

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of Engineers Geoscientists Manitoba held on Thursday, January 17, 2019 in the Association premises at 870 Pembina Hwy, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3M 2M7.

PRESENT: Ruth Eden, presiding; Vaibhav Banthia; Doug Bell; Jonathan Epp; Carolyn Geddert; John Guenther; Neil Klassen; Florence Lee; Andrew MacSkimming; Jitendra Paliwal; Ian Smallwood;

ALSO PRESENT: Grant Koropatnick; Fiona Hillier; Mohamed Matar

REGRETS: Jason Mann; Efrem Teklemariam

OBSERVERS: Mike Gregoire; Angela Moore; Sharon Sankar; Scott Sarna; David Grant

19.01.1 CALL TO ORDER

President Eden called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

19.01.2 TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

President Eden read the statement acknowledging the traditional lands on which Engineers Geoscientists Manitoba sits and to recognize Engineers Geoscientists Manitoba's commitment to Indigenous peoples and communities.

19.01.3 INTRODUCTIONS

President Eden welcomed everyone to the first meeting of 2019 and introduced Dr. Mohamed Matar, Chair of the Arab Members Chapter and the Ownership Linkage presenter.

19.01.4 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

President Eden asked if there were any additions or changes to the agenda.

It was requested that the order of G4 and G5 be switched and that G6 be moved In Camera.

President Eden asked if there were any further changes to the agenda. Hearing none, the agenda was approved as amended.

19.01.5 CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

President Eden asked Council if anyone had a conflict of interest. Hearing none, Council was reminded that a conflict of interest could be declared at any time, for any item, on the agenda.

19.01.6

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING December 6, 2018

President Eden asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the meeting of December 6, 2018.

Hearing none, the minutes were adopted as circulated

OWNERSHIP LINKAGE

19.01.7

**O1. OWNERSHIP LINKAGE PRESENTATION; Dr. Mohamed Matar, P.Eng.,
Chair of The Arab Members Chapter**

At 12:35 p.m. President Eden introduced Mohamed Matar.

Mohamed thanked Council for the invitation to present on the Arab Members Chapter. He provided a brief history on the chapter and noted that the chapter was open to lay members, interns, professional members and new comers to Canada. Their objective to promote engineering to the community and the public was practiced through their involvement with both social and professional development events.

Mohamed reviewed the chapter's financial report and noted that through careful savings they were able to provide two bursaries of \$500 each for student members of the chapter. He then went on to highlight plans for 2019 which included a science fair for the chapter member's children.

The floor was opened to questions and comments from Council.

At 12:55 p.m. President Eden thanked Mohamed for his presentation.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

19.01.8

B1. CHAIR'S REPORT - PRESIDENT RUTH EDEN, P.ENG.

President Eden noted the activities and events she attended since the December meeting which included; a meeting with the Investigation Committee, the first Executive Committee of the Council year and the Financial Training session provided to Council on January 11th. President Eden then spoke to the distribution of reports in the 2018-2019 Monitoring Schedule.

19.01.9

B2. ENGINEERS CANADA ANNUAL REPORT

President Eden asked if there were any questions on the report. Hearing none, she acknowledged Council's receipt of the report.

CONSENT AGENDA

19.01.10 Council approved the Consent Agenda items with the adoption of the agenda.

C1. APPLICATIONS APPROVED BY THE REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

Council received a list of applications approved by the Registration Committee between December 1, 2018 and December 31, 2018.

COUNCIL EDUCATION

19.01.11 D1. EVALUATION OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

President Eden remarked that Council was mostly unanimous in their evaluation of the last meeting. More effort would be made to manage time and ensure that everyone had an opportunity to contribute to the discussion.

19.01.12 D2. ENGINEERS GEOSCIENTISTS MANITOBA - A HUMAN ENTERPRISE

President Eden invited Grant Koropatnick to speak to this report.

Grant highlighted the importance of recognizing the human component of the Association especially as it relates to our volunteers.

ENDS

None

GOVERNANCE

19.01.13 G1. AUDIT COMMITTEE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR APPOINTMENTS

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from the Audit Committee dated January 17, 2019. Councillor Lee spoke to the motion and provided background information on the recommendations for chair and vice-chair.

