
Minutes

Regional Councillors Committee (RCC) Thursday, January 25, 2017

Teleconference

Chair:	Warren Turnbull, P.Eng.	West Central Regional Councillor
Vice-Chair:	Noubar Takessian, P.Eng.	East Central Regional Councillor
Members:	Ishwar Bhatia, P.Eng.	Eastern Regional Councillor
	Guy Boone, P.Eng.	Eastern Regional Councillor
	Danny Chui, P.Eng.	West Central Regional Councillor
	Thomas Chong, P.Eng.	East Central Regional Councillor
	Lola Hidalgo, P.Eng.	Western Regional Councillor
	Dan Preley, P.Eng.	Northern Regional Councillor
	Michael Wesa, P.Eng.	Northern Regional Councillor
Regrets:	Gary Houghton, P.Eng.	Western Regional Councillor
Staff:	Julie Hamilton	Coordinator, Chapters
Time:	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	
Recorded:	Yes	

7:00 p.m. Call to order and welcome

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by W. Turnbull

7:05 p.m. Approval of the meeting Agenda

- G. Boone requested that the following item be added to the agenda:
 - Chapter Manager absence

Motion 1: To approve the meeting Agenda as amended. Moved by: N. Takessian. Seconded by: G. Boone. Motion **CARRIED**.

7:15 p.m. How to divide the \$100,000 chapter allotment reduction between chapters

Motion 2: In support of Motion 9 from the October 28, 2017 RCC meeting, the RCC agrees to reduce the 2018 total allotment to the 2017 amount of \$599,000 so that the initial reduction (\$25,000) can be shared across all chapters, and a secondary reduction (\$75,000) shared only between chapters whose bank balances are in excess of the allowable limit of 50% of their 2017 allotment. Motion moved by M. Wesa. Seconded by N. Takessian. Motion **CARRIED**.

RCC discussed other possible avenues of savings. The Chair reminded RCC that preliminary numbers are required in order to send the first half of each chapter's allotment.

I. Bhatia noted a few errors in the Eastern Region's calculated totals and the Chair agreed to correct them.

7:45 p.m. Chapter Manager, absence

The RCC agreed that this is more of a staffing concern however they also want to ensure that chapter business is not negatively impacted.

The Chair agreed to send Scott Clark an email to inquire about possible solutions to staffing shortages and to also include the concern voiced during the RCC teleconference.

7:55 p.m. Open Forum

- N. Takessian's main focus is getting the first half of the chapter allotments delivered as quickly as possible.

- I. Bhatia emphasized the importance of respecting Matt Ng's privacy, and thanked Staff for their assistance
- M. Wesa gave an update on the Licensure Working Group. They are meeting with Michael Price, Deputy Registrar, next Thursday. This will be the first official meeting of the group. They will walk them through the application process, the mechanics, and the Q&A. The group has begun to collect information on licensure paperwork and forms. The former backlog has been drastically reduced and by February 1st they will be back to normal working times of 6-8 weeks per application (that are in order).
- G. Boone stated that he did not agree with keeping the agenda so short and would have liked to discuss the Strategic Plan and possibility of a Penta-Congress.

8:05 p.m. Next RCC Meeting and Adjournment

Next RCC meeting (face-to-face)

<u>RCC Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
Saturday, April 7, 2018	TBD

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.