of the calendar year to order.

2. Agenda

The agenda was reviewed.

Motion: To approve the agenda for the meeting as presented.

Moved by: Rishi Kumar

Seconded by: Mirko Manojlovic

Motion passed.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion: To approve the October meeting minutes as amended.

Moved by: Wafik El Sunbaty

Seconded by: Mirko Manojlovic

Motion passed.

4. Chair's Briefing

Khaled mentioned that Khaled, Art, Lisa, Brett and Wafik attended the Chapter Leader Conference in November. It was noted that the volunteer recognition pin



ceremony could have been executed better and that more volunteers from the Mississauga Chapter should have been acknowledged for five years of service.

5. Education Committee

Amr discussed the Mathletics competition held on November 12. There were approximately 90 students in attendance from Grade 6, 7 and 8 in Peel Region.

6. Environmental Committee

A request for speakers and seminar ideas would be sent out in the winter newsletter. Lisa is aware of a speaker from Golder Associates that could speak on Waste Systems. Lisa would try to see if she would be able to speak.

George said we could potentially set up a Survey Monkey account to assist with a survey for the seminar and he would provide the board with the costs to set up a professional account.

The chapter should also work on trying to have the Minister speak in the late spring since the election was recently held.

7. EIT Committee

The EIT committee is having an event on December 13th or 15th. Manoj from PEO head office would speak. Galal said the budget for the event would be \$450. Brett volunteered to assist.

In 2012, Galal would like to have a committee meeting every 2 months to plan speakers. The estimate is \$1800 for 6 meetings. Art and Khaled said they would need to speak to Manoj and Jeannette from PEO for the budget. Lisa suggested using LinkedIn groups instead of making a separate page on the chapter site.

8. GLP Committee

Wafik attended a dinner with Jason Kenny at the Albany Club on October 27th. It was mentioned that a special visa program would be implemented for relatives. Wafik would also like to invite the Prime Minister for a town hall meeting on Provincial/Federal relations.

9. Mentoring Committee

Rishi received 50 emails for mentors. There is \$500 in the budget for mentoring. Khaled suggested waiting until next year for the additional \$500 requested for the committee. Rishi needs to send a report from the mentoring event to Jana.

10. Treasurers Report

Jana presented the report. The total in the chequing account was \$37546 as of November 17, 2011. There was \$1920 in uncashed cheques.

Motion: To approve the treasurer's report as presented.

Motioned by: Wafik El Sunbaty

Seconded: Art Kirnichansky

Motion passed.

It was decided to hold the Chapter Executive Christmas dinner at the Barber House in December.



11. Communication Committee

Art mentioned that the website is now more reliable and has stopped crashing. Art is using twitter to advertise for the chapter. We have 300 hits on the website. Using Facebook can create "Likes" to automatically send event information. We could also create a Google + page. We have a Picasa account for pictures.

Art has found volunteers for web updates, social media, pictures, articles, and video.

Art would like to hold a webpage event prior to the AGM. He would investigate the cost and inform the board. Lisa suggested holding it at one of the libraries so that internet would be available.

PEO/OSPE relations would be discussed at a referendum discussion in Oakville that would be moderated by Barry Steinberg on November 21, 2011.

The Newsletter would be ready for printing and mail on December 1.

The AGM is scheduled for February 2, 2012 at Credit Valley Golf Course. If there is a closed slate for the election, we do not need to have an individual election. Mirko will chair a nominating committee and find 2 members at large from the chapter.

12. Certificate Ceremony

The certificate ceremony has 37 license recipients attending and 98 people attending overall on November 24 at Credit Valley. Brett found a volunteer (George Kralik) to take pictures at no charge.

13. WIE Committee

Lisa stated that the committee was having a beer event on November 26th that would hold 50 people maximum.

14. Other business

Volunteers – Katherine would have a volunteer appreciation night in January.

Amr stated that a conference call number for meetings would cost approximately \$50 a month. Art would add this to the communication budget for next year.

Amr also requested some additional business cards.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

Moved by: Mirko Manojlovic

Seconded by: Galal Abdelmessih

Motion passed.