

Association of the Chemical Profession of Alberta Annual General Meeting Minutes

When: May 10, 2008

Where: Nisku Inn, Nisku, Alberta

Time: 2:00 pm

Present: Frank Bachelor, Member
 Stan Backs, Member
 Zoran Bajic, Member
 John Banks, Director
 Donald Burke, Member
 Roger Cowles, President
 Darren Crichton, Member
 Nancy Cyr, Member
 Bradley Gimbe, Member
 Shane Harnish, Member
 Kathy Janzen, Director
 Patrick Kalita, Director
 Mary Mayes, Member
 Trent Parks, Member
 George Ruddock, Member
 Ken Schmidt, Member
 Maurice Shevalier, Director
 Cindy Slupsky, Member
 Frances Sutherland, Director,
 Chris Swyngedouw, Director
 Bob Taylor, Director
 Maung Tun, Member
 Don White, Member
 Zhengnan Yu, Member
 Jose Zacharia, Member

Note: the above members signed the attendance list – it is suspected that some attendees did not sign the list.

MINUTES

The President, Roger Cowles welcomed everyone to the ACPA Annual General Meeting and called the meeting to order at 2:16 p.m. He then introduced the Board and Committee members to the attendees.

<i>No.</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Action</i>
3.0	Approval of Minutes of the 2007 AGM	
	No questions. Motion to approve the minutes of the 2007 AGM as presented. Moved: Robert Taylor Seconded: Don White Carried.	

4.0	President's Report	
	Roger Cowles presented last year's activities. Highlights were the environmental sign-off and the establishment of the legislative committee The ACPA sponsored science fairs, career nights, and the CIC local sections. A workshop on oilfield chemistry has been prepared.	
5.0	Treasurer's Report	
	<p>Roger Cowles reviewed the 2007 fiscal year financial statements. Roger also presented the 2008 budget and year-to-date financials.</p> <p>Motion to accept reports as presented. Moved: Frank Bachelor Seconded: Kathy Janzen Carried.</p> <p>Motion to appoint the auditors for the 2008 financials as Nancy Cyr and David Wong Moved: Ken Schmidt Seconded: Pat Kalita Carried.</p>	
6.0	Registrar's Report	
	<p>Trent Parks announced the Board of Directors election results. 74 ballots were returned The following members were elected to the Board; John Banks Shane Harnish (new board member) Pat Kalita Paul Kucharczyk</p> <p>Motion to destroy the ballots Moved: Mary Mayes Seconded: Stan Backs Carried.</p> <p>The membership statistics are as of May 1st: 321 members in good standing (271 in 2007) 273 Full members 17 CIT members 16 Student members 9 Retired members 5 Associate members 272 members have paid for 2008 as of May 1st, 2008 (259 in 2007).</p>	

7.0	Report on Professional Sign-off on Reclamation and Remediation and on the Legislative Committee	
	<p>John Banks explained the remediation and reclamation sign-off. In 2004 a competencies committee was established. Qualifications were defined as experience + education + training. This then led to the joint practice standard. John pointed out that the documents being relied on also include lab reports.</p> <p>On January 1, 2008 members of the 6 professional groups are able to sign off on reclamation and remediation reports. The requirements are 5y of experience, professional liability insurance and signature with stamp or registration number.</p> <p>The legislative committee of the ACPA is developing a new chemist's act. Its purpose is to protect the sign-off. The draft act is based on the AIA act (Agrologists). It will deal with the scope of practice within chemistry as well as with overlapping scopes.</p> <p>Next steps are to get membership approval to develop regulations and by-law. Important is also the consideration of technologists. Finally the act will be obtained through parliament.</p> <p>Motion to create a category for technologists. Discussion: this category would exist not at the act level but at the regulations level.</p> <p>Moved: John Banks Seconded: Bob Taylor 1 member opposed Carried.</p>	
9.0	Short Course on Industrial Oilfield Chemistry	
	Kathy Janzen mentioned that there are 31 registrants as of May 10, 2008	
10.0	CSC Conference	
	Roger Cowles asked for volunteers to man the booth in the exhibition area. There are also about 20 volunteers needed to help judge the undergraduate poster competition. Roger also mentioned the panel discussion that will occur on Wednesday, May 28 th .	
	Roger also explained the membership drive incentive. A draw for a 1 year free membership (for 2009) or, if preferred, for a chemist's ring is occurring until the end of June. This would tie in with member retention and membership benefits.	

11.0	Report on National Advisory Committee on the Profession of Chemistry in Canada	
	<p>Roger Cowles updated the membership about the priorities of this committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional liability insurance • Transferability of the professional designations across Canada • Inclusion of technologists • Include professional subjects in curricula 	
12.0	Service to the Profession Award	
	The Service to the Profession Award went to Stan Backs. Stan has been 7 years on the board, was active in the local CIC section, participated in Science Fairs, assisted in editing newsletter articles and helped with the website. The award to Stan Backs was presented by Frank Bachelor himself.	
13.0	Arthur Bollo-Kamara Scholarship	
	The Arthur Bollo-Kamara Scholarship was presented by Kathy Janzen. There were 6 candidates. The amount of the award was also increased to \$1000. this year's recipient is Michael Gultiss(?); Michael keeps an A average at School, is involved in the local section, participates in the student association, and further plays piano.	
14.0	Chemists Ring Ceremony	
	Frank Bachelor presented rings to 3 members. The Chemist's declaration was then read by these members.	
15.0	Open Forum	
	Topics that came up during the open forum were about "non-practicing" members and how technologists would fit in the ACPA.	
9.0	Adjournment	
	The meeting was adjourned at 16:00 by a motion from Stan Backs and seconded by Pat Kalita	

Minutes prepared by Chris Swyngedouw
May 20, 2008.