It was MOVED by Florence Lee and SECONDED by Jonathan Epp that Council appoints Ron Stoesz, FCPA, FCMA as Chair of the Audit Committee for 2019.

CARRIED

It was MOVED by Florence Lee and SECONDED by Doug Bell that Council appoints Alastair Fogg, P.Eng., MBA, CPA, CMA as Vice-Chair of the Audit Committee for 2019.

CARRIED

19.01.14 G2. POTENTIAL ACT CHANGES

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated January 17, 2019.

It was MOVED by Jonathan Epp and SECONDED by Vaibhav Banthia that Council acknowledges the draft list of Act change items and advises the CEO to proceed.

Friendly Amendment interjected by Councillor Smallwood: to add “subject to continuing review by the By-law Task Group.” Accepted by the mover and seconder.

Council discussed the timing of the Act change. Member engagement sessions have been scheduled for January 28th and February 15th.

President Eden called the vote on the amended motion.

CARRIED

19.01.15 G3. EL-6 ADDITION TO COVER ACT CHANGES

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Jonathan Epp dated January 17, 2019.

It was MOVED by Jonathan Epp and SECONDED by John Guenther that Council append an additional clause to EL-6 that states:

“7. Request changes to the Act or legislation without the approval of Council.”

CARRIED

19.01.16 G5. 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated January 17, 2019.

It was MOVED by Neil Klassen and SECONDED by Florence Lee that Council approves that the 2019 Annual General Meeting take place at 3:00 p.m. Thursday, October 17 at the RBC Convention Centre in conjunction with the Ingenium Conference.

President Eden called the vote on the motion.

CARRIED

19.01.17

G4. PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR BY-LAW DISCUSSION.

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated January 17, 2019.

It was MOVED by Jonathan Epp and SECONDED by John Guenther that Council approves a special meeting on September 19th, whose purpose will be to discuss by-law proposals.

Council discussed the format of the meeting and noted that approval of the special meeting would need to be done each year.

President Eden called the vote on the motion.

CARRIED

19.01.18

G7. APPOINTED COUNCILLOR STATUS

Council referred to a Decision Background memo from Jonathan Epp dated January 17, 2019. Past President Epp spoke to the motion and provided background on the Appointed Councillor Committee.

It was MOVED by Ian Smallwood and SECONDED by Jonathan Epp that Council resolves to excuse Jacqueline Jasinski her three subsequent absences of the Council Meetings of June, September, and December 2018 allowing her to remain on Council.

DEFEATED

19.01.19

G8. REVIEW OF OUTSTANDING ACTION ITEMS LIST

Council considered a memo from Grant Koropatnick dated January 17, 2019 and the cumulative outstanding action list from Council meetings after December 6, 2018.

Council reviewed the list and provided updates.

- 16.01 Appeal Panel – in progress, to be completed soon
- 16.20 Appeal Panel – in progress
- 17.19 Appeal Panel – in progress
- Populate Finance Committee Task Group – completed December 6, 2018
- 18.03 Appeal Panel – in progress, to be completed soon
- By-law Task Group – in progress
- Ownership Linkage Committee – in progress
- Audit of the Electronic Voting System Policy Task Group – in progress

To be added to list: IC/DC Procedures Manual Task Group (18.08.34) – Epp/MacSkimming/Mann/Smallwood

Update on 17.19 Appeal Panel to be discussed in camera

19.01.20 G9. PLANNING AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Council considered a memo from Ruth Eden dated January 17, 2019 and the proposed agenda for the next Council meeting on March 14, 2019.

Monitoring reports will be prepared for:

GP-2	Governing Style	Eden
GP-6	Councillor Role and Job Description	Bell
GP-8	Council Committee Structure	Teklemariam
GP-8.7	Ownership Linkage Committee	MacSkimming
GP-15	Council Linkages with Other Organizations	Guenther
E-2	Practitioners practice with competence and conduct themselves professionally	Koropatnick
EL-3.1	Financial Condition	Koropatnick
EL-6	Application of the Engineering and Geoscientific Professions Act	Koropatnick

To be added to the March 14th meeting: GP-7 Council Committee Principles/Councillor Lee

President Eden moved that the meeting go in camera for the purposes of discussing private and confidential matters about an individual, labour relations, investigations, discipline, appeals, litigation or potential litigation.

