

Summary for EMD Leadership Teleconference
Wednesday August 12, 2009
3-5 pm CST

Invitees:

Neil Fishman, Creties Jenkins, Norma Newby, Andrea Reynolds, Amy Sullivan, Frank Walles, Art Johnson, Kent Bowker, Fran Hein, Michael Campbell, Laura Wray

Participants: Frank Walles, Fran Hein, Mike Campbell, Amy Sullivan, Norma Newby, Creties Jenkins, Kent Bowker, Art Johnson

Red text indicates potential Action Item.

Agenda Items

- 1) Recap of Divisions Meeting and Plan for AAPG Executive Meeting – How this impacts us (Creties, Frank, Michael)

Meeting was held on July 10, in Houston with DEG and DPA.

1. Full time administrator discussion. AAPG EXCOM and John Lorenz seem to think we want to split EMD from AAPG, but that is not our intent.
2. Strong agreement among the three divisions to cooperate and defined initiatives we could cooperate on.

- 2) Recap of written learning's from Laura Wray - How can we improve the AAPG 2010 Convention (Art Johnson) on plans and needs forward.

- Reference: Laura Wray's report on the 2009 Denver Convention, which has been reviewed by Art Johnson.
- Only 5 abstracts submitted thus far for New Orleans due to late invitation for papers.
- Laura to send list of papers to Art that could not be presented due to the lack of session space.
- Art discussed how the courses and field trip planning is going – right now they are weak. Will contact Jack Pashin on unconventional gas course. Field trip deadline has already passed for trip description, etc.
- Send sponsor information, lunch speaker information.
- July 22 email message from AAPG for abstract deadline, but the email was not obvious!

- 3) 2009-2010 Business Plan (Frank) - What needs to have action now?

- a) The budget includes full-time person in Tulsa,
- b) The need for conferences/workshops as funding source,

Wrestling with the funding structure with regard to conferences and workshops and whether there is a way to support the committees with the appropriate funding.

Do we need a new division name? Made need a name change to get the proper recognition. Creties reminded would take a change in by-laws and would have to solicit member support. Would we need another committee to handle this? This topic should be a discussion at the leadership mid-year meeting.

A division Committee might have these responsibilities:

- Solicit name options
- Track responses – ballot
- Bylaw changes
- Web search – for good name
- Advertising new name
- Communicating EMD purpose

c) Plan forward with other Divisions – Division funding structure options
Rick Fritz has a proposal for dues structure.

d) Leadership Days – August 28-30 – meeting with Rick Fritz, John Lorenz

3) Financial and publications updates (Kent / Fran)

a) Update on 2009-2010 budget

b) Publications volumes update: Gulf Coast Coal Assessment, Hydrates, CO2 Sequestration., Coal Atlas, Astrogeology, GSA Hydrocarbons from Shale, TCU-proposed AAPG Special Publication on shale reservoirs.

Neil Fishman said there was a defined split between AAPG and EMD depended on the amount of money brought in to support the publications.

Example: USGS should sign a Memorandum of Understanding on the level of their support for the coal publication (Peter Warwick). The MOU would then be a negotiating tool for outlining the profit split even though there are historic documents indicating the profit split (70/30 or 60/40). The reason for the split is that AAPG assumes the risk for the publication and the Publications Group handles the volume along with the risk and the overhead. Because this is a CD this would be worked up through the AAPG Datapages and so the split may be different since it is through a different part of the company. Contact Beverly about information.

Astrogeology Book - parts are in review.

4) Website Update (Michael) – new look and materials needed/ thoughts on Share Point Technology for committees

- Working with Janet Brister
 - Phase I should be finished next week.
 - Profile form – update being discussed.
 - Cross-division link is an option
 - Members will be able to add URLs to the database
 - Sharepoint issue is still unresolved
 - Amy will close loop on Outreach with Michael
- 5) Recruiting student leaders (Andrea) - Status of new committee and expected role
- a) Identification of student leaders
 - b) Status of recruiting burst work at the Denver convention (Norma/Andrea)
 - c) List of 14 individuals to us—we will need to contact them.
 - d) Leadership Weekend and Student Chapter Leadership Summit

Status of Recruiting Burst at Denver Convention:

1) Need to agree list of new students with Norma (count), finish letter to students & send!

Could Norma send me her list? Do we have emails entered somewhere that is easy for me to access, or are all the student members captured in a spreadsheet?

