



Minutes

The 498TH MEETING of the COUNCIL of PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS ONTARIO (PEO) was held at PEO Offices, 40 Sheppard Avenue West, Toronto, Ontario on Friday, February 6, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

- Present:
- J. D. Adams, P.Eng., President [minutes 11467 – 11472 only]
 - A. Bergeron, P.Eng., Past President
 - T. Chong, P.Eng., President Elect
 - G. Comrie, P.Eng., Vice President (Elected)
 - M. Wesa, P.Eng., Vice President (Appointed) – [plenary session only]
 - R. Huang, LL.B., Council Chair
 - I. Bhatia, P.Eng.
 - D. Brown, P.Eng.
 - D. Chui, P.Eng. [minutes 11468 g-h to 11484 only]
 - N. Colucci, P.Eng.
 - B. Dony, P.Eng.
 - R. A. Fraser, P.Eng.
 - S. K. Gupta, P.Eng.
 - R. Jones, P.Eng.
 - C.M. Kidd, P.Eng.
 - L. King, P.Eng.
 - B. Kossta
 - E. Kuczera, P.Eng.
 - M. Long-Irwin [minutes 11468 to 11479]
 - S. Reid, C.Tech. [11465 – 11479 only]
 - S. Robert, P.Eng.
 - C.D. Roney, P.Eng.
 - C. Sadr, P.Eng.
 - R.K. Shreewastav, P.Eng. [11465 – 11479 only]
 - M. Spink, P.Eng.
 - R. Willson, P.Eng.
- Regrets:
- R. J. Hilton, P.Eng.
- Staff:
- G. McDonald, P.Eng., Registrar
 - S.W. Clark, LL.B.
 - L. Latham, P.Eng.
 - M. Price, P.Eng.
 - J. Zuccon, P.Eng.
 - R. Martin
 - D. Power

- Guests:
- H. Brown, Brown & Cohen Communications-Public Affairs
[minutes 11465– 11484, except minute 11468]
 - D.L. Freeman, P.Eng., PEO Director, Engineers Canada
[minutes 11465 – 11474, except minute 11468]
 - T. Chute-Molina, Office of the Fairness Commissioner
[minutes 11469 – 11484]
 - B. Steinberg, CEO of Consulting Engineers Ontario
[minutes 11469 – 11480]
 - W.R. Bilanski, P.Eng., Past President
[minutes 11465 – 11484, except minute 11468]
 - S. Inchesi, P.Eng., Chair, EDU Committee
[minutes 11474 only]

On Thursday evening, Council held a plenary session to discuss Engineers Canada response to questions regarding their proposed Education Credential Assessment Program.

Council convened at 9:00 a.m. Friday, February 6, 2015.

CALL TO ORDER

Notice having been given and a quorum being present, the Chair called the meeting to order.

**11465
APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Shreewastav, seconded by Councillor Chong:

That:

- a) **the agenda, as presented to the meeting at C-498-1.1, Appendix A be amended by:**
 - i. **adding 2.8 HRC Update**
- b) **the Chair be authorized to suspend the regular order of business.**

CARRIED

**11466
PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

There was no report.

**11467
REGISTRAR’S REPORT**

Registrar McDonald advised that he had nothing further to report beyond his regular written update to Council.

**11468
IN-CAMERA SESSION**

Moved by Councillor Willson, seconded by Councillor Jones:

That Council move in camera.

CARRIED

While in-camera, Council:

- a) verified the in-camera minutes from the 497th meeting of Council held November 2014;
- b) approved 941 Regulation changes – limited license/Certificate of Authorization, President’s Waiting period, and other administrative, governance and housekeeping items;

- c) discussed options for 40 Sheppard Avenue West – 8th Floor with further discussion and final decision moved to open session;
- d) received decisions and reasons of the Discipline Committee;
- e) received a legal update on legal actions in which PEO is involved;
- f) there were no issues reported regarding PEO’s Anti-Workplace Violence and Harassment Policy;
- g) received a report from the Complaints Review Councillor.
- h) received a report from HRC

Council recessed for lunch.

Upon reconvening, President Adams presented the following Councillors with service pins in appreciation of their volunteer services to Professional Engineers Ontario:

- Councillor Willson – 10 years
- Councillor Sadr – 15 years
- Councillor Kidd – 20 years
- Councillor Fraser – 20 years
- Councillor Chui – 25 years

**11469
40 SHEPPARD AVENUE WEST – 8TH FLOOR**

Council considered several options regarding future use of the 8th floor, 40 Sheppard Avenue West.

