

# **GLP WEEKLY TIMES**

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PEO CEO Registrar Jennifer Quaglietta, P.Eng. (middle) led a delegation to the Engineers Canada meetings in May in Halifax where she updated other engineering regulators across the country on PEO's important initiatives. In this photo, she was joined by (left to right) Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) CEO Sandro Peruzza, OSPE President and Chair
Stephanie Holko, P.Eng., PEO Councillor Arjan Arenja, P.Eng., former PEO President Christian Bellini, P.Eng., PEO Councillor Tim Kirkby, P.Eng. and PEO Vice-President of Policy and Governance, and Chief Legal Counsel Dan Abrahams.

# **PEO MOVES FORWARD ON IMPORTANT INITIATIVES**

(HALIFAX) - PEO has been moving forward on a number of important initiatives over the past two months. In Halifax, at the Engineers Canada meeting, a PEO delegation discussed the future of regulation across Canada, with a focus on continued collaboration and cooperation. For more on this and other stories, see inside.

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# MANDATORY PEAK PROGRAM TOPS 70 PER CENT PARTICIPATION

INDIVIDUALS WHO	AT THE END OF JANUARY 31, 2023	AT THE END OF MAY 17, 2023
Complied so far by completing their first two PEAK elements	59% 67%	70%
Are working towards compliance (started PEAK but not yet completed their first two elements)	8%	7%
Have not yet started PEAK this year	33%	23%
Declared as "practising"	77%	76%
Declared as "not practising"	23%	24%
Already completed their CPD Report (if this element applies)	not available	8%

#### 2023 PEAK completion up to May 17

As reported in GLP Weekly Times past issues, all PEO licence holders are required to complete the mandatory Continuing Professional Development (PEAK) program this year.

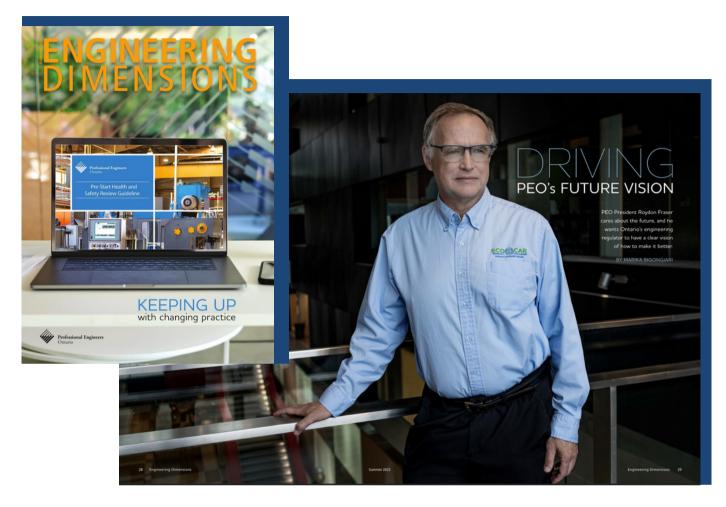
More than 77 per cent of PEO members have completed or are working to complete the first two sections of the mandatory program at the time of writing.

Engagement activities are planned throughout the rest of the year to support the 23 per cent of applicants who have not yet begun the PEAK program.

For further information, see pages 80 and 81 of the 558th PEO Council agenda

**PEO NEWS** 

# PEO PRESIDENT INTERVIEW FEATURED IN ENGINEERING DIMENSIONS MAGAZINE



As mentioned in last week's issue of *GLP Weekly Times*, PEO President **Roydon Fraser**, P.Eng., was featured in a cover story in *Engineering Dimensions* on his goals to align the regulating body as a forward-thinking, inclusive organization.

President Fraser's article offers insight into his views on the responsibility of PEO to provide oversight of new disciplines, and the benefits such a shift could have for the public interest for years to come.

To read the article, <u>click here.</u>

Right: President Fraser confers with nanotechnology engineering co-op student Annabelle Wicentowich at the University of Waterloo's Sedra Student Design Centre



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#### **PEO MOVES FORWARD ON IMPORTANT INITIATIVES**



PEO representatives at the Engineers Canada annual meeting on May 23.

