

MINUTES GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (GLC)

Tuesday, November 15, 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:	Matthew Jelavic, P.Eng.	Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE)
	Daniel King, EIT	EIT representative
	Warren Turnbull, P.Eng.	Regional Councillors Committee
	Michael Chan, P.Eng.	Advisory Committee – Volunteers
	Angel Serah	Student representative
Staff Advisor:	Jeannette Chau, P.Eng.	PEO Manager, Student and Government Liaison Programs
Observer:	Ishwar Bhatia, P.Eng.	
Regrets:	Rakesh Shreewastav, P.Eng.	Engineers Canada BG&E Representative
	Rick Hilton, P.Eng.	LGA Councillor
	Bill Allison, P.Eng.	Consulting Engineers Ontario (CEO)
	Gabe Tse, P.Eng.	Vice chair; GLP Chair
	Howard Brown	PEO Government Relations Consultant, Brown & Cohen

1. Call to Order

Darla Campbell called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.

2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

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

There was a change to the draft Minutes to show that Michael Chan was in attendance at the last meeting. With the change, Michael Chan motioned to approve the Minutes from September 20th, 2016. Angel Serah seconded the motion. All approved.

3. Report on the Joint PEO/OSPE Government Relations Conference (October 26)

Matthew Jelavic, co-chair of the joint PEO/OSPE Government Relations Conference, gave an overview of the event. It ran smoothly and positive feedback was received. Jeannette Chau is creating a survey on Survey Monkey and will send it out to all the attendees.

Darla Campbell apprised the committee of an issue regarding the Repeal of the Industrial Exception and the confusion that people might have with other incidents such as the Nipigon Bridge collapse, that was brought up afterwards by an attendee of the conference. The issue will be forwarded back to the GLC Regulatory Issues sub-committee Action: Matthew Jelavic to hold a post-mortem call of the Government Relations Conference sub-committee to review the conference survey results, breakout session feedback, and lessons learned.

4. Report on the Queen's Park MPP reception (October 26)

Angel Serah provided an overview of the Queen's Park MPP reception held the evening of October 26, 2016. The Engineering Games were held with three teams each consisting of an engineering student, a professional engineer, and an MPP.

A GLP Certificate of Recognition for the contribution to GLP was awarded to Oakville chapter. Honourary Mention was given to Mississauga chapter.

GLP MPP Certificates of Recognition was awarded to the following MPPs: Indira Naidoo-Harris, MPP (Liberal), Jeff Yurek, MPP (PC), and Jagmeet Singh, MPP (NDP)

Michael Chan commented that during the speeches there were a number of people in the adjoining room who were not listening to the speeches. It was suggested that there be some way for them to be able to see and hear the speakers next year. Logistically there was time between the ending of the Conference at 4pm and the start of Queen's Park Day at 5pm which caused many people to be waiting in the hall in front of the rooms at Queen's Park since they arrived too early and the rooms were not ready yet. This may not be a problem next year as we may not be holding a conference then.

Action: Angel Serah to hold a post-mortem call of the Queen's Park Day sub-committee.

5. Regulatory Issues sub-committee

Daniel King provided an update on the Regulatory Issues.

6. Update on the Repeal of the Industrial Exception Work Plan

Jeannette Chau provided an update on what was happening with the Repeal of the Industrial Exception. The Burden Reduction Act has been presented for second reading and is being debated in the House. It is part of an omnibus bill and the debate could take awhile as other portions of the Act are being debated. We are monitoring.

Action: Jeannette Chau to find out the status of the Repeal of the Industrial Exception Task Force prior to the Council meeting on November 18 and to let GLC know.

7. Workshop Highlights

Daniel King provided a quick overview of the input received from the Breakout session at the Governments Relations conference. It will be reviewed in more detail during the sub-committee's post-mortem call and Daniel will organize and present it at the next GLC meeting. Action: Daniel King to organize the input received and present it at the next GLC meeting.

8. Take Your MPP to Work Day

Jeannette Chau has reached out to the various chapters identified to see if they would be willing to host a Take Your MPP to Work Day.

9. Implement GLP Engagement Scorecard

Darla Campbell will work on implementing the GLP Engagement Scorecard. It will be discussed in the upcoming quarterly GLP Chair Engagement call.

10. New or Other business

GLC Terms of Reference

Darla Campbell asked the GLC to consider removing the requirement in the GLC Terms of Reference to have a P.Eng. representative from the Engineers Canada Bridging Government and Engineers (BG&E) committee, and to instead just have a representative from Engineers Canada recommended by Engineers Canada. This would remove the requirement for the representative to be a P.Eng. and from the BG&E committee.

Warren Turnbull said he would support that position and motioned to approve changing the GLC Terms of Reference to state 'a representative from Engineers Canada recommended by Engineers Canada'. The motion was seconded by Matthew Jelavic and approved by all.

The Peer Review recommendations and recommendations from the GLP Audit Consultant report might require a change in the Terms of Reference of the GLC. The GLC will be able to determine this better after the Council meeting when the GLP Audit report is reviewed.

Partner Updates

Update from OSPE - Matthew Jelavic provided an update on OSPE activities. His report is provided as a separate attachment.

Update from ESSCO - 11 engineering students, including four ESSCO executives, attended the PEO Queen's Park MPP reception. Feedback from the ESSCO executives indicated that they were happy to have attended the Queen's Park Reception and thought it was a good event.

Next meeting and adjournment

The next GLC meeting will be held face-to-face on Tuesday December 13th, 2016,6:00-9:00pm. There will be a Brown & Cohen PEO Appreciation Holiday reception prior to it from 4:00-6:00pm in the 8th floor dining room.

Michael Chan motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Daniel King. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.