

MINUTES

GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (GLC)

Tuesday, January 19th, 2016, 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Location: PEO HQ, 40 Sheppard Ave W, 8th floor

Chair:	Darla Campbell, P.Eng.	P.Eng. active in a Riding Association
Vice Chair:	Gabe Tse, P.Eng.	GLP Chair
Members:	Ishwar Bhatia, P.Eng.	LGA Councillor
	Hafiz Bashir, P.Eng.	GLP Chair
	Bill Allison, P.Eng.	Consulting Engineers Ontario (CEO)
	Daniel King, EIT	EIT representative
	Charles Kidd, P.Eng.	Regional Councillors Committee
	Rakesh Shreewastav, P.Eng.	Engineers Canada BG&E Representative
	Michael Chan, P.Eng.	Advisory Committee – Volunteers
	Angel Serah	Student representative
Staff Advisor:	Jeannette Chau, P.Eng.	PEO Manager, Student and Government Liaison Programs
Ex-Officio:	Howard Brown	PEO Government Relations Consultant, Brown & Cohen
Regrets:	Rick Hilton, P.Eng.	LGA Councillor
	Jonathan Hack, P.Eng.	Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE)

1. Call to Order

Darla Campbell called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 pm
Hafiz Bashir was selected to be the meeting evaluator for the GLC meeting.

2. Approval of Agenda

Daniel King moved to approve the agenda. Hafiz Bashir seconded the motion. All present approved.

3. Approval of Minutes

Gabe Tse moved to approve the minutes of the GLC December 15, 2015 meeting. Hafiz Bashir seconded the motion. All present approved.

4. Outstanding business

Darla Campbell has completed the Equity and Diversity video training module.
A Briefing Note was put together for the Repeal.

5. Partner report

Engineers Canada (Rakesh Shreewastav) - Bridging Government & Engineers (BG&E) will have a Parliament Day with MPs to speak about engineers in late March or early April. They are also looking at having a version of the Engineering Games in September. As part of their ongoing initiative, several members of the BG&E committee have met with MPs to inform them of Engineers

Canada and the work they do. Rakesh Shreewastav also suggested that members of the GLC might want to

OSPE - representative not present

ESSCO (Serah Angel) – Serah Angel provided an update on ESSCO activities as follows:

The Quebec student organization is QCESO (Quebec Confederation for Engineering Student Outreach). ESSCO is hosting a delegation from McGill in the FYIC 2016 to strengthen ties between ESSCO and QCESO. They are also looking into creating an official memorandum to outline some concerns each school has. QCESO had sent one such memorandum out to the Canadian Federation of Engineering Schools (CFES) recently. ESSCO is also working with Queens University to have them become part of the council again. Finally, they are researching an effective way of implementing a Student Issues Vice President or appointed directorship to encourage a more active role for ESSCO in government and policy.

CEO (Bill Allison)

Bill Allison sent a copy of the letter that Consulting Engineers of Ontario sent to Minister McMeekin regarding the Building Code Table which was included in the GLC meeting materials.

6. GLC elections

GLC elections were held. The following positions were filled as follows:

GLC chair – Darla Campbell, P.Eng.

Vice chair – Gabe Tse, P.Eng.

Council Liaison – Ishwar Bhatia, P.Eng.

7. Sub-committee positions

- Operational Plan sub-committee – this responsibility will be rolled under the GLC chair, hence no longer require this sub-committee.
- Regulatory Issues sub-committee - Darla Campbell, Gabe Tse, Daniel King, Jonathan Hack, Bill Allison, Howard Brown. Will copy Ishwar, Rakesh on sub-committee minutes
- GLP Chair Engagement sub-committee – Gabe Tse, Hafiz Bashir, Michael Chan,
- Take Your MPP to Work Day – Hafiz Bashir, Angel Serah
- GLC Conference/Queen’s Park Day sub-committee – Gabe Tse, Angel Serah, Daniel King, Howard Brown, Jonathan Hack

Action: Sub-committees are to hold a conference call prior to the next GLC meeting, and to elect a sub-committee chair.

8. Repeal of the Industrial Exception update and discussion

A copy of the recommended Response Strategy to the cancellation of the proclamation of the Repeal of the Industrial Exception was presented for Peer Review by the GLC.

9. Regulatory Issues update

The Regulatory Issues sub-committee has submitted two GLP Info Notes to the Registrar for distribution to Council (one on Continuing Professional Development, and one on the Infrastructure Resilience Professional certification).

10. Planning for 2016

A suggestion was made to hold a joint OSPE/PEO Conference prior to the PEO Queen's Park MPP Reception. This will be brought to the Joint Relations Committee to see if there is agreement and support for this.

GLC Meeting dates

The following are the proposed GLC meeting dates for 2016.

(Teleconferences are 4:30-6:00pm; Face-to-face meetings are 6:00-9:00pm at PEO headquarters)

Jan 19 – Face-to-face

Feb 16 – Teleconference (Family day is the 15th)

March Break March 14 to 18, 2016

Mar 22 – Teleconference

Apr 19 – Face-to-face

May 17 – Teleconference

June 21 – Teleconference

July 19 - Teleconference

Aug 16 – Teleconference

Sep 20 – Face-to-face

Oct 18 – Teleconference

Oct 26 –GLP Conference/Queen's Park Day

Nov 15- Teleconference

Dec 12 – Face-to-face

11. Other business

No other business was raised.

12. Meeting evaluation

Hafiz Bashir provided an evaluation of the meeting to the GLC.

13. Next meeting and adjournment

The next GLC meeting will be via teleconference on Tuesday February 16, 2016, 4:30pm-6:00pm. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.