

Professional Geologists of Indiana, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting

Indianapolis, Indiana
April 24, 2007

Present: Larry Studebaker, Kevin Strunk, Ann Garner, Ron Hosek, Jim King, and Chris Parks.

Absent: Don Neeley, Kim Forster, Charly Zuppann.

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm by president Larry Studebaker. A quorum was established.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was approved after adding (1) consideration of a recommendation for the member-at-large position for the LPG Board and (2) the legislative category.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the 2/22/07, meeting were approved as presented.

Action Items: The status of the action items listed in the 2/22/07 meeting minutes was reviewed.

Annual Awards and Meeting: The board voted unanimously to confirm moving the presentation of the 2007 annual awards from the Spring BBQ to the annual meeting in November. The board agreed that higher-quality awards should be provided to recipients.

The board also discussed formalizing the nominating process by using forms to document that nominees meet certain criteria and to provide biographical information. The forms will be posted on the web site with instructions that nominations are to be received by 10/1/07. It is the board's intent that awards be selected via a more standardized and formalized nominating process.

The board engaged in general discussion about the venue and format for the annual meeting in November. No decision was made in that regard.

Action Item: Larry S. and Jim K. will prepare draft nominating forms for the annual awards. The draft forms will be emailed to other board members for review.

Action Item: Ann will research awards of appropriate type and value.

Spring BBQ: The board discussed potential activities for the BBQ. Now that the presentation of annual awards has been moved to November's annual meeting, the primary purpose of the BBQ is social. The board discussed soliciting donated door prizes from vendors and purchasing other prizes such as toys.

Action on Proposed Motions: None proposed.

Legislative/LPG Rule Update: Kevin noted that the LPG Board, at its 3/22/07 meeting, decided to attempt repromulgating the sanctions rule. The PGI board agreed to invite State Geologist John Steinmetz to its 6/19/07 meeting so that he can relate firsthand the goals and priorities of the LPG Board, obstacles to achieving those goals, and how he believes PGI can help the LPG Board progress toward its goals.

Ron H. notified that board that Ryan McCormick of PSI's Indianapolis office had expressed interest in being considered for the at-large position on the LPG Board. Ryan is not a geologist but has peripheral knowledge of geology and environmental issues through his association with PSI. After a brief discussion, the board unanimously agreed that Ryan should be recommended to the LPG board. Ron H. will submit Ryan's name by letter to John Steinmetz.

Treasurer's Report: No treasurer's report.

Newsletter and Website Updates: No updates provided.

Action Item: Ann G. agreed to explore establishing a PGI email address so that communication with the members at large (e.g., through the newsletter and other member-wide notices) comes from PGI as an organization rather than from individual board members.

Other Actions: Ann G. has been moved to the Events Committee, and Kevin S. has been moved to the Field Trips Committee.

Date, Time, and Location of Next Board Meeting. The next PGI board meeting was scheduled for 3:00 pm on June 19, 2007, at PSI in Indianapolis. Agenda items are to be submitted to Larry S. in writing on or before June 1.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:45 pm.