

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 23, 2020, 9:00am

Webcast Via GoToWebinar

Christopher Diaz, GE
President

AGENDA

Martin McIlroy, PE, GE, CEG
Vice President

1.0 OPENING REMARKS

Kelly Introduced Board members and those that will be speaking at the webinar. Meeting called to order by President Diaz at 9:01am. Chris spoke about the current situation and the requirements for having the General Membership Meeting in accordance with the bylaws. Chris announced that ballots would be accepted by email for the next 30 minutes and that an open forum will be held towards the end of the meeting and questions could be asked using the gotomeeting app.

Michael Moscrop, GE
Treasurer

Neal Berliner, GE
Secretary

David Hamilton, GE
Past President

Martin was introduced to discuss the Treasurer's report.

Michael Cazeneuve, PE, GE, CEG
Director

Noah Smith, GE
Director

2.0 APPROVAL OF APRIL 11, 2019 MINUTES

Via ballots submitted by mail or electronically.

Ron Skaggs, GE
Director

3.0 TREASURER'S REPORT

Michael Watari, PE, GE
Director

Financial Report (Martin McIlroy)

Kelly made Martin the presenter and showed his screen.

Tom Benson, PE, GE
Director

Martin explained that out money was withdrawn from Wells Fargo prior to the market crash and that we are in the process of moving money to another investment account.

Eric Swenson PE, GE, CEG
Director

We have \$19,000 in conference income that will be credited to next year's conference and we are waiting for our \$10,000 refund from Squaw Creek.

Lindsey Angell PE
Director

Checking account balance \$ 375, 563.74 (as of 4/15/20)

Savings account balance \$ 25, 136.06

Student Outreach fund balance \$ 0 (closed March 2020)

Kelly Cabal
Executive Director

General fund balance \$ 0 (closed March 2020)

Accounts receivable \$ 450

Accounts payable \$ 0

Year-to-date NET income \$ 35, 240.90

Kelly mentioned that we have \$10,000 in student scholarships that we will be paying out.

Kelly mentioned that the minutes approval from last year's GMM were added to the ballot and we have an off for a quorum to approve the minutes.

4.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Kelly Cabal discussed what she will be addressing as follows:

- A. Conference
 - a. Details of cancellation – Kelly mentioned that if you have not requested a refund yet you can still do that using a form that is on our CalGeo website. After April 30 if a refund was not requested Kelly indicated that she assumes people just want it credited to next year's conference.
 - b. Sponsor Appreciation – Kelly ran through the names of our sponsors and thanked them. Kelly mentioned that all sponsors have been refunded for this year. Kelly thanked contributors to the General Fund: Geo-Logic, NMG Geotechnical, and Stevens, Ferrone & Bailey. Kelly thanked contributors to the Student Fund: Geo-Logic, NMG Geotechnical, and John Sutton in honor of Eric Hendrix who passed away in October 2019.
- B. What's new: Video & membership growth. Kelly tried to show the video but had technical difficulties.
- C. Yearly program recap (LPS, Short courses) Kelly mentioned some of the courses we offered last year including CPT seminars and L-Pile and is working on virtual meetings moving forward. We recently had a webinar presented by Van Goodwin who discussed changes in employment law. The Stego Industries did a presentation with over 100 viewers. Next week on April 30th there will be a presentation for emerging professionals and there are almost 80 people registered.
- D. Upcoming webinars. Kelly mentioned an upcoming virtual six week course beginning on May 22nd with Norm Abramson with UC Berkeley to cover seismic site specific ground motion hazard analysis. It will be a weekly 90 minute class. It will be recorded and added to a new online library that Kelly is current creating for member access.

Kelly's computer came back online and members rejoined the meeting.....

Kelly discussed membership growth and new members. Kelly mentioned the names of all 17 new member firms. Kelly announced the 5 new individual members. Kelly mentioned 2 new affiliate members.

Kelly mentioned that current membership is 111 member firms. 30 affiliate members, 15 individual members, 107 student members with fluctuation every year, 14 academic members, 7 lifetime and honorary members and our mailing list is approximately 3400.

Kelly went back to discussing 2020 courses. Mentioned rescheduling the Prevailing wage and Apprenticeship Requirements course that was supposed to take place at the

conference to a possible in-person meeting (if allowed) or to an online meeting. Kelly discussed Economic presentations and indicated that GBA will be having one on May 1st with a national focus and that we are considering having our economic speaker do a California specific presentation.

