

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of Engineers Geoscientists Manitoba held online and at 870 Pembina Hwy, Winnipeg, MB on Thursday, September 15, 2022

PRESENT: Allan Silk presiding; Kathryn Atamanchuk; Mike Houvardas; Neil Klassen; Christina McDonald; Linda Murphy; Crystal Paculan; Celine Rivard; John Sawatzky; Ian Smallwood; Shipra Verma; Eric Yang

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Gregoire; Fiona Hillier; Grant Koropatnick; Angela Moore; Scott Sarna; Lisa Stepnuk; Ian Wiebe; Anjanette Zielinski

REGRETS: Doug Bell; Dawn Nedohin-Macek; Efrem Teklemariam; Michelle Wadelius

OBSERVERS: Dave Ennis; Alan Pollard; Vicki Poirier

22.05.1 CALL TO ORDER

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

22.05.2 TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

President Silk 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.

22.05.3 INTRODUCTIONS

President Silk welcomed everyone to the meeting, including Association staff and online observers. Regrets were received from Councillor Wadelius and Councillor Teklemariam, Engineers Canada Manitoba Director, Dawn Nedohin-Macek, and Geoscientists Canada Manitoba Director, Doug Bell

A Moment of Silence was observed in the memory of Queen Elizabeth II.

22.05.4 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

President Silk asked if there were any proposed changes or additions to the agenda. Hearing none, he asked that item C2 and C3 be moved from the Consent Agenda into the In Camera session.

It was **MOVED** by Kathryn Atamanchuk and **SECONDED** by Ian Smallwood that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

22.05.5 CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

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

- 22.05.6 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 9, 2022**
President Silk asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the Council meeting of June 9, 2022. Hearing none, the minutes are adopted as circulated.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

- 22.05.7 B1. CHAIR'S REPORT - PRESIDENT ALLAN SILK, P.ENG., FEC**
President Silk referred to his report in the online agenda.
- 22.05.8 B2. ENGINEERS CANADA DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
President Silk referred to the report in the online agenda.
- 22.05.9 B3. GEOSCIENTISTS CANADA DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
President Silk referred to the report in the online agenda.
- 22.05.10 B4. COUNCIL RETREAT – SAVE THE DATE**
President Silk noted that the retreat would take place on November 18th & 19th.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 22.05.11** 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 June 1, 2022 and August 31, 2022.

COUNCIL EDUCATION

- 22.05.12 D1. EVALUATION OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING**
- 22.05.13 D2. KEYWORD SEARCHES IN THE COUNCIL ARCHIVE**
Council was referred to the background memo from Grant Koropatnick, dated September 15, 2022.
- 22.05.14 D3. A GOOD DEFINITION OF GOVERNANCE**
Council was referred to the background memo from Grant Koropatnick, dated September 15, 2022.

Councillor McDonald asked where business arising from the minutes would fall on the Council agenda. It was suggested that it could be added to the Action Items list discussed during the In Camera session.

Councillor Murphy observed that the number of geoscientists on the Applications Approved by the Registration Committee (agenda item C1) were not aggregated on the page. President Silk suggested that a summary showing both engineers and geoscientists be provided at bottom of the list.

GOVERNANCE

22.05.15 G1. AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Council was referred to a decision background memo from the Audit Committee dated September 15, 2022.

Past President Mann, member of the Audit Committee, provided an overview.

It was MOVED by Jason Mann and SECONDED by Mike Houvardas that Council approves the Audit Committee's recommendation that Fort Group be appointed as the Association's auditor for the 2022-2023 fiscal year and that the recommendation be presented to members for approval at the Annual General Meeting on October 13, 2022.

CARRIED

It was MOVED by Jason Mann and SECONDED by Kathryn Atamanchuk that Council approves the Financial Statements for the year ending June 30, 2022.

CARRIED

President Silk informed Council of Councillor Verma's offer to review and comment on the presentation of financial information to Council. Ian Wiebe, Manager of Finance & IT, offered to present a new sample representation of the financial data at the December Council meeting. **[ACTION ITEM]**

22.05.16 G2. MANUAL OF ADMISSIONS

Council was referred to a decision background memo from the Grant Koropatnick dated September 15, 2022.

It was MOVED by Kathryn Atamanchuk and SECONDED by Celine Rivard that Council approves the new version of the Manual of Admissions as presented, with the changes identified in the email from Councillor Atamanchuk to President Silk and Grant Koropatnick.

CARRIED

At 1:20 p.m. Councillor Sawatzky joined the meeting

22.05.17 G3. SPECIFIED SCOPE OF PRACTICE LICENCE – CET APPLICANTS

Council was referred to a decision background memo from the Grant Koropatnick dated September 15, 2022.

It was MOVED by Ian Smallwood and SECONDED by Crystal Paculan that Council approves the policy that all SSPL applicants must meet the minimum education requirements as stated in the Certified Technologist Application Handbook in order to be granted registration as a SSP licensee.

CARRIED

22.05.18

G4. SHOULD A PRACTITIONER BE ALLOWED TO “MOONLIGHT.”

Grant spoke to his decision background memo dated September 15, 2022.

It was MOVED by Celine Rivard and SECONDED by Shipra Verma that Council approves the suspension of Section 16(1)(b)(ii) of the Act, in order to allow practitioners the opportunity of starting and operating a C of A approved company in addition to their regular full time employment for a different employer.

Council discussed the motion. While some councillors agreed that this activity should be allowed, it was decided that an Act change would be necessary for it to occur.

At 1:55 p.m. Councillor Yang left the meeting

President Silk called the question on the motion and Council voted.

DEFEATED

At 1:59 p.m. Councillor Yang returned to the meeting

At 2:00 p.m. Past President Mann left the meeting

At 2:00 p.m. Council took a break

At 2:12 p.m. Council returned from break

22.05.19

G5. 2022-2023 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Council referred to a decision background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated September 15, 2022.

It was MOVED by Shipra Verma and SECONDED by Celine Rivard that Council approves the 2022-2023 Council Meeting Schedule as presented.

CARRIED

22.05.20

G6. RULES OF PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE; IC, DC AND APPEALS

Council referred to a decision background memo from Grant Koropatnick dated September 15, 2022.

It was MOVED by Kathryn Atamanchuk and SECONDED by Eric Yang that Council approves the Rules of Practice and Procedure: Investigations, Discipline & Appeals as presented.

CARRIED

At 2:16 p.m. President Silk 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 3:20 p.m. Councillor Houvardas left the meeting

At 3:25 p.m. Council came out of Camera

INFORMATION ITEMS

22.05.26 COUNCIL RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ITEMS:

- N1. Membership statistics as at August 31, 2022
- N2. Financial Statement as at July 31, 2022
- N3. New Guidelines and Practice Note
- N4. Candidates for 2022 Council Election
- N5. Strategic Plans - FYI
- N6. Nurse denied by Nursing Regulation Body
- N7. Passing of Parliamentarian Vera Chernecki

SELF-EVALUATION

22.05.27 V1. EVALUATION PAGE FOR THIS MEETING

President Silk asked for councillors to complete and submit the evaluation form for today's meeting.

FYI 'NICE TO KNOW' INFORMATION

22.05.28 F1. A Thought for Finishing the Council Year

ADJOURNMENT

22.05.29 The meeting adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

The next Council meeting will be Thursday, December 8, at 12:30 p.m.

Allan Silk, P.Eng., FEC
President

Grant Koropatnick, P.Eng., FEC
CEO & Registrar