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GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (GLC)

Tuesday, January 17, 2017, 6:00pm – 9:00pm (Dinner 6pm; Meeting 7pm)

Teleconference Dial In: 1.866.512.0904 Access code: 8804517#

Attendees

Chair:	Darla Campbell, P.Eng.	P.Eng. active in a Riding Association
Vice chair:	Gabe Tse, P.Eng.	GLP Chair
Members:	Daniel King, EIT	EIT representative
	Warren Turnbull, P.Eng.	Regional Councillors Committee
	Bill Allison, P.Eng.	Consulting Engineers Ontario (CEO)
	Angel Serah	Student representative
	Daniel Liao, P.Eng.	GLP Chair
	Rakesh Shreewastav, P.Eng.	Engineers Canada BG&E Representative (via teleconference)
	Nick Colucci, P.Eng.	Advisory Committee Volunteers (via teleconference)
Staff Advisor:	Jeannette Chau, P.Eng.	PEO Manager, Student and Government Liaison Programs
Ex-officio:	Gerard McDonald, P.Eng.	Registrar
Observer:	Howard Brown	PEO Government Relations Consultant, Brown & Cohen
Regrets:	Matthew Jelavic, P.Eng.	Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE)
	Vacant	LGA Councillor

1. Call to Order

Darla Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Bill Allison motioned to approve the Agenda. Daniel King seconded the motion. All approved.

Gabe Tse motioned to approve the Minutes of the GLC meeting held on December 13th, 2016.

Warren Turnbull seconded the motion. All approved.

Review of Action items: the Action items from the last meeting were reviewed. All have been completed except verifying whether OSPE has sent the conference workshop feedback summary to the OSPE PAN reps. Jeannette Chau will follow up.

Review of Operational Plan: Darla Campbell presented the Operational Plan updated for 2017.

3. Report from Partners

Engineers Canada: Rakesh Shreewastav provided the following update: March 9th, 2017 will be the Engineers Canada MP Contact Day. There will be a planning meeting held the evening prior. The Engineers Canada Bridging Government & Engineers committee is also working on setting up MP meetings at the local level. The GLC Regulatory Issues sub-committee will likely reach out to Engineers Canada to obtain information on the impact of the European Trade Agreement.

CEO: Bill Allison – nothing new to report. The CEO Queen’s Park Day has been set for Monday, October 16th.

ESSCO: Took part in the CFES (Canadian Federation of Engineering Students) Congress on Jan 2-8. A new board of directors elected during it. Over 180 students from over 50 schools attended. The OEC (Ontario Engineering Competition) is being organized Jan 27-29. FYIC will take place in February in Ottawa.

OSPE: update attached.

4. Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2017

The election of GLC Chair and Vice-chair for 2017 was conducted.

Darla Campbell was elected as chair. (Nominated by Gabe Tse, seconded by Warren Turnbull. Acclaimed)

Gabe Tse was elected as vice-chair. (Nominated by Warren Turnbull, seconded by Daniel King. Acclaimed).

Warren Turnbull remains as Council Liaison.

Action: Jeannette Chau to inform the Volunteer coordinator

5. Committees - participants

GLC members volunteered to join the various GLC sub-committees as follows:

- Regulatory Issues sub-committee: Daniel King, Darla Campbell, Bill Allison, Matthew Jelavic, Rakesh Shreewastav, Angel Serah
- GLP Chair Engagement sub-committee – the GLP chair members of the GLC (Daniel Liao and Gabe Tse) will co-chair this sub-committee. The Take Your MPP to Work Day initiative will now fall under this sub-committee
- GLP Training sub-committee – Gabe Tse, Nick Colluci
- Audit Implementation Plan – Warren Turnbull, Daniel King, Darla Campbell
- Queen’s Park Day sub-committee – Angel Serah, Daniel King

Action: Sub-committees are to meet and develop terms of reference.

6. Update on Audit of GLP and Implementation Plan

Jeannette provided an update on the Implementation Plan for the GLP Audit recommendations. The GLP Implementation plan is to be presented to PEO Council in June, which means it must be ready along with the Briefing Note in May. Jeannette Chau has offered to draft the GLP Implementation Plan for review at the February GLC meeting. Discussions and changes can be made and further review at the March GLC meeting for final approval

Action: Jeannette Chau to draft the GLP Implementation Plan for GLC review at their February meeting.

7. Report on the Burden Reduction Act & Industrial Exception Work Plan

Jeannette Chau provided an update on the *Burden Reduction Act* and the Industrial Exception Work Plan. The *Burden Reduction Act* has been referred to the Standing committee on General Government. Committee hearing dates will be on January 22nd, 27th, and March 1st. PEO has requested to present at the committee hearings. PEO is trying to meet with each of the members on the committee are prior to the committee hearings.

8. Regulatory Issues sub-committee

Daniel King – have not met since December Christmas break in January. Tracking issues on CPD, financing legis. The first meeting will be held on Tues Feb 7, 7:30am.

9. Take Your MPP to Work Day

Jeannette provided an overview to the GLC of the status of the various chapters who might be willing to host.

10. Dates for GLC meetings in 2017

The committee approved the GLC meeting dates for 2017. They will be on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Meeting dates are: January 17 (face-to-face), February 21, March 21 (face-to-face), April 18, May 16 (face-to-face), June 20, July 18, August 15, September 19 (face-to-face), October 4 (Queen's Park Day), October 17, November 21, December 12 (face-to-face). All meetings are via teleconference unless otherwise indicated.