Kelly mentioned some additional upcoming webinars related to COVID-19 and emerging professionals.

E. Project Award winners. Kelly thanked David Hamilton and committee. Over 15 submittals this year. The winners were as follows:

Private Large Category:

Winner: Langan Engineering & Environmental Services

Honorable Mention: Leighton Consulting

Private Medium Category:

Winner: GMU

New category this year called Geo-Contractor Award for our affiliate members; Our winner is Farrel Design-Build

All of our winners will be preparing 5 to 10 minute summary videos which will be available by the end of May in our new media library and telling them she and she would be emailing out a summary of the winning projects.

Public Large Category:

Winner: Blackburn Consulting

Public Medium Category:

Winner: Engeo

Honorable Mention: Condor Earth Technologies

Honorable Mention: Geocon

Honorable Mention: Cal Eng. & Geology

Public Small Category:

Winner: Engeo

F. Student Scholarships winners

Kelly thanked Board Member Lindsey Angell who spearheaded the efforts of putting together the scholarship application. Kelly discussed the details of the scholarship application and reminded members that they can donate to the student fund at any time as well as during membership renewal.

Kelly announced the five \$2,000 scholarship winners:

Athul Parayancode (UCSD)
Jeoghyun (Peter) Lee (UCLA)
Brian Yamashiro (USCD)
Teresa Magana (CSUSac)
Claire Anovick (Cal Poly Slo)

G. Salary Survey Reminder

Kelly requested that members submit their 2019 salary information by May 1st.

Kelly thank David Hamilton four revamping our salary survey and spreadsheets. Kelly discussed some of the different categories and experience levels in the data with information going back into the 1970's.

H. Legislative Update

Kelly indicated that there is a section on the website with information including information related to COVID-19.

Kelly Introduced Martin McIlroy to speak about some of the other legislative issues including the SB-1 fuel tax. Martin indicated that there is less revenue available due to the reduction in the use of fuel that could impact future transportation projects. Martin indicated that legislators are being told to hold introducing new Bills due to the COVID 19 crisis. Martin indicated that ACEC has been lobbying to keep our industry as essential. Martin discussed a possible executive order that may impact workman's comp. Martin the mentioned AB-626 Bill and that there will likely not be a lot of movement due to the current crisis; however, it is something that is being watched. CalGeo at this time does not have any plans to introduce any new bills two a legislator this year.

5.0 ELECTION

- A. Election of Directors (McIlroy)
- B. Summary of ballots collected

Kelly announced the executive board and directors as well as our newly elected board member Yvette Wilson with Rock Solid.

Kelly introduce Ron Skaggs to discuss our new investment plans.

6.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Fiduciary Committee (Skaggs)

Ron discussed our investment plan called “the Four Pillars”
\$100,000 was target for each fund

Operating Fund – checking account
Scholarship Fund – blend of mutual funds and bond funds
Rainy-day Fund – Money Market (cash account)
Long-term Growth – most likely an S&P fund for 10 years

Recently signed all the paperwork with Merrill Lynch.

8.0 NEW BUSINESS

A. Future Conferences

Kelly discussed the following:

2021 Hyatt Indian Wells April 28-30 with options for different types of rooms and amenities.

Past-president interviews to preserve the oral history of CalGeo

A video prepared by Don Shepardson was discussed and is available on YouTube

Kelly discussed and then launched an Online Poll and members were asked to vote about going to Hawaii every 5 years or stay in California? A few minutes were provided for members to vote. Nothing was booked yet for 2022 due to the instability of the economy.

Hawaii Poll results are as follows:

Yes: 68%

No: 14%

Indifferent: 18%

B. Member’s Open Forum submitted via Question feature in GoToWebinar No questions were submitted.

C. Thank you to David Hamilton, departing Past-President

Chris Diaz thanked the Board and Dave for accomplishing so much this year including the growth in membership, the start of the scholarship fund and the fiduciary committee. Chris indicated that he was hoping to get more of the past presidents on video and requested that past presidents attending the meeting today to please join us at Indian Wells.

Chris did his best to roast former President Dave Hamilton and promised to include his roast next year and showed a video of Dave slicing a golf ball into the ocean.

9.0 ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53am by Director Diaz.