



## Professional Geologists of Indiana

### Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Rick Sumner, Dustin Graves, Chris Parks, Rob George, Stephen Brellenthin, Kevin Strunk, Rachel Walker and Bill Karban

July 14, 2016, Blind Owl Brewery, Indianapolis, IN

3:15pm – 5:00pm

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1. Call to Order/Quorum declaration – **Rob** called the meeting to order at 3:15 pm. Quorum was declared.
2. Review of last Meeting Minutes / Secretary Report – **Bill** supplied minutes from 5/18/16 meeting. Rachel motioned to approve, Chris second; minutes approved.
3. President's Remarks – **Rob** proceeded directly to committee updates.
4. Committee updates
  - a. Awards/Annual Meeting – Chris/Rob
    - i. **Chris** stated that they have contacted each of the awardees (John Steinmetz, Jim Nowacki, Larry Studebaker, and Rachel Walker) to save the date (11/16/2016) at Blind Owl Brewery.
    - ii. **Kevin** has contacted Bruce Stephens. Mr. Stephens is happy to speak at the annual event. There is no charge for his speaking service. Mr. Stephens is a charter member of PGI, and will speak about the status of IN coal/future of IN coal (how will new regulations, like Clean Air Act, affect IN coal?)
    - iii. **Rob** has rock specimen awards. We will not print out certificates.
    - iv. **Chris/Rob** will speak with Blind Owl regarding menu/wait staff/etc. in greater detail by October, 2016.
  - b. Earth Science Education – Scott.
    - i. **Scott** wasn't able to attend. Nothing new to report.
  - c. Continuing Education – Rachel.
    - i. Nothing scheduled yet for annual continuing education event.
      1. **Rick** mentioned that Ivy Tech venue may be available for this event. Others mentioned that using the IN Government Center has been our selected venue for various reasons:
        - a. Access to IN Government Center catering, presentation technology, etc.

- b. *Ensures that we can get IDEM/IDNR employees in attendance at our functions. Most state employees cannot go to “off-site” events.*
      - c. *Having IDEM/IDNR employees present is an additional incentive for attendees from private industry*
    - 2. *Target date of September. Target time of 1-4 pm.*
      - a. *Need to consult with **Scott** to see when it can be scheduled.*
      - b. *3 potential speakers:*
        - i. *Kim Forster (on report writing)*
        - ii. *Dave Busch (on natural gas storage in Indiana)*
        - iii. *Rick Sumner (history of oil in Indiana)*
      - c. *Additional topic: Introduction of PG continuing education program.*
      - d. *Do we need food, or just drinks? Need to decide.*
  - d. *Legislative – Dustin.*
    - i. *PG Continuing Education licensure requirements:*
      - 1. *Timeline for presenting the requirements to those licensed:*
        - a. ***Dustin** will meet with Todd Thompson before the IN PG Licensure Board meets on 7/28/2016 to discuss the proposed amendments to the statute, as well as ideas for the “roll-out”.*
        - b. *Introduce the proposed amendments to the statute (at least the key components) at the 2016 continuing education event proposed for September.*
        - c. *Town Hall discussion of the proposed statute language in October, 2016?*
          - i. *Include Todd Thompson and other members of the licensure board at this event.*
        - d. *Vote to approve the proposed amendments to the statute at the annual PGI meeting on 11/16/2016?*
          - i. *How should the vote proceed?*
            - 1. *2/3 vote against the motion by the PGI Board?*
            - 2. *Or, does someone need to bring a grievance to cause the vote?*
      - 2. *Other proposed amendments to the statute.*
        - a. *Add “Professional Corporations” to the statute, per IC 23 – 1.5*



2. *We need to crystallize a plan for how we go to universities in Indiana to perform this task.*
  3. *These efforts can be completed congruently with the development of a PGI scholarship fund.*
5. Treasurer's Report – **Chris** presented treasurer's report.
  - a. *Significant activities: paid off the previous web host. Paid off NEXTFly, the current website designer and webhost through this year. Annual fees will be due to NEXTFly.*
  - b. *Other upcoming expenses: awards for annual meeting.*
  - c. **Chris** will purchase the SQUARE, so that we are able to accept card payment at the annual meeting. This device may also be used to make payments on the PGI website. **Chris** and **Stephen** will work through the details.
  - d. *Treasurer's report approved.*
6. Good of the Order
7. Set next meeting time/date. 9/15/2016, 3:00 pm at the Blind Owl.
8. Adjourn at 5:00 pm