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PEO YORK CHAPTER HAS PRODUCTIVE MEETING WITH MINISTER



Hon. **Michael Tibollo**, MPP (Vaughan—Woodbridge) (right), Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions met virtually with PEO York Chapter's GLP rep **Salvatore Distefano**, EIT (left) and GLP Chair **Reza Mahmoudipour**, P.Eng. (centre) on February 4.

Hon. **Michael Tibollo**, MPP (Vaughan—Woodbridge), Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions met virtually with PEO York Chapter on February 4.

The purpose of the meeting was to introduce **Salvatore Distefano**, EIT as the Chapter GLP Rep for Minister Tibollo's riding.

Also participating in the meeting were GLP Chair **Reza Mahmoudipour**, P.Eng. and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

Mr. Distefano discussed with the Minister PEO's mandate and the role of the different engineering organizations.

Minister Tibollo, who was elected to the Ontario Legislature in 2018, spoke at a Chapter licence certificate ceremony shortly after his election. He said he very much enjoyed his experience and would like to do more events with the Chapter including a Take Your MPP to Work Day.

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LIST OF GLP REPS NOW AVAILABLE ON PEO WEBSITE

Y	Bob Radenovic	John Yakabuski	Algonquin
	Ravinder Panesar		Brampton
Y	Usman Jamil	Kevin Yarde	Brampton
Υ	Vishnal Sharma	Gurrantan Singh	Brampton
Y	Indra Maharjan	Amarjot Sandhu	Brampton
Y	Sunpreet Singh Ghangas	Sylvia Jones	Brampton
Y	Vivek Somasundaram	Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria	Brampton
Υ	Pankaj Maradiya	Sara Singh	Brampton
Y	Lalita Bharatula	Will Bouma	Brantford
Y	Lawrence Drebert	Toby Barrett	Brantford

The PEO website features an updated list of the 2022 Government Liaison Program (GLP) Reps. These are the new Chapter Reps for the Algonquin, Brampton and Brantford Chapters.

A list of the 2022 Government Liasion Program (GLP) Reps is now available on the PEO website.

The GLP page also features links to past *GLP Weekly Times* newsletters and resources for Chapters including:

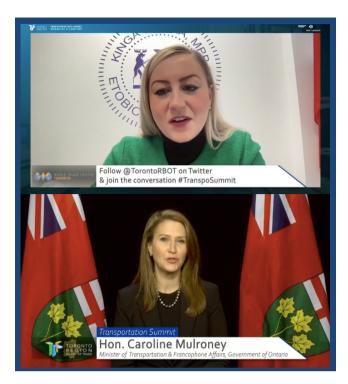
- A list of chapter ridings
- GLP Chapter manual
- Lists of current MPPs, Ministers, Parliamentary Assistants and Opposition Critics
- The 2021 Training Certification presentation
- GLP information notes
- And more

PEO Council created the GLP in 2005. The program positions PEO at the table with legislators to solve public interest issues related to professional engineering.

PEO wants decision-makers to take advantage of engineering talent to solve public interest issues and participate in the formation of good public policy.

Click here to view the GLP web page.

MINISTERS ADDRESS TRANSPORTATION SUMMIT



Minister of Transportation Hon. Caroline
Mulroney, MPP (York-Simcoe) (bottom row) and
Minister of Infrastructure Hon. Kinga Surma, MPP
(Etobicoke Centre) (top row) were keynote
speakers at the Toronto Region Board of Trade
Annual Transportation Summit on
February 3.



PEO York Chapter GLP Rep **Dale Kerr**, P.Eng. (right), met with Minister Mulroney (left) on December 3, 2021.

PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown** attended the virtual Toronto Region Board of Trade Annual Transportation Summit *AHEAD BY A CENTURY: Inspiring the Next Generation of Transportation* on February 3.

Speakers included Minister of Transportation Hon. **Caroline Mulroney**, MPP (York-Simcoe) and Minister of Infrastructure Hon. **Kinga Surma**, MPP (Etobicoke Centre).

Minister Mulroney has been a long-time supporter of the Government Liasion Program (GLP).

She met with PEO leadership shortly after she was elected in 2018 in her capacity as then Attorney General and recently met with PEO York Chapter GLP Rep **Dale Kerr** on December 3, 2021.

Former PEO President **George Comrie**, P.Eng. is the GLP Rep for Minister Surma and has spoken with her on many occasions.

MEET YOUR MPPS

This week, the GLP Weekly Times features Hon. **Lisa MacLeod**, MPP (Nepean), Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries and **Jill Andrew**, MPP (Toronto—St. Paul's), NDP Critic for Culture and Heritage and Women's Issues.

HON. LISA MACLEOD, MPP



Hon. **Lisa MacLeod**, MPP (Nepean)

Hon. **Lisa MacLeod**, MPP (Nepean) was first elected to the Ontario Legislature in 2006.

She has served as the Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries since 2019. Minister MacLeod previously served as the Minister of Children, Community and Social Services and Women's Issues.

Prior to her election, she worked as an assistant to Ottawa City Councillor **Jan Harder** and as a riding assistant to **Pierre Poilievre**, MP (Carleton).

