

AGS meeting minutes – April 7, 2020 (recorded by Laura Gregersen for Heather Beat)

In attendance via phone or online: Steve Carhart, Laura Gregersen, Andy Dewhurst, Art Banet, Kirk Sherwood, Jennifer Crews, Corey Ramstad, Steve Wright, Larry Smith, Sue Karl, and Ken Helmold.

Steve Carhart read March minutes to group. Minutes were approved as read.

Corey gave the treasurers report:

**Income:** 3 memberships- \$75

**Expenses:**

Pick click give application fee- \$257.75

Scholarships- \$2,000 for Richter, \$5,000 for AGS.

Snapshot of our accounts:

**Checking: \$14,208.60**

**Scholarship Fund: \$12,486.01**

**General Savings \$18,080.00**

**General Scholarship Fund: \$10,142.41**

Andy gave the vp report: plan to contact Tom Douglass to give his talk from his desktop. Buthman’s talk went well and was well received!

Steve Carhart gave the tech conference update: Fairbanks team has placed a sticky note to reserve rooms for the technical conference for two different weekends in late September (Friday, Saturday).

Kirk gave the membership update – a few new memberships. Snapshot of membership is below.

Summary of AGS Membership Roster as 06 April 2020						
512	=Total Roster	453	= Number of Email Addresses	102	=Number in Regular/Current Paid Status	96
508		449		5	=Number in Student/Current Paid Status	5
<b>05 March Statistics in Red</b>				6	=Number of Honorary Members*	6
				32	=Total Number of Life Members	32
				11	=Number of Life Members Joined in Current Dues Cycle	11
				145	= Total Members in Current Paid Status	139
				\$5,375.00	= Total Current Membership Revenues Including Life Members in Current Dues Cycle	\$5,200.00
* Marshall (deceased); Mull, Pessel, Sokolov; Watts (deceased); Wilson						

Scholarships – we could not hear Sue. Steve will reach out to Sue to inquire about what is appropriate to include in newsletter regarding scholarship. Sue emailed her report after the meeting. This is what she provided:

I contacted PSAAPG about their plans to send the scholarship checks.

Cynthia Huggins at PSAAPG said she will mail the checks today. At my request she is sending them to me because I am not allowed to enter the USGS building.

I am wondering if AGS can do the same. Campuses might be closed but the students are taking their classes online, and they still need to pay tuition. If Corey can get the checks made out and get the necessary signatures with social distancing, please send the scholarship checks to me at this address:

Sue Karl P.O. Box 454, Chugiak, AK 99567

I have AGS letterhead, I can download a template for certificates, and I can mail the checks to the students as soon as I have all the checks from PSAAPG and AGS.

Kirk provided a Tom Marshall obituary approved by the Marshall family to AGS board. Steve Carhart asked Ken to add it to the next newsletter.

New Business: Steve Carhart needs to get email addresses straightened out. Elections are coming up. AGS thought the presentation of analyses performed by Baker Hughes at the GMC was a success.

Steve Wright asked the board if anyone knew the bylaws procedures for elections – especially in light of the Covid-19 virus precautions of social distancing. Steve and Jennifer Crews will review the bylaws and email the team as to a motion on a plan forward regarding this years' election of officers.

Larry Smith said that we can have Jan set up a poll on website for voting.

Steve asked Ken Helmold, regarding the upcoming newsletter, to add: we are looking for candidates to volunteer for the AGS board, the obituary for Tom Marshall, results of the GMC presentation. Steve Carhart will work with Ken on newsletter. Kirk provided Steve with a copy of the April 2018 newsletter in which the President's remarks included a call for volunteers to step up to serve as officers.

Kirk will send out an email(s) to the membership concerning volunteering to serve plus an announcement directing the membership to the polling site on the AGS web page. The content of the emails should parallel the related text developed for the April newsletter.

Steve moved to adjourn meeting. Laura and Art seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 12:05

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