



SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

October 5, 2023
3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Microsoft Teams
Edmonton, AB

MINUTES

Council Executive:

Manon Plante, CD1, P.Eng., MDS – President
Tracey Stock, KC, FEC, PEng, PhD – President Elect
Margaret Allan, FGC, FEC, P.Eng., P.Geo., MEng – Vice President

Councillors:

Mihaela Ciulei, P.Eng. PMP, MEng
Claudia Gomez-Villeneuve, FEC, FGC (Hon), P.Eng. PMP, DTM, MEng
Lorna Harron, P.Eng., MEng, MBA
Ken Hawrelko, FEC, P.Eng., MEng
Geoffrey Kneller, CD, FEC, P.Eng., MBA
Wally Kozak, P.Eng.
Seema Makwana, P. Eng.
Dean Mullin, P.Eng., PhD
Jeffrey Priest, P.Eng., PhD
Wendy Shier, P.Geo., MSc
Devarsh Sood, P.Eng., PMP
Jason Vanderzwaag, FEC, P.Eng., LEED AP, PMP, MASc

Directors:

Darcie Greggs, FGC, FEC (Hon), P.Geol., PhD
Natasha Avila, P.Eng.

Regrets:

Lisa Doig, FEC, FGC (Hon.), P.Eng., MBA – Past President
Mary Phillips-Rickey, FCPA, FCA

Staff:

Jay Nagendran, FCAE, FEC, FGC (Hon.), P.Eng., ICD.D, Registrar & CEO
John Corriveau, P.Eng., Acting RCEO, Deputy Registrar & Chief Regulatory Officer
Nancy Biamonte, ABC, Chief Professional Sustainability Officer
Krista Nelson-Marciano, MBA, Director, Business Performance
Yvan Boutin, Chief Financial & Corporate Officer
Zac Parsons, BCom, Senior Advisor & Director, Council Relations
P. H. A., Executive Assistant to Council

Gisela Hippolt-Squair, Director, Member Engagement & Communications
Andy Smith, Deputy Chief Regulatory Officer
Dianne Johnstone, Senior Advisor & Director, Legislation & Government Relations

Guests:

James Casey, KC, Field Law

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

[Motion 23-37](#)

Moved by Margaret Allan and seconded by Tracey Stock, THAT the agenda of the October 5, 2023, Special Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

Adopted unanimously.

3.0 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

4.0 SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

Mr. James Casey from Field Law joined the meeting to provide legal advice.

The Chair shared the developments of the conversations with the Government of Alberta (GOA) on updates to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) proposed by government, and the conditions requested by APEGA to the GOA to consider the MOU.

Mr. Casey answered questions from Council about the potential impacts and risks of acceptance of the MOU.

Council discussed the potential impacts of accepting the MOU and the possible approaches to mitigate the risks.

[Motion 23-38](#)

Moved by Claudia Gomez-Villeneuve and seconded by Lorna Harron, THAT Council approves GOA-APEGA MOU route based on two principles (recruitment and qualifier).

Council discussed the motion.

[Motion 23-39](#)

Moved by Geoff Kneller THAT, Council moves in-camera.

Council moved in-camera at 3:59 p.m.

Council moved out-of-camera at 4:25 p.m.

The following friendly amendment to motion 23-38 was presented:

Motion 23-40

Moved by Wendy Shier and seconded by Dean Mullin THAT, the motion be amended to read “*Council approves in principle the negotiation of a Memorandum of Understanding between APEGA and the Government of Alberta concerning use of Software Engineering as a job title in recruitment and with the qualifier “not registered” for those who are not registered with APEGA.*”

The amendment was carried unanimously.

AMENDED MOTION:

Motion 23-38 (Amended)

Moved by Margaret Allan and seconded by Lorna Harron THAT, Council approves in principle the negotiation of a Memorandum of Understanding between APEGA and the Government of Alberta concerning use of Software Engineering as a job title in recruitment and with the qualifier “not registered” for those who are not registered with APEGA.

Adopted unanimously.

Council discussed the communication strategy for communicating the MOU.

5.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION (IN-CAMERA) (Council only)

Council met in-camera previously.

6.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION (IN-CAMERA) SUMMARY (Council + RCEO and Staff)

Did not take place.

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:41 p.m.