She has a political science degree from Francis Xavier University. Minister MacLeod has met with PEO license holders at events in Ottawa and also at the Annual Afternoon in the Islands held by Hon. **Steve Clark**, MPP (Leeds—Grenville—Thousand Islands and Rideau Lakes), Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

JILL ANDREW, MPP

Jill Andrew, MPP (Toronto—St. Paul's) was first elected to the Ontario Legislature in 2018.

She is the NDP Critic for Culture and Heritage and Women's Issues.

MPP Andrew is the Co-Founder of Body Confidence Canada Awards and is a community co-owner of Glad Day Bookshop. She holds a PhD from York University's Faculty of Education and a Master's degree in women and gender studies from the University of Toronto New College.



Jill Andrew, MPP (Toronto—St. Paul's)

MPP Andrew met with PEO licence holders prior to her election at a Professional Engineers Government of Ontario (PEGO) meeting.

PEO COUNCIL ELECTIONS VOTING CLOSES NEXT FRIDAY

PEO is holding its annual Council elections and voting closes February 18. A total of 17 candidates have put their names forward for eight positions. Three Regional Councillor positions were acclaimed. Voting is open to all PEO licence holders and can be done easily online. Click here to vote.

PRESIDENT-ELECT CANDIDATES



Darla Campbell, P.Eng.



Roydon Fraser, P.Eng.



Marilyn Spink, P.Eng.

VICE PRESIDENT CANDIDATES



Michael Chan, P.Eng.



Greg Wowchuk, P.Eng.

COUNCILLOR-AT-LARGE CANDIDATES



Vajahat (Vaj) Banday P.Eng.



Chantal Chiddle, P.Eng



Daniel Lam, P.Eng.



David Lapp, P.Eng.

REGIONAL COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES

NORTHERN REGION COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES



Agnes Krawczyk, P.Eng.



Dana Montgomery, P.Eng.



Luc Roberge, P.Eng.

WESTERN REGION COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES



Vicki Hilborn, P.Eng.



Wayne Kershaw, P.Eng.

ACCLAIMED CANDIDATES

WEST CENTRAL REGION COUNCILLOR



Pappur Shankar, P.Eng.

EASTERN REGION COUNCILLOR



Tim Kirkby, P.Eng.

EAST CENTRAL REGION COUNCILLOR



David Kiguel, P.Eng.

Good luck to all the candidates. Everyone is encouraged to watch the online all candidates meetings which were conducted <u>on January 4, 5 and 6.</u> PEO members are encouraged to stay informed, and vote!

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MPP Wynne is a longtime supporter of PEO and the chapter.

She spoke about the importance of government liaison activities as part of PEO's regulatory role and her positive perception of the work of PEO's Government Liaison Program (GLP).

East Central Region Councillor **Christopher Chahine**, P.Eng. also spoke at the event.

Also attending were PEO President **Christian Bellini**, P.Eng., Council candidates and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

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GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS to PEO Mississauga Chapter's **Elena Clarridge**, P.Eng. for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

Question: Which MPP did PEO Brampton Chapter meet with on January 21, as reported in the January 28 issue of the *GLP Weekly Times?*

Answer: Solicitor General **Sylvia Jones**, MPP (Dufferin—Caledon)

This week's question: Which MPP sent greetings for PEO Peterborough Chapter's Annual General Meeting on January 31 as reported in the February 4 issue of the *GLP Weekly Times*?



Elena Clarridge, P.Eng. is the winner of last issue's trivia contest.

Join the Contest: Test your knowledge of the GLP Weekly Times with our weekly trivia question! Send your answers to Emily Binkley at emily@brown-cohen.com by Monday, February 14. You may only win once in a four-week span.

UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

February 16 from 7 to 9 AM - Belleville Business Chamber Breakfast with Hon. Todd Smith (Bay of Quinte), Minister of Energy. Non-member tickets are \$40. To register, click here.

February 24 from 7:30 to 9 AM – Brampton Board of Trade Presents in Conversation with the Leaders: Mike Schreiner, MPP (Guelph), Green Party. Non-member tickets are \$39. To register, click here.

February 25 from 7:30 to 10 AM - Chamber of Commerce Brantford-Brant Annual MP & MPP Breakfast with Will Bouma, MPP (Brantford-Brant), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Finance and Larry Brock, MP (Brantford Brant). Nonmember tickets are \$55 and virtual tickets are \$20. To register, click here.

*CORRECTION: The February 4 issue of the GLP Weekly Times incorrectly identified Karanjeet Singh, P.Eng. as PEO Mississauga Chapter Chair. Pappur Shankar, P.Eng. is the Chapter Chair. Mr. Shankar is the acclaimed candidate for West Central Region Councillor..

Through the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO governs over 90,000 licence and certificate holders and regulates and advances engineering practice in Ontario to protect the public interest. Professional engineering safeguards life, health, property, economic interests, the public welfare, and the environment.

Past issues are available on the PEO Government Liaison Program (GLP) website at https://www.peo.on.ca/index.php/aboutpeo/glp-weekly-newsletter

Deadline for submissions is the Thursday of the week prior to publication. The next issue will be published on February 18, 2022.

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