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EDUCATION COMMITTEE (EDU)

Thursday, April 5, 2018, 6:00 – 9:00 pm

PEO, 40 Sheppard Ave W, Toronto, ON

Dinner, Room 8B: 6:00-7:00pm; Meeting, Room 8A: 7:00-9:00pm

Conference bridge: 1 866 512-0904; Access: 2697824#

Chair: Samer Inchasi, P.Eng.
Vice-Chair: John Hazel, P.Eng. (teleconference)
Council Liaison: Tomiwa Olukiyesi, P.Eng.
Attendees: Radomir Grigorov, P.Eng.
Karen Cain, P.Eng. (teleconference)
Paymon Sani, P.Eng.
Annabelle Lee, P.Eng.
Priscilla Williams, EIT (teleconference)
Richard Hui, P.Eng.
David Steeves, P.Eng.
Staff Advisors: Tracey Caruana, P.Eng.
Sami Lamrad, EIT
Guest: Rebecca White, EIT (EWB)
Regrets: Hao Li

1.0 Call to Order

Sam Inchasi called the meeting to order at approximately 7:10 pm when quorum was obtained.
Paymon Sani was confirmed as the meeting evaluator.

2.0 Approval of Agenda

Paymon Sani moved to approve the Agenda. Radomir Grigorov seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2.1 Approval of Minutes of the 01 March 2018 Meeting

Richard Hui moved to approve the minutes of the 01 March 2018 meeting. David Steeves seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2.2 Action Register Review

Tracey Caruana reviewed the action items on the Action Register with the Committee and updated accordingly.

3.0 Engineer-in-Residence Progress and Goals

Rebecca White from Engineers Without Borders (EWB) was in attendance and gave an overview of the EIR program.

Rebecca reviewed the current progress including the Chapter Leaders check-in for Lambton, Grand River, West Toronto and Ottawa, EIR success stories, and an update on the TD Meloche Monnex Sponsorship for 2018/2019. EWB is currently promoting for next year. They are targeting five additional chapters.

There are 206 EIRs paired with 197 schools as of the end of March 2018.

4.0 Work Plan

The EDU Committee Work Plan must be revised to align with the 2018-2020 Strategic Plan. As a result of feedback presented at the February 2018 EDU Committee meeting, the committee will be working on improving the EDU work plan to further align with the strategic plan and support the regulatory mandate at PEO.

A sub-committee will be set up to work on updating the Work Plan. They will have a clearer idea after being exposed to events such as the EDU conference and the Mathletics event.

5.0 Sub-committee/Project Updates

5.1 Engineer-in-Residence (EIR)

Updates on the EIR program were provided by Rebecca White (refer to section 3.0).

5.2 Engineering Innovation Forum (EIF)

Radomir Grigorov provided a summary on the 2018 EIF which took place on March 21 at the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre. There were approximately 200 people in attendance. EDU Committee members Radomir Grigorov and Annabelle Lee attended, as well as PEO staff member Sami Lamrad. The theme for this year's EIF was: "Securing our Networked Infrastructure".

5.3 Education Conference

Paymon Sani provided an update on the Education Conference. Bi-weekly meetings have been taking place since January. The dates of the conference will be May 25 and May 26, 2018. The theme of this year's conference is: "Full STEAM Ahead: Developing Bright Minds in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math."

The conference will focus on STEAM speakers, activities to be developed and demonstrated by the organizing committee members, and a breakout session.

6.0 Chapter Liaison Report

There is one Chapter funding request from the Chatham-Kent Chapter. They have requested \$1000 for a pilot high school Engineering overview lunch and learn session to promote Engineering as a career to high school students. The event was held previously at other high schools however the chapter would

like to provide the lunch and learn session to the remaining five schools. The cost is approximately \$200 per school.

David Steeves moved to approve the funding. Karen Cain seconded the motion. All present approved.

7.0 Succession Planning

The committee submitted nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair to Tracey Caruana via email. The nominations were reviewed at the meeting and elections for Chair and Vice Chair were held.

Paymon Sani will become Chair, and John Hazel will remain Vice-Chair.

Action: Chair and Vice-Chair to review specific portfolios with members at the next EDU meeting.

8.0 Meeting evaluation

Paymon Sani provided an evaluation of the meeting to the EDU Committee.

9.0 Next meeting and Adjournment

Samer Inchasi moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:15 pm. David Steeves seconded the motion. The next EDU Committee meeting date is scheduled for June 14, 2018 at the PEO office.