At 2:05 p.m. Council went In Camera

At 4:14 p.m. Council came out of Camera

EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS AND ENDS

19.01.26 M1. EL-1 GENERAL EXECUTIVE CONSTRAINT - KOROPATNICK

Review of Monitoring Report by Grant Koropatnick dated January 17, 2019

It was MOVED by Doug Bell and SECONDED by Florence Lee that Council accepts the reasonable interpretation of the policy statements and approves this report.

CARRIED

19.01.27 M2. EL-4 ASSET PROTECTION & RISK MANAGEMENT - KOROPATNICK

Review of Monitoring Report by Grant Koropatnick dated January 17, 2019.

It was MOVED by John Guenther and SECONDED by Jitendra Paliwal that Council accepts the reasonable interpretation of the policy statements and approves this report.

CARRIED

19.01.28 M3. E-4 STAKEHOLDERS UNDERSTAND AND VALUE THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE PROFESSIONS - KOROPATNICK

Review of Monitoring Report by Grant Koropatnick dated January 17, 2019.

It was MOVED by Jonathan Epp and SECONDED by Doug Bell that Council accepts the reasonable interpretation of the policy statements and approves this report.

CARRIED

COUNCIL PERFORMANCE

19.01.29 P1. GP-1 GLOBAL GOVERNANCE COMMITMENT - EDEN

Monitoring Report by President Eden dated January 17, 2019

Hearing no objections, Council approved this report by unanimous consent.

19.01.30 P2. GP-7 COUNCIL COMMITTEE PRINCIPLES

Deferred to March 14, 2019 meeting

19.01.31 P3. GP-8.12 PUBLIC INTEREST REVIEW COMMITTEE - BANTHIA

Monitoring Report by Councillor Banthia dated January 17, 2019

It was noted that no action came from the request of Council that PIRC look into the reopening of Portage and Main.

At 4:26 Councillor Banthia declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting

It was MOVED by Jonathan Epp and SECONDED by Neil Klassen that Council's request to PIRC in the In Camera minutes from September 21, 2017 (17.06.16) be withdrawn.

Carried
Abstained – V. Banthia

At 4:30 Councillor Banthia returned to the meeting.

Hearing no objections, Council approved this report by unanimous consent

19.01.33 P4. GP-13 COUNCIL MEMBER ORIENTATION - GEDDERT
Monitoring Report by Councillor Geddert dated January 17, 2019

Hearing no objections, Council approved this report by unanimous consent

19.01.34 P5. GP-13 COUNCIL MEMBER ORIENTATION - SMALLWOOD
Monitoring Report by Councillor Smallwood dated January 17, 2019

Hearing no objections, Council approved this report by unanimous consent

19.01.35 P6. GP-13 COUNCIL MEMBER ORIENTATION - TEKLEMARIAM
Monitoring Report by Councillor Teklemariam dated January 17, 2019

Hearing no objections, Council approved this report by unanimous consent

EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS

None

COUNCIL-CEO RELATIONSHIP

None

At 4:40 p.m. Councillor Epp left the meeting

INFORMATION ITEMS

19.01.36 Council received the following information items:

N1. MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2018

N2. FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS AT NOVEMBER 30, 2018

President Eden invited Ian Wiebe, Manager of Finance to present a financial update. A review of financial data and a summary of internal controls was presented to Council.

N3. ENGINEERING CHANGES LIVES ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN

N4. FEBRUARY TRAINING – SAVE THE DATE

N5. MEMBER ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS

At 4:56 p.m. Councillor Bell left the meeting

SELF-EVALUATION

19.01.37 President Eden asked for councillors to fill out the evaluation form for today's meeting.

FYI 'NICE TO KNOW' INFORMATION

19.01.38 **F1. HAPPY HOLIDAYS POSTCARD FROM UMES**
F2. MANITOBA ROBOT GAMES – THANK-YOU LETTER
F3. THE COUNCIL ONE PAGER JANUARY 2019

ADJOURNMENT

19.01.39 The meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

The next meeting of Council will be held at 12:30 p.m., Thursday, March 14, 2019.

Ruth Eden, P.Eng.
President

Grant Koropatnick, P.Eng. FEC
CEO & Registrar