**Tracey Caruana**, P.Eng., PEO's manager of engineering intern programs, and 30 by 30 representative, addressed attendees at the Engineers Canada annual meeting in May about PEO's ongoing efforts to support achieving the initiative's goal of having 30 per cent female engineering licencees by 2030.

Attendees also had the opportunity to hear from speakers on diversity, equity, inclusion, belonging and accessibility (DEIBA).

"Participants were challenged with important takeaways to measure and define where they are in the DEIBA process and be intentional and bold in continuing to create space for others," PEO CEO Registrar **Jennifer Quaglietta**, P.Eng., told PEO Council on June 23.

For a full copy of her report, please see page 74 to 88 of the report of the 558th meeting of PEO Council.

PEO Eastern Region Councillor **Tim Kirkby**, P.Eng., delivered remarks at the Engineers Canada President's Meeting on behalf of President **Roydon Fraser** in Halifax in May.



# **KNOW YOUR MPPS**

This week, the PEO *GLP Weekly Times* features **Robin Martin** (Eglinton—Lawrence) and **Peter Tabuns** (Toronto—Danforth) so PEO licence holders can get to know their representatives. For a full list of MPPs, click <u>here</u>.

# **ROBIN MARTIN (EGLINTON—LAWRENCE)**

MPP Martin was first elected in the 2018 provincial election and was re-elected in 2022 as a Progressive Conservative.

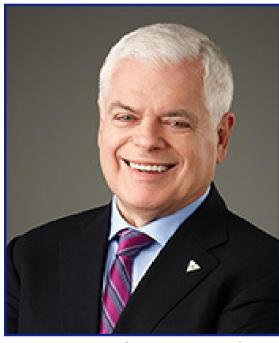
She currently serves as Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and is also a Member of the Standing Committee on Social Policy. She had a chance to hold a 20-minute discussion with PEO West Toronto GLP Chair **Yehuda Adams**, P.Eng., at her annual constituency barbecue last summer.

She holds a Bachelor of Law from the University of Toronto and a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts from McGill University.



Robin Martin (Eglinton—Lawrence)

## PETER TABUNS (TORONTO—DANFORTH)



MPP Tabuns was first elected in 2006 provincial byelection as a New Democrat and was re-elected in 2007, 2011, 2014, 2018 and 2022. He currently serves Official Opposition's critic on Energy and the Climate Crisis, and previously served as his Party's interim leader from 2022 to 2023.

MPP Tabuns regularly participates in the PEO East Toronto Chapter's licensure ceremonies and other activities.

He holds a Political Science degree from York University.

Peter Tabuns (Toronto—Danforth)

#### **GLP TRIVIA CONTEST**

Congratulations to former PEO Councillor and Willowdale-Thornhill Chapter member **Roger Jones**, P.Eng., for being the first to submit the correct answer to last week's trivia question.

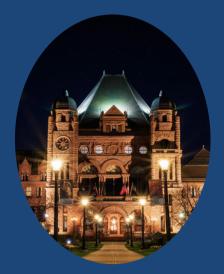
Last week's question: What is the name of the Act that the Ontario Government introduced that enhances the ability of internationally educated engineering graduates to be licensed in Ontario? It was introduced in the Fall of 2021.

Answer: Fair Access to Regulated Professions and Compulsory Trades Act (FARPACTA). This week's question: What is the date of the upcoming provincial by-elections in Scarborough-Guildwood and Kanata-Carleton?



Test your knowledge of the GLP Weekly Times with our trivia contest!

Send your answers to **Howard Brown** at <u>howard@brown-cohen.com</u> by Monday, July 24. You may only win once in a four-week span.



### WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF PEO GOVERNMENT LIAISON PROGRAM?

The goals of PEO's Government Liaison Program (GLP) are:

- To ensure that the government, PEO licence holders and the public continue to recognize its regulatory mandate, in particular its contributions to maintaining the highest level of professionalism among engineers working in the public interest.
- To have the government view PEO as a partner and understand and support PEO's policy direction.

Through the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO governs more than 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 Thursday the week prior to publication. Our next issue is July 28.

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