11. Strategic Plan 2018-2020 Workshop

PEO Registrar Gerard McDonald held a workshop on the strategic objectives of the GLC. Inputs will be incorporated into the 2018-2020 PEO Strategic Plan

12. New or other business

Daniel Liao informed the GLC of the PEO Council all-candidates debate they were holding on February 4th, 2017.

Oakville chapter will have the CEO of Ontario Power Generation (OPG) present their Green Energy Plan on February 8th, 2017.

13. Next meeting and adjournment

The next GLC meeting will be held via teleconference on **Tuesday February 21st, 2017, 7:30-9:00 am**. Teleconference Dial In: 1.866.512.0904 Access code: 8804517#.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Attachments

OSPE Partner update:

ONTARIO SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS CEO UPDATE

Ontario's Long Term Energy Plan Submission

This will be a major focus for Q1 as Energy Pricing is continuing to be a major news item. To date, we have met with the Ontario PC PAC to share this with them, as well as the Ontario Ministry of Energy staff. We've shared this with media outlets and are scheduling a meeting with the Minister of Energy. This will be a major plan in OSPE's Provincial Budget submission. If you haven't read it yet, it can be found on the following link:

https://www.ospe.on.ca/public/documents/advocacy/submissions/OSPE_2017_LTEP_Submission.pdf

2017 Ontario Budget Submission

OSPE has been invited in front of the Standing Committee on Finance & Economic Affairs to share our thoughts on the priorities for the upcoming Provincial Budget. We only have 10 minutes to speak and we are focusing on three Economical/Budgetary priority areas: Infrastructure, Energy & Ontario's Engineering Labour Market. These areas have been identified based on our ongoing discussion with government and ensuring we are aligning our work with the economic areas of focus that the provincial government and opposition parties are focusing on. We continue to discuss other topics with various ministries, including, but not limited to Women and Diversity in Engineering, Excess Soils, Climate Change, Innovation and Northern Community Development (Including Ring of Fire), but these three areas will have the biggest impact on OSPE's relationship and ability to influence government policy making. Our budget submission invitation is for this Wednesday, January 18, 2017 in the morning. Once completed, the submission will be posted on the OSPE website. Previous budget submissions are also posted there. This will be our third submission, and previous submissions were very well received, and hence, our invitation back this year.

BHAG Meeting

The next meeting of the Big Hairy Audacious Goal group is this Thursday, January 19th. We will continue to progress the work that presented at the last board meeting with the goals of increasing OSPE's financial standing and growing overall membership. During this time, there will be a film crew in the OSPE office, shooting video for the Workplace Culture Bridging Program, an OSPE project that is funded by the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration.

Oakville & North Bay Chapters AGM

Sandro Perruzza has been asked by the Oakville Chapter to bring greetings on behalf of OSPE to their upcoming AGM and Licencing Ceremony on January 25th. The Oakville Chapter is a very active chapter in the advocacy space, and have partnered with the Oakville Chamber of Commerce over the past few years to do this. Sandro is intending to demonstrate the OSPE activities and successes, with the goals of having the Oakville chapter partner more closely with OSPE in the next few months, and having more Oakville

engineers join OSPE. Similarly, Michael Monette will be in North Bay on the 26th and 27th for the North Bay Engineering Symposium & Licencing Ceremony. These events are part of our strategy of reaching out to the chapters and demonstrate OSPE's achievements and building on the key messages from candidates in the PEO election that PEO and the chapters needs to get back to their core role as a Regulator and that the chapters should leave the advocacy to OSPE, if they want to retain the privilege to self-regulate.

PEO All Candidate Meetings

As you know, PEO held the all candidate meetings last week for the upcoming election. Voting begins on January 20th and ends on February 24th. A number of questions came up in the all candidate meetings about OSPE and our role. The "Two Sides of the Same Coin" pamphlet was referenced a number of time and most candidates seemed to understand the difference between OSPE and PEO. Most candidates also purported to be an OSPE member and some boasted to being an OSPE member since day 1 and the various ways they supported OSPE. During the President Elect meeting, a number of questions from the members came in to ask what the candidates would do about issues that are clearly advocacy issues. The candidates for President Elect (Dave Brown, Darla Campbell and Peter DeVita) all clearly stated that these were OSPE issues and encouraged the members to contact (and join) OSPE about these issues. We are preparing a response that we will post on our blog. You can watch the video here:
<http://webcast.fmav.ca/peoacm2017pe/>

Excess Soils

OSPE is continuing to participate on the Excess Soils Engagement Group, and although we feel the work is progressing slowly, the various ministries seem to think they are moving forward at breakneck speed. Many thanks to Steve Rose and Lee for continuing to progress this.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, February 15th, 2017 – Engineering Employment Event in Windsor, Ontario. – Hosting an E3 as part of our commitment to reach out beyond the GTA to engage local engineers in the outlying region. We have eight employers confirmed so far, with a few more tentatively considering joining the event.

Saturday, February 25th, 2017 – Hamilton-Halton Engineering Week – Projects of the Year Dinner, held at Winona Vine Estates in Stoney Creek, Ontario. Between 120-180 participants attend to celebrate engineering excellence in the Hamilton-Halton Area. OSPE will be buying a table to support the event, (as it is our event). This will be the OSPE kick-off for National Engineering Month.

Tuesday, February 28th, 2017 – OSPE-McMaster "Engineering Leaders in Public Policy" event at McMaster University in Hamilton. Join between 150-200 engineers and engineering students to discuss why engineers must be invited to the public policy table, and what is being done to ensure this happens.