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GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (GLC)

Tuesday, June 20, 2017, 7:30-9:00am

Teleconference Dial In: 1.866.512.0904 Access code: 8804517#

Attendees

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

1. Call to Order

Darla Campbell called the meeting to order at approximately 7:35 am

2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Warren Turnbull moved a motion to approve the Agenda. Bill Allison seconded the motion. All approved.

Warren Turnbull made a motion to approve the Minutes of the May 16th, 2017 GLC meeting. Rakesh Shreewastav seconded the motion. All approved.

Action items from the last meeting were reviewed.

3. Report from Manager, GLP Programs

Jeannette Chau provided a summary of the Eastern Region GLP Academy and Congress held on June 10, 2017. The session went well and received positive comments at the end of the session. Topics covered were the changes to the political fundraising rules, PEAK, Take Your MPP to Work Days, Who's Who in the Zoo, Writing workshop, GLP Scorecard, Achieving GLP Excellence, and a sharing of GLP activities completed and planned by each of the Eastern region chapters. Attorney

General Yasir Naqvi was the keynote luncheon speaker. He spoke about the government and the difficult decisions they face on issues such as the Industrial Repeal and the work that they do. The Western Region GLP Academy and Congress is planned for October 21st. Georgian Bay chapter is hosting and we are currently in the process of selecting a venue. The East and West Central Region GLP Academy and Congress will be on December 2nd. GLC members are encouraged to attend a session.

There were no updates to the *Burden Reduction Act* and the Industrial Exception as the activities relating to this have now ceased.

Several Take Your MPP to Work Days are in the works. Jeannette reviewed the 2017 completed Take Your MPP Days and the ones that are currently in the works:

2017 completed:

1. 3 Feb 2017 – Ottawa chapter/John Fraser, MPP (Ottawa South)/Chaudiere Falls Expansion Project
2. 5 Feb 2017 – Georgian Bay chapter/Lisa Thompson, MPP (Huron-Bruce)/Price Schonstrom Inc
3. 19 Apr 2017 – Scarborough chapter/Soo Wong, MPP (Scarborough-Agincourt)/Bell Canada

In the works:

1. Mississauga & Kingsway chapter/ Peter Milcyn, MPP (Etobicoke-Lakeshore)/Star Navigation
2. Toronto Humber & York chapter/MPP TBD/MTO
3. Lake Ontario chapter/Lorne Coe, MPP/DES
4. Scarborough chapter/MPP TBD/Bell Canada
5. Peterborough chapter/MPP TBD/Siemens
6. Sudbury chapter/MPP TBD/ SNO lab
7. Kingston chapter/ Randy Hiller, MPP/Bombardier
8. Grand River chapter/Catherine Fife, MPP/BMW
9. East Toronto chapter/Peter Tabuns, MPP/Urban Center for Energy, Ryerson University

The target number of completed Take Your MPP to Work Days for 2017 is 18.

Jeannette Chau reported that the next issue of Engineering Dimensions will have an article on How to hold a Take Your MPP to Work Day.

4. Report from Partners

Engineers Canada: Rakesh Shreewastav reported on the Engineers Canada Bridging Government and Engineers (BG&E) activities. Engineers Canada will be having their annual workshop where they will be working on their strategy and prioritizing the items that they will be working on. He will report more on this after it is held. One of the items will be on how to advance the profile of engineering. International National Women in Engineering Day (INWED) will be on Friday, June 23rd, 2017.

Action: Rakesh Shreewastav to provide a report back to the GLC on the Engineers Canada annual workshop.

CEO: Bill Allison provided an update on the Construction Lien Act. A major item of concern is the certification of completed work for payment and the liability this might have for the engineer if the certification is not accurate. CEO is awaiting response from the government on the Construction Lien Act.

ESSCO:

Angel Serah was not present however sent in her report on ESSCO as follows:

The AGM went really well. The new ESSCO Executives were elected for this year. They are:

- President: Andrew Cook (McMaster)
- VP Finance and Administration: Cyлина El-Bouchi (Carleton)
- VP Communications: Jeffrey Lee (Ryerson)
- VP Services: Ram Ganesh (Ryerson)

The ESSCO executives will officially take over starting July 1st.

OSPE:

Jim Chisholm informed the GLC that there was a motion that was adopted at the West Central Congress on June 14th to look at a joint project between PEO and OSPE on climate change. He will obtain notes from OSPE on their advocacy activities for the next meeting.

5. Report from subcommittees and approval of Terms of Reference

Regulatory Issues subcommittee – the subcommittee met on June 6, 2017 and reviewed the GLP Info Note on the PEAK program. It is ready for distribution soon. The GLC reviewed the copy of the GLP Info Note. There were no concerns expressed. It will be distributed to Councillors with the next Registrar’s report for their review and information. If there are no concerns expressed from Councillors, then the GLP Info Note will be distributed the GLP chairs and posted on the PEO website.

There is no new information on CETA impacts.

Action: Jeannette Chau to send the GLP Info Note to PEO Council via the Registrar’s report.

Queen’s Park Day subcommittee – no activities to report. This subcommittee has not convened yet. Angel Serah will chair this subcommittee. Jeannette Chau suggested looking at possibly holding this as a full day event this year and inviting interested GLP chairs to tour Queen’s Park and attend Question Period in the legislature. This came about after a couple of the GLP chairs at the recent Eastern Region GLP Academy mentioned they had never toured Queen’s Park before. We would also try and arrange meetings with the GLP chairs MPP during the day, prior to the reception.

Action: Jeannette Chau to work with Angel Serah to begin the planning activities of the Queen’s Park Day subcommittee.

GLP Chair Engagement – no activities to report. The next quarterly GLP Chair Engagement call is scheduled for June 27th, 4-5pm. Take Your MPP to Work Days will be emphasized again along with the changes to the political fundraising rules.

Enhanced Government Outreach – The Enhanced Government Outreach working group met on May 30th. They discussed key messages and the creation of leave behind material (for example, a postcard) for MPPs. The group will look at developing key messages and the value proposition for MPPs.

Jeannette Chau has implemented a one-on-one briefing call with GLP reps prior to their meeting with an MPP and trialed it with GLP Chair Daniel Liao prior to his attending an Empire Club luncheon with Minister Michael Chan. Daniel reported back that he found it helpful.

Training Advisory group – has their first meeting scheduled for Thursday June 22nd. Nick Colucci and Gabe Tse are the current members of this group.

Audit Implementation plan subcommittee

Warren Turnbull provided an update on the GLP Audit Implementation Plan activities. A GLC rehearsal/feedback session was held on June 8th. A presentation package on the GLP Audit Implementation Plan has been produced which will be presented for discussion at the PEO Council Plenary on Thursday, June 22nd. The motion to approve the Plan will be presented the following day at PEO Council on Friday, June 23rd. Copies of the materials have been sent to members of the GLC.

6. New or other business

Top three committee challenges – the GLC has been asked to submit their top three challenges for their committee operations to the Committee Chairs Workshop planning group. They will review for possible topics to include at the Committee Chairs Workshop which will be held in the fall.

Key Messages – Key messages are in development. This item will be tabled for next meeting.

7. Next meeting and adjournment

The next GLC meeting will be held **via teleconference on Tuesday August 15, 2017, 7:30-9:00 am**. Warren Turnbull moved a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Daniel Liao. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:00 am.