



Mississauga Chapter Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 18th, 2013 – 6:30–9:30 pm

Peter's on Eglinton

1035 Eglinton Ave. E., Mississauga

Board Members Present

Art Kirnichansky, P. Eng., Lisa MacCumber, P.Eng., Amr Kaoud, P. Eng., Colin Moore, P. Eng., Pappur Shankar, P. Eng., Jeff Hujan, P. Eng., Phil Maka, P. Eng., Matthew Wong, P. Eng, Katherine Diep, EIT, Jordan DeMello, EIT.

Regrets:

Brett Chmiel, P. Eng., Jana Havard, P. Eng., Rishi Kumar, P. Eng., Khaled El-Rahi, P. Eng., Galal Abdelmessih, P. Eng., Fawad Mehmud, EIT.

1. Call to Order

Art called the meeting to order at 6:44 pm.
Jordan DeMello appointed as recording secretary.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda was reviewed and amended as follows:
Treasurer's report moved to following Other Business.
Other business: Engineers as Managers: Part II (Pappur), AGM (Amr), PEO Elections (Lisa).

Motion to approve the agenda for the meeting as amended

Moved by: Jeff

Seconded by: Jordan

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes of the previous meeting

Minutes reviewed and amended.

Motion to approve the October meeting minutes as amended.

Moved by: Colin

Seconded by: Jeff

Motion passed unanimously.

4. Chair's Report

- National Education Month application submitted for \$700 funding, November 15th deadline; nothing back yet
- Rishi and Jordan receiving business cards (50-100) in progress
- Gifts ordered previously not enough, need to buy more – ordered another 15.
- Summer message for emailing list, as opposed to paper copies, 27 new people (email addresses) registered in database
- PEO Elections
 - o Regional nominating committee; junior councilor is chair
 - o Chair of chapter member automatically de facto committee member
 - o Deadline for nominations is early December
 - o Rob Wilson, Junior Councilor for West Central Region to hold a meeting for people that are interested in joining the committee
 - o Election manuals, documents, further info available on the PEO website
- October 26th, Workplace Relationships and the Reptilian Brain
 - o 65 members attended, 105 registered
- Engineers as Politicians



- o Rain affected attendance to event, 120 registered, 60 attended
 - o Made it to GLP weekly front page
- November 4th, Townhall Transportation
 - o 260 registered, 230 attended (best attended event)
 - o Mayor McCallion attended
 - o 50 questions prepared, only 10 managed to be asked
 - o Front page of the Mississauga News
- November 5th, Dr. Mohinder Grover EIT event
 - o 45 registered, ~30 attended
- November 11th, License Presentation Ceremony
 - o Several special attendees – all gave great feedback
 - o Mike Winters approved of the event, speech was excellent
 - o Photos have been uploaded, Brett to determine how to distribute to attendees
 - o Possibly need to simplify, decrease the number of people in pictures in the future
- November 23rd, CLC
 - o “Engineers as...” Success Story presentation
 - o Desmond Gomes wants to know who is to present story
 - o Wanted to send Jordan, but it is too late to change delegates; Rishi will present instead
- December 9th, Energy Storage Options Event
 - o PEO and OSPE
 - o 46 people registered (paid event)
 - o Error in blurb sent via email saying that women would have first placement – edited and corrected subsequently
- Mathematics
 - o Had great energy, patient parents
 - o Need to give awards more proportionately to students, not the same school winning all the time
 - o Peel Education Communication Board
 - All principals to attend
 - Need to know who to talk to to get the word out
 - Get the event out to school board to make the event bigger

Motion to accept the Chair’s Report as presented.

Moved by: Matthew

Seconded by: Katherine

Motion passed unanimously.

5. Treasurer’s Report

Deferred in part due to absence.

- No. of cheques were written, but bank balance is still optimistic
 - o \$16743.84 in chequing
 - o \$64.21 in PayPal
 - o \$2907.98 in Savings
 - o TOTAL: \$19741.03
- Income of \$3000 sitting in PayPal from Licence Ceremony
- Need to buy gift cards for December 2nd

6. Newsletter Committee Report

- November 15th deadline was missed; desperately need items for the Newsletter
- Need to announce AGM info
- Event organizers to prepare report, Colin and Phil to organize in time for PEO to prepare formatting
- Phil to provide organizers for each event, so as not to duplicate write-ups



- December 1st, should have all content for the Newsletter

7. Communications Committee Report

- Chapter website renewed - \$120
- Ismail learning how to work on website
- Neighbouring chapters have wanted us to do an email blast for them
 - Matthew did a lot of work sending out email blasts on behalf of other chapters, they will be doing the same for us

8. Award & Nomination Committee Report

- Desire to award Mississauga Engineers
- Focusing on exceptional engineering work; need to find an appropriate nomination committee, criteria, etc
 - Build on OPEGA's layout, frame out, and revisit in future

9. License Presentation Ceremony Committee Report

- Deferred in part due to absence
- Brett/Juwairia did an excellent job
- Juwairia Obaid, EIT was instrumental in the success
- Engineering pins still need to be circulated
 - Pappur to work with Brett to distribute

10. WIE Committee Report

- October 29th event was successful, although only all the attendance was male
- January event in the planning stages, no definite date set
 - Nancy Hill to talk about patents, law, etc.

11. Education Committee Report

- 130 attendees at Mathletics
- Issues with the software, differentiating between students and the clicker numbers
 - Issue ultimately resolved, but prolonged event significantly
- Still need to plan for BBC, Mathletics in spring
- Possibility of having one big Mathletics event
 - Early May, 200-300 students, and then have no November event the following year

12. Environment Committee Report

- Vladimir Gagachev, Fluoride in Drinking Water talk
 - Wants to organize presentation with PEO Mississauga
 - Speaking event in late January
- Planning for water plant tours in Spring 2014
 - Concerns about restrictions, permissions, but hope to be resolved soon
- Hanlan Water Plant coming soon (December 4th)
 - Cutoff is 75, let Matt know if there is a larger room available so we don't need to turn people away
 - Gifts, projector required still

13. EIT Committee Report

- Deferred due to absence
- Dr. Mohinder Grover Talk was a successful event

14. GLP Committee Report

- Deferred due to absence



- Engineers as Politicians was successful

15. Licence Assistance Program (LAP) Report

- Mentoring Program renamed to Licence Assistance Program
- 25 pairs of mentors/mentees, 12 of these pairs are actively meeting more than once a month
- Contacted 20 mentors/mentees to determine needs
- 18 EITs coached by Rishi alone to become part of the program
- More than 10 face-to-face sessions, and the remaining 10 via phone

16. Other Business

- Engineers as Managers: Part II organizing committee looking for volunteers, had another meeting
 - o Looking to define what is expected from managing engineers from perspective of consultants, owners
 - o Consultants/Owners/Individuals to be placed as separate tracks
 - o Need money (\$4000) from board to facilitate; anticipated for March 2014
 - o Find sponsors, then try to vote come January

Motion tabled until January's meeting

- AGM 2014 scheduled for February 10th, 2014 at Credit Valley Golf Club
- Annette Bergeron is guest speaker, maybe Nancy Hill?
- 2013 AGM Minutes are required, as well as presentation from last AGM
- Budget was underestimated; need \$250 more

Motion to approve an additional \$250, on top of the previously budgeted amount, to facilitate the 2014 AGM

Motioned by: Amr

Seconded by: Lisa

Motion passes unanimously.

- Issue with PEO election; members campaigning ahead of time, handing out cards at events
 - o Lisa asked to file complaint with CRO

17. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn moved by Jeff. Meeting adjourned at 9:38 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for January 15th.