

# **MINUTES**

## **GOVERNMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE (GLC)**

Tuesday, February 17th, 2015, 7:30am - 9:00am

Teleconference Dial In: 1.866.512.0904 Access code: 1855032#

Chair: Darla Campbell, P.Eng. P.Eng. active in a Riding Association (confirmed)

Vice Chair: Gabe Tse, P.Eng. GLP Chair (confirmed)

Members: Jonathan Hack, P.Eng. Ontario Society of Professional Engineers

Ishwar Bhatia, P.Eng. LGA Councillor

Hafiz Bashir, P.Eng. GLP Chair (confirmed)

Bill Allison Consulting Engineers Ontario (confirmed)
Charles Kidd, P.Eng. Regional Councillors Committee (confirmed)

Bernie Ennis, P.Eng. Ontario Centre for Engineering Public Policy (OCEPP)(confirmed)

Michael Chan, P.Eng. Advisory Committee – Volunteers (confirmed)

Angel Serah Student representative (confirmed)

Ex-officio: Howard Brown PEO Government Relations Consultant, Brown & Cohen
Staff Advisor: Jeannette Chau, P.Eng. PEO Manager, Student and Government Liaison Programs
Staff Coordinator: PEO Coordinator, Student and Government Liaison Programs

Regrets: Rick Hilton, P.Eng. LGA Councillor

Rakesh Shreewastav, P.Eng. Engineers Canada Representative

#### 1. Call to Order

Darla Campbell called to order at approximately 7:30 am

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

Ishwar Bhatia moved to approve the agenda. Charles Kidd seconded the motion. All present approved.

#### 3. Approval of Minutes

Gabe Tse moved to approve the minutes of the GLC January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting. Bernie Ennis seconded the motion. All present approved.

#### 4. Election of GLC Council Liaison

Ishwar Bhatia was nominated by Charles Kidd. Michael Chan seconded the motion. Ishwar Bhatia accepted and all present approved. Ishwar Bhatia was elected as the GLC Council Liaison.

## 5. Review of GLC Committee and task forces report

Darla Campbell will draft it and email it to the GLC for review in the next couple of days.

Action Item: Darla Campbell to draft and share Review of GLC Committee and task forces report.

#### 6. 2015 GLP Training Plan Review

Jeannette Chau shared with the committee the initiatives that are taking place with GLP materials: GLP Handbook Update, Development of Regional Academies Training Material, and new this year a GLP training module to be posted on the GLP website.

#### 7. 2015 GLC Sub-committees

Gonzalo Piñeros informed GLC members that all Sub-committees have met and three out of the four sub-committees have elected a chair. The 2015 GLC Operational Plan sub-committee also worked on this year's Operational Plan and Michael Chan explained it to the GLC committee.

2015 GLC Operational Plan sub-committee Chair: Michael Chan

Regulatory Issues sub-committee Chair: TBD

GLP Chair engagement sub-committee Chair: Gabe Tse

Take your MPP to Work Day sub-committee Chair: Hafiz Bashir

**Action item:** Jeannette Chau to invite GLC members to join subcommittees and chair the Regulatory Issues Sub-committee

### 8. 2015 GLC Meeting Schedule

Ishwar Bhatia moved to approve the proposed GLC meeting schedule. Hafiz Bashir seconded the motion. All present approved.

#### 9. GLP update

Howard Brown updated the GLC on the upcoming GLP Academies. Letters are being sent to Jim Wilson, MPP (Simcoe-Grey) and Ann Hoggarth, MPP (Barrie) to invite them to the Western GLP Academy on June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Gilles Bisson, MPP (Timmins-James Bay) has been confirmed for the Northern GLP Academy on June 6<sup>th</sup> in Timmins.

#### 10. Partner report

**OSPE:** OSPE made a submission on procurement process to Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure Brad Duguid, (MPP Scarborough Centre).

OSPE is holding a Town Hall in Toronto on February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and CEO Sandro Perruzza will be presenting OSPE's new strategic plan.

**ESSCO:** The Ryerson University Student Engineering Society has decided to cancel their initiative to host a Queen's Park like event this year due to other regional engineering events being held Ryerson this year; the Queens Park like event may take place next year

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**CEO**: CEO recently made a presentation and submission to the Government's Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs regarding the upcoming budget.

CEO will focus on ensuring its voice is heard during the review of the Construction Lien Act.

CEO is working both with, and separately from, the Construction and Design Alliance of Ontario (CDAO) with the Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure to forge a better working relationship with Infrastructure Ontario. CEO has been invited by the Minister to work with his staff on the wording of Bill 6 – The Infrastructure for Jobs and Prosperity Act.

CEO and CDAO have spoken to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change about streamlining the Environmental Assessment and the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment processes to lessen their negative impact on construction project cost and scheduling.

CEO is working with its Ottawa Chapter to conduct a City Hall Lobby Day.

#### 11. Other business

No other business was raised.

## 12. Next meeting

The next meeting will be on Tuesday April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015 at 6:00pm – 9:00 pm Face-to-Face at PEO's headquarters. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 am.