

MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION OF THE SECOND MEETING OF THE 2008/2009 COUNCIL of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia, held on FEBRUARY 6, 2009 in the APEGBC LARGE BOARDROOM and by WEBCAST/TELECONFERENCE

**Present**

<b>Council</b>	Margaret Li, Ph.D., P.Eng..	- President (Chair)
	Janet Benjamin, P.Eng.*	- Past President
	Russ Kinghorn, P.Eng.*	- Vice-President
	Matt Cameron, P.Eng.*	- Councillor
	Emily Cheung, P.Eng.	- Councillor
	Lee Failing, P.Eng.*	- Councillor
	Joan Hansen, OD*	- Councillor
	Jeff Holm, P.Eng.*	- Councillor
	Philippe Kruchten, Ph.D., P.Eng.	- Councillor
	Joe Martignago	- Councillor
	Claudia Ng, P.Eng.*	- Councillor
	Marilyn Pattison, Ph.D.*	- Councillor
	Glen Singleton, Ph.D., P.Geo.*	- Councillor
	Kevin Turner, P.Eng.*	- Councillor
	Mike Waberski, BCLS*	- Councillor
	Mike Wrinch, Ph.D., P.Eng.	- Councillor
<b>Guest</b>	Bob Ito, Ph.D., P.Eng.	-Engineers Canada Director
<b>Staff</b>	Derek Doyle, P.Eng., MBA	- Executive Director & Registrar
	Shirley Chow	-Professional Development Coordinator
	Jacques Granadino, P.Eng.	- Assoc. Director, Internship & Licensing
	Peter Mitchell, P.Eng.	- Director, Professional Standards and Development
	Deesh Olychik	- Associate Director, Member Services
	Tim O'Meara, P.Eng.	- Associate Director, Professional Practice and Ethics
	Gillian Pichler, P.Eng.	- Director, Registration & Licensing
	Janet Sinclair*	- Director, Communications & Engagement
	Peter So, CMA	- Assoc. Director, Finance & IT
	Geoff Thiele, LLB	-Director, Investigation & Discipline
	Nick Tochev	-Manager, Information Systems
	Fred Wylie, CGA, CMA, CHRP	- Director, Internal Affairs
<b>Regrets</b>	Mike Bapty, PEng	- Councillor
	Bob Patrick, P.Eng.	- Councillor

\* *Denotes attendances by webcast/teleconference*

CO-09-21     OPEN CONSENT AGENDA

Council was given an opportunity to remove items from the Open Consent agenda. One item was removed for discussion (see CO-09-23-1 below).

**MOTION     It was moved and seconded that all items on the Open Consent Agenda be approved. CARRIED**

Motions approved by Open Consent Agenda:

- MOTION that Council ratify the decisions of the Executive Committee: 1. to consent to the name the Iranian Engineers of British Columbia Association on the conditions set out in the attached MOA; and 2. that the Association enter into the attached MOA.
- MOTION: Council directs staff to publish the annual report in its current format without a separate addendum report for committees, task forces, boards and branch reports.
- MOTION: Council directs staff to develop a forum for the APEGBC website if resources are made available through an increase in the member fee.
- MOTION that the recommended appointments to APEGBC Committees be approved with the addition of Scott Martin, P.Ge. to the Climate Change Task Force.

<b>Individual</b>	<b>APEGBC Committee or Task Force</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>Expiry Date</b>
Alexander (Alistair) Black, P.Eng.	Discipline Committee	Feb 6, 2009	Feb 9, 2011
S. Neil Ferguson, P.Eng.	Consulting Practice Committee (CEBC Representative)	Feb 6, 2009	Feb 9, 2011
Andrew J. Mill, P.Eng., Struct.Eng.	Practice Review Committee	Feb 6, 2009	Feb 9, 2011
Robert W. Neville, P.Eng., Struct.Eng.	Structural Qualifications Board	Feb 6, 2009	Feb 9, 2011

CO-09-22     OPEN REGULAR AGENDA

**MOTION     It was moved and seconded to approve the Open Regular Agenda. CARRIED.**

CO-09-23 ITEMS REMOVED FROM OPEN CONSENT AGENDA

CO-09-23-1 DECEMBER 5, 2008 OPEN SESSION MINUTES

**MOTION** It was moved and seconded that the December 5, 2008 Open Session minutes be approved with the following modification:

**CO-09-11 SUCCESSION PLAN FOR THE  
RECRUITMENT/NOMINATING PROCESS FOR COUNCIL**

Council reviewed the plan and provided the feedback to Tim Smith, P.Geo., Eng.L. Chair, for the consideration of the Nomination Task Force:...

