



MINUTES

GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (GLC)

Tuesday, November 13, 2018, via teleconference

Attendees

Chair:	Warren Turnbull, P.Eng.	Regional Councillors Committee & Council Liaison
Vice chair:	Gabe Tse, P.Eng.	GLP Chair
Members:	Jeffrey Lee, P.Eng.	P.Eng. active in a Riding Association
	Tim Kirkby, P.Eng.	LGA Councillor
	Nick Colucci, P.Eng.	Advisory Committee Volunteer
	Arjan Arenja, P.Eng.	GLP Chair
	Angel Serah	Student representative
	Daniel King, EIT	EIT representative
	Rakesh Shreewastav, P.Eng.	Engineers Canada BG&E Representative
Ex-officio:	Howard Brown	PEO Government Relations Consultant, Brown & Cohen
Staff Advisor:	Jeannette Chau, P.Eng.	PEO Manager, Government Liaison Programs
Regrets:	Jerome James, P.Eng.	Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE)
	Christine Hill, P.Eng.	Consulting Engineers of Ontario (CEO)

1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

Warren Turnbull called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30 am.

2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Tim Kirkby moved a motion to approve the Agenda. Arjan Arenja seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tim Kirkby moved a motion to approve the Minutes of the September 25, 2018 GLC meeting. Arjan Arenja seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Action items from the last meeting were reviewed.

Still outstanding:

- Warren Turnbull to set up a meeting to look at the selection of one rep per riding.
- Jeannette Chau to investigate sources and costs for GLP shirts.
- Jerome James to provide list of OSPE PAN reps

Report from Manager, GLP Programs

- GLP meeting activity report – A GLP Activity report of the MPP meetings held year-to-date as of Oct 31st, 2018 was provided to the committee. To date there have been a total of 102

meetings/interactions with MPP meetings, mostly revolving around MPPs attending chapter events or engineers attending MPP community events.

- Take Your MPP to Work Days- Windsor chapter held a Take Your MPP to Work Day on November 7 with Taras Natyshak, MPP (Essex) at Bonduelle Canada in Tecumseh. This brings us to a total of four Take Your MPP to Work Days this year with three upcoming ones scheduled. This puts us on track to end 2018 with seven events which is on par with the previous year which also had seven Take Your MPP to Work Days. This is an excellent result considering that there was a long period where we were not able to hold any due to the provincial election. The upcoming sessions are:
 - November 16 - organized by Oakville and Mississauga chapter at the Ford Motor Plant with Stephen Crawford, MPP (Oakville), Rudy Cuzzetto, MPP (Mississauga-Lakeshore), and Effie Triantafilopoulos, MPP (Oakville North-Burlington)
 - November 16 - organized by Sudbury chapter with Jamie West, MPP (Sudbury) at XPS Expert Process Solutions
 - December 7 – organized by Chatham chapter with Rick Nicholls, MPP (Chatham-Kent-Leamington) at the Chatham South Water Treatment Plant
- Government Relations Conference/Queen’s Park Day –these items will be covered under the sub-committee reports.
- GLP Info Notes – there are no new information notes
- GLP 2019 – PEO Council will be meeting on November 16 and deciding upon the 2019 PEO Budget and GLP funding. PEO is projected to have a deficit and Council is looking at ways to manage it.

3. Report from Partners

ESSCO: Angel Serah presented an update on ESSCO activities:

- The ESSCO PEO Student Conference was held in Oshawa at UOIT on November 3-4. MPP Jennifer French was a guest speaker at the conference and spoke of the importance of engineers.
- A combined OSPE ESSCO survey was sent to all students regarding Tuition and Co-op
- OSPE & ESSCO have signed a memorandum of understanding in areas of collaboration between them.
- The ESSCO President’s meeting was held in September 14,16 in Windsor to discuss engineering student issues.
- Several engineering students attended the PEO Queen’s Park Day on October 24
- ESSCO has established an official Board of Directors consisting of existing ESSCO team members. The Board of Directors will oversee strategic planning, partnerships, and policy.
- ESSCO has launched a new semi-annual newsletter (see attachment).

Engineers Canada: Rakesh Shreewastav presented an update on Engineers Canada activities. Engineers Canada continues to make headway with bureaucracy. The Engineers Canada Parliament Hill Day may be postponed in 2019 due to it being a federal election year. Cost is also a factor in this decision. Would like to see more support for engineers running for political office as they have a role to play.

CEO: Christine Hill was not present

OSPE: Jerome James not present

4. Report from Subcommittees and Working Groups

Regulatory Issues subcommittee – Daniel King

The subcommittee held a meeting on November 6. They reviewed the regulatory issues summary from the Registrar's report. A regulatory review will be taking place at PEO. There are upcoming meetings planned for Nov 27 with President Brown and Interim Registrar Johnny Zucon with Jim McDonnell, MPP regarding the Building Code, and a meeting with Ryan Amato, Director of Operations and Public Appointments. Afterwards they will be attending the Ontario Legislative Intern Program reception. The Regulatory Issues subcommittee meets the first Tues of each month and members of the GLC are invited to attend.

Enhanced Government Outreach – the group has not met separately from the Regulatory Issues sub-committee

GLP Chair Engagement – Arjan Arenja provided an update.

There is a quarterly GLP Chair engagement call scheduled for December 5, 2018. A recap of the municipal election results, the GLP Activity report, Queen's Park Day and Government Relations conference, 2019 GLP Regional Academies and Take Your MPP to Work Days are the items on the agenda to discuss with the GLP chairs. It was suggested that the GLC talk about succession planning on the next quarterly GLP chairs call in 2019.

Government Relations Conference – Arjan Arenja

The verbal feedback received has been excellent. Many kudos. An electronic feedback survey has been sent out to all the attendees. There will be a lessons learned and post-mortem call scheduled afterwards to review. Comments received so far was that it was an amazing panel and the speakers were great.

Queen's Park Day subcommittee

The PEO Queen's Park Day was successful with approximately 40 MPPs and Ministers attending. The Engineering Games was held though it proved to be difficult once again to obtain the MPP participants. It proceeded well however.

Training Advisory group – Nick Colucci/Gabe Tse.

The Training Advisory group did not meet

Audit Implementation plan subcommittee – Warren Turnbull

The Audit Implementation plan sub-committee is no longer meeting.

5. New or other business

Strategic Plan Task Group

PEO Council will be deciding on November 16 at the PEO Council meeting which Strategic Objectives they will fund in 2019.

Chapter GLP Selection, Training, and Succession Task Force

Warren Turnbull suggested that a new Task Force be set up to look at chapter GLP rep selection, training and succession. The members of the group would consist of those who are part of the GLP Audit Implementation committee, plus any others interested. Jeffrey Lee expressed an interest in being part of this Task Force.

Suggested committee makeup - Howard, Warren, recruit some others from chapters.

Perhaps form a task force. Warren needs to go back via RCC to go back for volunteers from chapter (someone different from GLP rep) to look at how to implement.

Action: This item to be put on the agenda for discussion at the December GLC face-to-face meeting

GLC HR

Action: Please let Jeannette Chau know if you plan to step down from the committee at the end of this year.

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Change of date of December meeting

A request was made to consider changing the date of the December meeting. It was discussed, and the consensus was to keep it on that date as it was the best date for most members.

6. Next meeting and adjournment

Arjan Arenja moved a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:00 am.

The next GLC meeting will be held **face-to-face on Tuesday December 18, 2018, 6:00-9:00 pm**
Teleconference Dial In: 1.866.512.0904 Access code: 8804517#