ID of Student Leaders -

1) *Grants in Aid winners*: Karin looked at this some months ago, only 10 on list are active or associate AAPG members, most are still student members. Karin also looked for a past letter/template to use, but there are none.

We should draft a letter to see if these 10 are interested in becoming active in EMD. Perhaps EMD should instead focus on students in Denver with hot research topics and enthusiasm to join committees as Vice-Chairs or active committee members.

2) *No new info from Bill Houston on other "high potential students" identified to be interested in EMD* - not sure we'll get another list, might be best to focus on those we talked to in Denver

Leadership Weekend & Student Chapter Leadership Summit:

Andrea sent out a note to Rhonda Welch today to find out when these will be occurring.

EMD Role going Forward: I am interested in staying on to continue with North America membership/recruitment issues - Thank you for the opportunity to continue to serve EMD. I will plan to attend teleconferences as necessary and give timely updates on what is going on as liaison to Student Chapters & Young Professional Committees, as well as Membership Committees (I'm Vice-Chair for Membership Planning Committee)

- 6) Vice President Hein thoughts on responsibilities and needs (Fran)

Fran has international links and could promote international while Andrea focuses on North America.

Regarding EMD publications Fran would like to help as a focal point for author follow up and working with commodity chairs.

EMD should have a regular point of contact for the AAPG Education Committee with Susan Nash.

7) Outreach update (Amy)

a) Quarterly Newsletter status (Creties/ Amy)

Amy has the action to send the newsletter contents to Norma for formatting into an email newsletter.

8) Councilors and Technical Committees (Frank, Creties and Michael)

a) Status of Technical committee chairs for 2009-2010

Campbell reminded everyone that a Renewable Energy Chair was originally a DEG chair idea. Rick Vost is good candidate. Frank says two chairs from EMD and DEG would be an option and Rick should be the EMD chair.

b) Recruitment of additional councilors – two significant openings

Open Region Councilors:

Canada, Latin America, Asia-Pacific, European and South Africa

Fran – suggests Jock McCracken at BP for Canada

Michael has potential Australia and Southeast Asia and Latin America contacts.

Norma will pull member lists for Europe and Africa and Frank may have someone for these regions.

9) Procedures Manual (Andrea/ Fran)

Fran has not touched bases with Andrea yet.

a) Several changes to be made

i) Election of all councilors

ii) Multiple chairs for each technical committee

iii) Addition of tight sands and renewable committees

10) Explorer articles for 2009-2010 (Frank and Creties)

a) Four articles are needed (July 1, Oct 1, Jan 1, Apr 1)

11) Update on section/region meetings (Creties, et al.)

a) Sep 20-22: Evansville, Eastern Section

i) Creties will represent EMD and teach EMD-sponsored short courses

b) Oct 14-16: Tulsa, Mid-continent

i) Brian Cardott chair Woodford session, David Newell chair
CBM/Shale session

c) Nov. 15-18: Rio De Janiero, International

i) Unconventionals are listed as a theme, but no definitive sessions listed

d) Nov 23-24: Paris, European Region

i) Unconventional Resources session including geothermal, CBM, coal,
tight gas

- e) Apr 18-21: New Orleans, Annual convention
 - i) Update from Art Johnson
 - f) May 16-18: Dallas, Southwest Section
 - i) Shale gas core workshop, etc
 - g) May 27-29: Anaheim, Pacific Section
 - h) June 13-15: Durango, Rocky Mountain Section
 - i) Four Corners Geological Society hosting; several EMD commodities featured
- 12) EMD conferences/workshops updates (Frank and Creties)
- a) Perkins conference on Unconventional Energy Resources (December 6-9)
 - i) Explorer advertisement, distribute registration form to EMD members
 - b) Houston Mudrocks Conference: Planning for February 2010
 - c) Possible Calgary shale gas conference with CSPG
- 13) AAPG Leadership Days attendees for August 28-30, 2009
- Division cooperation will be discussed in an open forum. Frank will be presenting our strategy and business plan.
 - Financial structure
 - EMD manager
- 14) Other Business –
- 2011 Houston EMD Vice-Chair
 - Amy to send note to HGS Board
 - Minutes recap - November 2008 minutes finalized and on web
 - July 2009 minutes finalized and on web
 - June 2009 Annual meeting sent to EXCOM for comments otherwise final.
 - Action: June Business Meeting and Committee meeting to go to the web.

Next Meeting at September 8, Tuesday. 3-5 p.m.

Motion to adjourned by Creties and seconded. Meeting ended at 5:06.

Amy Sullivan
EMD Secretary 2008-2010