Moved by Councillor Colucci, seconded by Councillor Bhatia:

That Council approves PEO occupying suite 800 and directs the Registrar to create concept layouts with associated budgets to be presented at the May 2015 Council meeting.

DEFEATED
Recorded Vote

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
J.D. Adams	A. Bergeron	R. Willson
I. Bhatia	D. Brown	
N. Colucci	T. Chong	
S. Gupta	D. Chui	
B. Kossta	G. Comrie	
E. Kuczera	B. Dony	
M. Long-Irwin	R. Fraser	
S. Reid	R. Jones	
S. Robert	C. Kidd	
R. Shreewastav	L. King	
	C. Roney	
	C. Sadr	
	M. Spink	

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor King:

That Council approves leasing suite 800 for commercial office purposes.

CARRIED
Recorded Vote

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
J.D. Adams	N. Colucci	C. Sadr
A. Bergeron	G. Comrie	
I. Bhatia	S. Gupta	
D. Brown	B. Kossta	
T. Chong	E. Kuczera	
D. Chui	S. Reid	
B. Dony	S. Robert	
R. Fraser	R. Shreewastav	
R. Jones	M. Spink	
C. Kidd	R. Willson	
L. King		
M. Long-Irwin		
C. Roney		

11470
REVISED IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR
ELLIOT LAKE COMMISSION OF INQUIRY
RECOMMENDATIONS

The revised implementation plan provided was reviewed by the Legislation Committee, Professional Standards Committee, Structural Assessment Guideline Subcommittee and the Continuing Professional Development, Competence and Quality Assurance Task Force prior to presentation to Council. Councillor Roney referred to the peer review portion of the briefing note pointing out that the motion review was in fact done by the Legislation Committee, not the Elliot Lake Advisory Committee which has been stood down.

In order to provide clarification Council was advised that the Council Action Directives (Appendix A) is very specific in naming the committee or staff responsible for carrying out each recommendation contained in the Elliot Lake Commission of Inquiry Report.

Moved by Councillor Dony, seconded by Past President Bergeron:

That Council direct the Legislation Committee, Professional Standards Committee and the Continuing Professional Development, Competence and Quality Assurance Task Force to carry out the actions listed in Column 3 of Appendix A.

Councillor Roney referred to the action item under Recommendation No. 1-5, Appendix A, suggesting an amendment to proceed with the introduction of a structural engineer specialist under the Professional Engineers Act and/or Regulation 941.

Moved by Councillor Roney, seconded by Councillor Jones:

Replace the action item under recommendation 1.5 in column 3 of Appendix A with the following: That Council directs the Registrar to work with the Legislation Committee, Professional Standards Committee and its subcommittees, and others as the Registrar sees fit, to prepare the necessary amendments to the Professional Engineers Act and/or Regulation 941 to enact this recommendation. The Registrar shall ensure that our established consultation protocols are followed in the development of these amendments.

DEFEATED
Recorded Vote

<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>
J.D. Adams	I. Bhatia
A. Bergeron	T. Chong
D. Brown	D. Chui
N. Colucci	G. Comrie
R. Jones	B. Dony
M. Long-Irwin	R. Fraser
S. Robert	S. Gupta
C. Roney	C. Kidd
R. Shreewastav	L. King
	B. Kossta
	E. Kuczera
	S. Reid
	C. Sadr
	M. Spink
	R. Willson

Council then voted on the main motion.

CARRIED

11471
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

There was no report.

11472
STATISTICS - COMPLAINTS, DISCIPLINE AND LICENSING

There were no comments or queries regarding the complaints, discipline and licensing statistics.

11473
EXTENSION OF TERM FOR ENGINEERS CANADA DIRECTOR

Declaring a conflict of interest, Councillor Roney recused himself. He returned briefly to answer questions from Councillors, recusing himself again during Council's deliberations.

Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Shreewastav:

That Chris Roney's term on the Engineers Canada Board be extended to May 2018 so that he will be eligible to stand as a candidate for the

position of President-Elect of Engineers Canada at the 2015 Annual Board meeting. If unsuccessful at the election, his term will be deemed to be concluded at the end of May 2015.

CARRIED

**11474
PEO/OSPE JOINT MATH POSITION PAPER**

The Education Committee requested approval from Council to contact OSPE to request collaboration on a joint position paper on math curriculum (and possibly physics) for presentation to the Ministry of Education on behalf of engineers in Ontario. Mr. Inchesi, Chair of the Education Committee, was present to answer questions.

