Alaska Geological Society – Minutes from the October 2019 Board Meeting

Date: October 15, 2019
Location: BP Energy Center, Anchorage
Secretary: Heather Beat
Present: Steve Carhart
          Kirk Sherwood
          Ken Helmhold
          Art Bannet
          Andy Dewhurst
          Corey Ramstad
          Laura Gregersen
          Jennifer Crews
          Monte Mabry
          Trystan Herriot (via phone from Fairbanks)

1. Steve called meeting to order at 11:31. Started with introductions. Overview of minutes from last meeting
   a. Discussed Carl and Art having proxies
   b. Within 30 days, everyone needs to look at the website and send feedback to Heather Beat. Admin privileges for the website needs to be granted to more people than Jan Hazen and Larry; mainly for password reset and other small issues
   c. Minutes approved from last meeting.
2. Corey and Steve are currently working on the budget. Will present budget once done.
   a. Advertisers need to be contacted.
3. Tech conference at UAF, Steve is meeting with Sean and Trystan in Fairbanks on Monday to discuss conference, date, and location.
   a. Interest from GMC in mining presentations
4. VP Report
   a. Tom Homza is presenting next week. Steve volunteered to MC.
   b. Decided to use government affiliated (USGS) webshare service for presentations instead of Webex due to time restrictions. Andy will help Steve with set up.
   c. November presentation will be USGS Resource Evaluation
   d. Do not have a December presenter lined up. Jennifer suggested reaching out to SPE for a joint talk. Ken also suggest GSA for a joint talk.
   e. Conoco is donating 2 laptops to AGS thanks to Andy. Steve has extra Microsoft license that he’s willing to donate to AGS for the computer. May be worth it to spend ~$200 for Microsoft office licenses and webshare programs. Andy will put together info and present them.
   f. There are only 2 gift plaques left for speakers. Greg has not gotten one. We need to order more (customized?) plaques from Bovey Trophies which are $20-25.
5. President Report
   a. Steve wants to start paid lunch service for presentations starting at the November 19th luncheon. Need a system for people to prepay for lunch. If cost of catering is less than ~$150-200 we can bring in food, otherwise needs to be done through NANA Regional Corp. Steve will find out cost before signing up for catering.

6. Andy wants all board members to read and be familiar with the bylaws by next board meeting. Bylaws are available in google drive and on the website.

7. Discussion of AGS Board
   a. Potential president in Fairbanks - may help pull Fairbanks in and get them involved more. Unsure of interest.
   b. Andy may want to run for president next year. Who would run for VP?
   c. Laura may want to be president elect instead of a director next year
   d. Would AGS want a student liaison? One of Jit’s grad students may be good for this position.
   e. Paige (last name?) and Mark Villareal for potential publications chair – Laura will follow up with this. Mick Bradway would be a good resource since he had this position.

8. Greg’s presentation was published in Petroleum News and full of errors.
   a. Need to remind audience that recording presentations is not allowed. Steve will announce this before the next presentation.

9. Newsletter still has advertising that may or may not be paid. Ken will put them in the newsletter regardless, except Weatherford, which no longer exists.
   a. Steve, Corey, and Heather will work on list of who has paid and who hasn’t and send a nice letter with request for payment with an associated deadline.
   b. Will also send letters to new potential advertisers.
      i. RPS, Geolog, Waters, any others?
   c. Before we do this, are the current rates appropriate? (Rates are attached to e-mail and in newsletter)

10. Scholarship information will be done by Sue at the beginning of the year.

11. Meeting adjourned at 12:37.

Respectfully submitted by Heather Beat, October 16, 2019.