12. Council did not feel that it is appropriate to elect the President and Vice-President due to the major time commitment needed to take on these positions and the concern that a person so elected may not be able to make the time commitment required. ... CARRIED

CO-09-24 BYLAW 10(b)(1): ANNUAL FEE

The question of what percentage of core programs are funded from member fees was raised. The Executive Director & Registrar advised Council that this, and other questions on revenues and expenditures will be posted in an FAQ for the members. It was also clarified that the Engineers Canada campaign had been included in the budget scenario that anticipates a fee increase.

**MOTION** It was moved, seconded and carried that bylaw 10(b)(1) be amended to read, "The amount of the annual fee for registered members shall be \$335."  
**CARRIED**

CO-09-25 NOMINATION TASK FORCE REPORT

**MOTION** It was moved and seconded that the report of the Nomination Task Force be received. **CARRIED**

**MOTION** It was moved and seconded that the report of the Nomination Task Force be referred to the Governance Committee for consideration, with the amendment from the December 5, 2008 minutes and the removal of Item 4 on the Watch List;

A straw vote was held on the question, "Do you think that the president (and vice-president) should be elected by Council?" The results were 8 No, 4 Yes, 1  
NOMINATION TASK FORCE REPORT cont'd

abstention. It was clarified that Council would not necessarily elect one from among its own. The question was also raised as to what problem the Task Force is trying to solve by having Council elect the President and Vice-President.

**MOTION It was moved and seconded that the Nomination Task Force be dissolved, with thanks to its members. CARRIED**

CO-09-26 INFORMATION ITEMS

- Report of the Council Working Group re: Review of 2009 Annual Conference Special Guest List
  - o Councillors to discuss at branches and gauge feedback
  - o Decision to be made in March, after which locked in for budget and AGM
  - o Contact Janet Sinclair with comments/concerns
  - o Effectiveness of Branch Reps meetings in question
- Financial Report
  - o 2009-10 Budget Planning Schedule
- Top 40 Employers of APEGBC Members from APEGBC Database
- PNWER Report
- Induction Ceremony
  - o of great value; critical to professional renewal
  - o \$8,000 out of pocket; 63 of 240 invitees attended; total attendance 150
  - o well worth the money in comparison to cost of branch dinner meeting presentations, complimentary AGM attendance
  - o councilors would like to attend so do not schedule before webcast meeting
- Mineral Exploration Roundup
- Permission from VANOC to publish articles about Olympic projects as long as focus is engineers/geoscientists and projects and not companies.

**END OF OPEN SESSION**

## MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND GEOSCIENTISTS OF  
THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

AND

THE IRANIAN ENGINEERS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA ASSOCIATION

### WHEREAS

The Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of the Province of British Columbia (APEGBC) and the Iranian Engineers of British Columbia Association (IEBCA) have common goals regarding:

- the establishment and expansion of relationships with professional communities;
- the facilitation and promotion of professional development and networking opportunities for their members;
- the promotion of the skills, knowledge and talent of their mutual members;
- the provision of information and guidance to internationally trained engineers to promote their integration into the profession of engineering in British Columbia;

### THEREFORE

APEGBC's Council has agreed to permit the use of the words 'engineer' and 'association' in the IEBCA's name, on the following conditions:

IEBCA will:

- A. ensure that its members trained in engineering:
  1. are registered with APEG BC (PEng, EIT, Provisional Member);
  2. have Qualifications assessed and approved by the CCPE Initial Assessment or EIEAP program; or
  3. possess a bachelor's degree or higher in an engineering discipline and have a minimum of four years of experience.
- B. ensure that its members trained in engineering have signed an undertaking acknowledging that:
  1. they understand and agree to abide by the Prohibition on Practice, and all other provisions in the Engineers and Geoscientists Act; and
  2. if they are not a member of APEGBC, they will apply for membership with APEGBC as soon as they are employed in a supervised engineering capacity.
- C. provide, in a prominent place on its website, appropriate disclaimers and explanations as to its role versus that of APEGBC, with Prohibition on Practice information displayed, and appropriate links to APEGBC's website;

- D. recognize the legislated mandate of APEGBC; and will not represent itself, nor permit its members to represent it in any way that can lead the public to assume that all of IEBCA's members are Professional Engineers or members of APEGBC, or that IEBCA is in any way responsible for the qualification, certification or regulation of engineers in British Columbia; and
- E. in order to reduce potential confusion of the two organisations' names and roles, restrict the use of its full legal name to those situations where it is required by law and will otherwise refer to itself as the Iranian Engineers of BC or IEBCA.

This Memorandum of Agreement represents a commitment by APEGBC and IEBCA to work in good faith to support each other's goals and mandates.

This Memorandum of Agreement will be reviewed every three years by APEGBC and IEBCA and may be terminated by either party at any time

SIGNED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009

on behalf of APEGBC by:

on behalf of IEBCA by:

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Dr. Margaret Li, P.Eng.  
President, APEGBC

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Saeed Hessami, P.Eng.  
Treasurer, IEBCA