Moved by Vice President Comrie, seconded by Councillor Colucci:

That Council approves EDU to create a joint position paper on math curriculum (and possibly physics), in collaboration with OSPE, for presentation to the Ministry of Education on behalf of engineers in Ontario.

CARRIED

**11475
APTIFY – STATUS UPDATE**

Mr. Price, Deputy Registrar, Licensing and Finance, provided a verbal report which included current status and the overall implementation plan. He confirmed that there is a project charter in place. A further update will be provided at the March Council meeting.

Responding to a query Registrar McDonald advised that no additional funding will be sought to implement Phase I although money may be transferred, with the permission of the Finance Committee, from the Phase II budget to implement Phase I.

Deputy Registrar Price confirmed that a mechanism for reporting CPD would be considered in Phase II.

During Aptify discussions Councillor Chiu raised the issue of eBlasts and timing thereof. He was advised that while this is not related to Aptify, commencement of the pilot would begin the week of February 9, 2015, followed by the rollout to all Chapters.

**11476
ENGINEERS CANADA UPDATE**

There was no update.

**11477
REGIONAL CONGRESS OPEN ISSUES
REPORT**

A written report was provided.

**11478
LGA RESIGNATION – CHRIS RONEY**

Council was advised of Chris Roney's resignation as a Lieutenant Governor in Council appointee, effective following the conclusion of the 2015 PEO AGM, to the Council of the Association of Professional Engineers of Ontario.

11479
COUNCILLOR ITEMS

- a) Notice of Items
Councillor Fraser informed Council that motions would be presented at the March Council meeting related to the fundamental academic admission principles, following up on the plenary session with Engineers Canada on February 5, 2015, and to principles underlying accredited program P.Eng. expectations.
- b) Engineers Canada
Councillor Shreewastav advised that “Canadian Experience” is an item for open discussion at the February Engineers Canada meeting and that he, or one of the other Engineers Canada directors, would be happy to share input on this from PEO Council at this meeting.
- c) Finance Committee
Councillor Willson referred to Council motions C-492-4.5 and 5.4 passed in March 2014. He requested that Council be provided with the names of the Investment Subcommittee members and that the Finance Committee (FIC) annual workplan, based on the appropriate template, be tabled for the March Council meeting. He asked if the May 2014 Finance Committee workplan was posted on the website. Councillor Jones advised that the Finance Committee is proposing changes to the accounts for future budgets to achieve greater separation of PEO operating and building expenses.
- d) Topic for March Plenary Session
Councillor Comrie suggested that proposed revisions to the Engineer Canada Ends be the topic of the March Plenary Session. Registrar McDonald confirmed that this was the case.
- e) Audit Committee
Councillor Bhatia advised that the role of the Audit Committee in supervising and overseeing the Investment Committee was an agenda item for the next Audit Committee meeting.

11480
CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Colucci, seconded by Councillor Bhatia:

That the Consent Agenda be approved.

CARRIED

Included on the consent agenda are:

- 5.1 Minutes – 497th Council Meeting – November 21, 2014
- 5.2 Approval of Wolfe-Smith Awardees
- 5.3 Changes to Committees/Task Forces Roster
- 5.4 PEO Representative to OACETT Council

[Note: minutes 11481 to 11484 reflect the motions provided in the briefing notes presented to the meeting.]

**11481
MINUTES – 497TH COUNCIL MEETING –
November 21, 2014**

That the minutes of the open session of the 497th meeting of Council, held on November 21, 2014 as presented to the meeting at C-498-5.1, Appendix A accurately reflect the business transacted at that meeting.

CARRIED

**11482
APPROVAL OF WOLFE-SMITH AWARDEES**

That Council approve the following awards to the following examination program candidates:

- 1) V. G. Smith Award – Lisa Melanie De Angelis, P.Eng.**
- 2) S. E. Wolfe Award – Moises Pimienta, P.Eng.**

CARRIED

**11483
CHANGES TO COMMITTEES/TASK FORCES
ROSTER**

That the recommended changes to the 2015 PEO Committees and Task Forces Membership Roster be approved as presented at C-498-5.3 Appendix A.

CARRIED

**11484
PEO REPRESENTATIVE TO OACETT
COUNCIL**

That Changiz Sadr, P.Eng. be re-appointed as PEO's representative on the Council of the Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists, from June 2015 to June 2017.

CARRIED

There being no further business, the meeting concluded.

These minutes consist of eight pages and minutes 11465 to-11484 inclusive.

R. Huang, LL.B, Chair

G. McDonald, P.Eng., Registrar