



MINUTES

GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (GLC)

Tuesday, February 21, 2017, 7:30am – 9:00am

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Attendees

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

1. Call to Order

Darla Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:30 am. Also included in the meeting package is the output from the Strategic Planning session that the Registrar facilitated at our January meeting.

2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Warren Turnbull moved a motion to approve the Agenda. Matthew Jelavic seconded the motion. All approved.

Daniel King moved a motion to approve the Minutes of the GLC meeting held on January 17th, 2017. Warren Turnbull seconded the motion. All approved.

Review of Action items: Action items from the last meeting are complete except Subcommittee Terms of reference will be carried forward to next meeting.

3. Report from Partners

Engineers Canada: Jeannette Chau reported that Engineers Canada will be holding their Hill Day on March 9th, 2017, where members of the Bridging Government and Engineers (BG&E) group will meet with MPs to raise their awareness of Engineers Canada and the issues they are working on.

CEO: Bill Allison – CEO is working on contract language initiative and terms with government sector. In the working group with MEA on municipal contracts, MEA has agreed to copyright the proposed contract language. The CEO Queen’s Park Day has been set for Monday, October 16th, 2017. The Annual Awards event is on April 8th

ESSCO: Representative unable to attend. Update attached.

OSPE: Activities are similar to what has been reported the previous month. The OSPE Board meeting will be held the following week.

4. Report from sub-committees

- Regulatory Issues sub-committee: Daniel King has been elected the chair of this sub-committee. Daniel King reported that they met on Feb 7th and next meeting is March 7th. Tracking issues including Industrial Exception, Nipigon Bridge, Building Code and CPD. Discussed rep from partner organizations and agreed to invite on specific issues (as needed). GLP Chair Engagement sub-committee –Daniel Liao reported that they will be scheduling the quarterly call with GLP chairs in March. Is there an opportunity to promote Take Your MPP to Work Days in March and get synergy with NEM? Warren suggested a note be sent to GLP chairs about Take Your MPP to Work Days. This item will be on the agenda for the call. Daniel will target full attendance on the call.
- GLP Training sub-committee – did not meet
- Audit Implementation Plan – Jeannette reported that the draft audit implementation plan, in table format, was distributed in the meeting package. Subcommittee will meet to review the plan in detail prior to next month’s meeting where we will allocate time for a workshop for all to provide input.
- Queen’s Park Day sub-committee – did not meet
- Enhance Government Outreach (new) – could be the members of the Queen’s Park Day sub-committee, to provide input on the design of the MPP database.

5. 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. PEO has been meeting with each of the members on the committee prior to the committee hearings to present PEO’s position and provide them with new research data from PEO’s report. The committee hearings have been scheduled for February 22, 27 and March 1st. PEO President George Comrie is presenting at the committee hearing on February 22nd. The GLC committee received an in-camera update regarding discussions with the Ministry of Labour from the Chair.

Action: Jeannette Chau to find out if the Memorandum of Understanding has been provided by the Ministry of Labour agreeing to the sharing of information.

6. Approve Terms of Reference for subcommittees

Regulatory Issues sub-committee –drafted a Terms of Reference which was presented to the GLC. It will be further worked on at the next Regulatory Issues sub-committee meeting. The other sub-committees have not met.

Action: Sub-committees are to meet and develop their Terms of Reference for approval at the next GLC meeting.

7. New or Other Business

Approval of the GLC 2016 Annual Report submission - the GLC 2016 Annual Report submission was reviewed. Warren Turnbull moved a motion to approve. Nick Colluci seconded the motion. All approved.

Approval of the GLC submission for the 2016 Operations Q&A report – the GLC reviewed the submission of the GLC responses for the 2016 Operations Q&A report. Daniel King moved a motion to approve the report. Matthew Jelavic seconded the motion. All approved.

GLP participation in fairs hosted by MPPs – a question had been sent by Councillor Marilyn Spink regarding whether it would make sense for PEO to participate in fairs that are hosted/sponsored by MPPs in order to build awareness of PEO and to support the MPP. The GLC discussed this. The fair might be sponsored by the MPP but there might not be much opportunity to actually interact with the MPP. It is good to increase awareness of PEO in the local community and this might be better considered as a chapter activity for community outreach than as a GLP activity. It would depend on the nature of the fair as well. If it is a youth career fair, then it would be good for PEO to be present to increase awareness by youth about the engineering profession. If it is one that is to showcase all the various government and community services that are available (such as the example with MPP Yvan Baker), then there is less of a linkage to PEO. It was decided that this would be considered on a case-by-case basis depending on how much opportunity for GLP involvement there was, otherwise it would be referred to the chapter to consider as a community outreach activity.

Action: Develop criteria for when PEO participates as part of GLP.

8. Next meeting and adjournment

The next GLC meeting will be held **face-to-face on Tuesday March 21st, 2017, 6:00-9:00 pm** at PEO headquarters, 40 Sheppard Ave W, Toronto.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 am.

Attachments

ESSCO update (sent separately):

OSPE will be partnering with McMaster University's Engineering Faculty to hold a panel discussion regarding engineers' role in public policy, with representative from federal, provincial and municipal levels of government.

On Feb 4th, the 2nd Annual Charity Euchre Tournament was held at University of Western Ontario. There was a three-way tie for first place and each team was able to decide whether to donate their winnings to one charity or many.