

Minutes of the CGU Annual General Business Meeting

Monday May 12, 2008, Summit Room, Banff Park Lodge

Meeting called to order at 18:00 by John Pomeroy (CGU President).

Attendance List:

John Pomeroy, Masaki Hayashi (secretary), Jim Buttle, Brian Branfireun, Dan Peters, Gary Jarvis, Phil McCausland, Rod Blais, Rich Rothwell, Dirk de Boer, Nigel Roulet, Michael Sideris, Scott Munro, Kaz Adamowski, Chris Spence, Panagiotis Vergados, Shu Du, Spiros Pagiatakis, Marcelo Santos, Tali Neta, Garth van der Kamp, Marc Veronneau, Brian Moorman, Greg MacCulloch, Bill Petrachenko, Josef Henton, Herb Dragert, Dave Bowen, Rich Petrone, Sean Carey, Frereidoun Rezanezhed, Gary Clarke, April James, Ilya Tromp-van Meerveld, Patrick Wu, Ed Krebes, Ed Johnson, Hand F. Mueller, John Diiwu, Sarah Boon, Robin Thorn, Robert Armstrong, Ian Ferguson, Fiona Darbyshire, Sam Butler, Shawn Marshall, Robert Kingdon, David Avalos, Ming-Ko Woo, Dan Moore

1. Minutes of the May 30, 2007 Business Meeting

Motion: Dan Moore moved that the Minutes be accepted, seconded by Hok Woo, carried.

2. Appointment of Auditors:

Motion: Gary Jarvis moved that van Berkom & Ritz, Chartered Accountants located in the City of Ottawa be appointed auditors for the Canadian Geophysical Union; seconded by Nigel Roulet, carried.

3. Treasurer's Report:

Kathy Young presented a summary report of the financial state of the CGU as of December 31, 2007. The report will be published in the July issue of Elements. Young reported on the audit status and told the members that the CGU Executive intends to recruit two volunteers from the CGU members to form an audit committee. John Pomeroy thanked Young for the outstanding service to the CGU, this was seconded by Brian Branfireun.

Motion: Rich Petrone moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted; seconded by Marcelo Santos, carried.

4. Canadian National Committee for the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (CNC-IUGG)

Zoltan Hajnal, the Chair of CNC-IUGG presented a brief summary of the activity of CNC-IUGG. CNC-IUGG is required to submit annual report every year to National Research Council. Hajnal encouraged the CGU members to contribute to the annual report. Gary Jarvis thanked Hajnal and Pomeroy for their efforts in invigorating CNC-IUGG.

5. Canadian Societies for Geophysical Sciences (CSGS)

John Pomeroy presented a brief summary of CSGS, which currently consists of the CGU and the Canadian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society (CMOS).

6. Future CGU Meetings (2009 and 2010)

Pomeroy reported on future meetings. The 2009 meeting will be held in Toronto, May 22-28, joint with the American Geophysical Union, Geological Association of Canada, Mineralogical Association of Canada, and the Canadian National Chapter of the International Association of Hydrogeologists. The 2010 meeting will be held in Ottawa, May 30 - June 5, joint with CMOS. The CGU is discussing a possibility of joint meeting with the Canadian Soil Science Society in 2011.

7. New Section Proposals

Pomeroy reported the progresses in the planning of Solid Earth Section and Biogeoscience Section. Nigel Roulet made an announcement about the town-hall meeting on the proposed Biogeoscience Section on May 13. Philip McCausland passed around a sign-up sheet for the proposed Solid Earth Geophysics Section.

8. Election of the Board of Directors and Executive Officers

Incorporation regulations require the election of four members to the Board of Directors each year. The CGU membership elects the Board every year, and the Board then appoints the CGU Executive. The regular ticket slate announced to the members was:

John Pomeroy (President)

Spiros Pagiatakis (Vice-President)

Masaki Hayashi (Secretary)

Kathy Young (Treasurer)

Motion: Hok Woo moved that the slate for the Board of Directors consisting of Pomeroy, Pagiatakis, Hayashi, and Young be approved, seconded by Philip McCausland, carried.

9. Adjournment

Motion: Hok Woo moved that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Dan Moore, carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 19:05.