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GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (GLC)

Tuesday, June 21st, 2016, 4:30pm – 6:00pm

Teleconference Dial In: 1.866.512.0904 Access code: 8804517#

Chair:	Darla Campbell, P.Eng.	P.Eng. active in a Riding Association
Members:	Ishwar Bhatia, P.Eng.	LGA Councillor
	Daniel King, EIT	EIT representative
	Angel Serah	Student representative (Joined at 5pm)
Staff Advisor:	Jeannette Chau, P.Eng.	PEO Manager, Student and Government Liaison Programs
	Yourdanos Tsegay	Summer Student- SMP & GLP
Ex-Officio:	Howard Brown	PEO Government Relations Consultant, Brown & Cohen
Regrets:	Rakesh Shreewastav, P.Eng.	Engineers Canada BG&E Representative
	Rick Hilton, P.Eng.	LGA Councillor
	Gabe Tse, P.Eng.	GLP Chair
	Bill Allison, P.Eng.	Consulting Engineers Ontario (CEO)
	Jonathan Hack, P.Eng.	Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE)
	Michael Chan, P.Eng.	Advisory Committee – Volunteers

The agenda and the minutes were not approved because there were not enough members to achieve quorum.

1. Call to Order

Darla Campbell called the meeting to order at 4:36 pm.

2. Partner reports

OSPE (report sent from Jonathan Hack)

The following topics were covered:

- Current advocacy activities
- Upcoming advocacy activities

CEO (report sent from Bill Allison)

The following topics were covered:

- Provincial Cabinet shuffle
- Bill 186 - An Act to establish the Ontario Retirement Pension Plan
- Bill 201- An Act to Amend the Election Finances Act & the Taxation Act, 2007 (Political fundraising and campaign finance reform)
- Queen's Park Day
- Independent Review of the Construction Lien Act & Prompt Payment
- Bill 6 – The infrastructure for jobs & Prosperity Act
- Municipal Class Environmental Assessment System Reform

- Litigation Exclusion
- Municipal Engineers Association/Consulting Engineers of Ontario Standard Agreement
- City of Toronto – Broader Construction Association Consultation Group

ESSCO (Angel Serah)(joined at 5 pm)

No new items to report.

Engineers Canada

No new items to report. Engineers Canada BG &E representative was not present.

3. Sub-committee Reports

Regulatory Issues sub-committee (Darla Campbell)

No new issues.

GLP Chair Engagement sub-committee (Gabe Tse)

Action: GLP chair engagement call will be set up for next week by Jeannette Chau.

Take Your MPP to Work Day (Darla Campbell/Jeannette Chau)

The search for another GLP chair is in progress. When he/she is selected it is hoped that he/she will lead the Take Your MPP to Work Day subcommittee. Oakville is holding their Take Your MPP to Work Day on July 20th. Jeffery Lee has reached out to Mississauga chapter for a collaborative event at the Credit Valley Conservation (CVC) Authority. London chapter is hosting a Take Your MPP to Work Day with PC MPP Jeff Yurek. London chapter will have done three Take Your MPP to Work days after this one. A joint initiative between two chapters (York chapter and Willowdale/Thornhill chapter) with PC MPP Gila Martow, organized by Daniel Liao, P.Eng, of GLP York chapter chair & Fred Saghezchi, P.Eng GLP chair of Willowdale-Thornhill, was suggested.

Action: Jeannette Chau to reach out to York chapter and Willowdale-Thornhill chapters to suggest holding the Take Your MPP to Work Day with Gila Martow, MPP as a joint initiative.

PEO/OSPE Government Relations Conference/Queen’s Park Day –October 26, 2016 (Angel Serah)

PEO’s Queens Park MPP reception will be held after the joint PEO & OSPE conference event on October 26. During the day will be the joint conference that PEO & OSPE are hosting, and in the evening will be PEO’s MPP reception at Queen’s Park. OSPE representatives will be invited as PEO’s guests. The acceptance of the MPP speakers asked to speak at Queens Park Day should be known by the end of July. In the next couple weeks the planning committee will be working on the agenda for the day and inviting speakers.

4. Strategy - Industrial Exception Work Plan (Jeannette Chau)

The Regulatory Burden Act was tabled in the House on June 8th. After the second reading it will be sent to either the Standing committee on Finance and Economic Affairs, or the Standing committee

on Regulations and Private Bills. PEO plans to have a representative to speak at the committee hearings. Meetings with MPPs are in the progress of being set up to discuss what PEOs issues are. Guy Bonne contacted George Comrie for September. Patrick Brown has expressed interest in speaking at any event PEO is hosting. It was mentioned by Howard Brown that Steve Clark could be helpful to PEO with the repeal.

5. GLP Engagement: Measuring what we do (Darla Campbell)

The following topics were discussed during the meeting:

- What is PEO's Government Liaison Program?
- GLP Chapter Engagement
- Planning, Measurement and Reporting
- Possible Ways to Measure Engagement

Support should be provided for the chapters that have difficulties fulfilling the criteria of the GLP engagement. It was suggested that they could be partnered up with other chapters to provide support to them.

The structure of how GLP is operated needs to be re-examined and restructured so that a turnover of the GLP chairs could bring some new faces in. It was suggested that chapters could select two or three people to be nominated and PEO would select the GLP Chair from the nominations.

The measurements pilot project is now in progress with the documents going to Oakville chapter. It was suggested that for the pilot project a chapter from outside the GTA be selected, and a more remote chapter, such as Niagara, be selected. Then two to three candidates would be selected and asked to see if they are interested participating.

6. Other business

- Meetings - Steve Clark, MPP has set up a meeting with Patrick Brown for July 8th. On July 5th PEO Registrar Gerard McDonald will be meeting with Karim Bardessy from the premier's office. It was suggested that the MPPs on the committee that will be reviewing the Regulatory Burden Act be invited to a Take Your MPP to Work Day so that they have a better understanding of what PEO does.
- GLP review – the GLP Review project was awarded to Don Dickson. It is not an audit. It is an improvement exercise. The GLP review is to evaluate and determine areas that can be improved.
- GLC Meetings- the meeting for July 19th will be cancelled. It was also suggested that the GLC have a face -to- face meeting on August 16th instead of a teleconference. It will be a longer session and will look at strategy.

Action: Jeannette Chau to cancel the July 19th meeting and make arrangements for the August 16th face-to-face meeting.

7. Next meeting and adjournment

The next GLC meeting will be held face-to-face on Tuesday August 16th, 2016, 4:00pm-9:00pm. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.