AIPG – WI Section Executive Board Conference Call
Monday, November 25, 2019 (12:30 pm – 1:00 pm)
Meeting Minutes

Participants:
Paula Leier-Engelhardt, Chris Lilek, Stacy Saari, Jayne Englebert & Rebecca Butcher

Call Meeting to Order – Stacy Saari.

Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (All)
Minutes from September and October approved with no corrections.

Treasurer’s Report
No update today. The bill hasn’t come from Capital yet so not much change.

“Geology Day” at the Capital (All)
Good turnout of presenters, not many legislators stopped by, they were very busy. The legislators that did make it were appreciative of our presence. Ken’s tour was successful. Paula mentioned the Foth table had a pamphlet about the critical role of PG’s and suggested AIPG provide and circulate something similar. Jayne indicated that the costs of Ethan Parish (a student) had been covered.

Northern Wisconsin Field Trip Option for National Conference in 2021 (Chris, Paula, Stacy)
Nothing new. Waiting on an exact day.

WI AIPG Board elections for 2020 – (Chris)
Results will be in November 30th.

Website Update – (Chris)
Chris talked to Andrew Graham. Will try to get it updated. No news on this from National. Only our section can see it so it’s not useful for a marketing tool outside our group. The domain name has been purchased and is reserved for 3 years.

By-laws Revision – (Chris)
Added conference calls for meetings and electronic means of voting. Chris moved to approve the revisions as written. Jayne seconded and all in favor. Revisions approved.

Riveredge Student Presentation Day – (Chris and Trevor)
There were 4 geology presentations (oral and posters). Chris noted an increase in geology presentations and traffic at the AIPG table. We can encourage the conference to be more water-related and less botany-related for future events.

2020 PFAS seminar update – (Chris)
Date and location are set. 2 vendors signed up as well as 5 in-kind sponsors (SET said sure). DNR has a speaker, WGNHS are also supportive. We need sponsors and exhibitors to register so we can get the logos on there. The Key Note speaker is from S Carolina air division. Will relate how the PFAS gets into the air from remediation and precipitation sends it back to the surface. Chris needs help getting the word out, only 9 have registered so far. We are also accepting student abstracts. Discussion about how much sponsorship gets a logo on the brochure.

WI AIPG purchase of 5 student scholarships for PFAS seminar – (Chris)
Chris called for a motion to support scholarships at $65 per student. Paula seconded. All in favor. Motion approved. Agreed to only pay if the students attend.
Other Topics
Paula mentioned that she'd registered for AEG. She and Heather from Foth sat in on a webinar. Paula is a PG in 4 states and is getting connected to PG’s in other states so she felt like it was worth paying for a year to keep up with other PG’s and what’s been happening with professional licensing.

Agreed not to meet in December due to the meeting falling between holidays.

Meeting adjourned.

Next Scheduled Board Meeting – Monday, January 27, 2020 – 12:30 pm to 1:00 pm