

**Minutes for EMD Leadership Teleconference  
Thursday October 8, 2009  
3-5 pm Central Time**

**Invitees:**

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

**Attendees:** Frank Walles, Michael Campbell, Fran Hein, Kent Bowker, Neil Fishman, Amy Sullivan, Creties Jenkins, Harris Cander, Art Johnson

Red text indicates potential Action Items.

**Agenda Items**

1) The AAPG 2010 New Orleans Convention (Art Johnson)

Good technical program now coming together. There are 9 sessions and 124 abstracts in total. Currently, in the review process. There are 26 abstracts for unconventional. Light sessions include coal (7) and drilling & completion (3). The shallow hazard session has a gas hydrate talk.

Luncheon is joint with DEG (Mark is Technical Chair) He is the point man for our speaker. Expenses light for speaker since coming from Baton Rouge and maybe a small honorarium.

Gas Hydrate short course has a \$500 sponsorship. \$125 for one-day course. Should make money. No field trips.

Harris Cander is the (BP) 2011 ACE EMD Vice-Chair nominee. Still needs approval from BP management for time commitment.

2) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

MOU is in the process of completion.

Where do we stand now? – Discussion has evolved and now the meeting will be in Devon's Houston offices on October 29. Attendees will include Dave Resnick, John Lorenz, Rick Fritz, and Norma Newby or Karin Alyea, Gretchen Giles, Michael Campbell, Creties Jenkins and DEG and DPA presidents will attend.

No approval of Business Plan – waiting on line item approvals from AAPG Executive Committee.

Scott Tinker had proposed no EMD dues, but now that has been pushed aside.

EMD is AAPG!! We need to keep saying that!

Run a full page add in the AAPG Explorer!! Thanks Neil Fishman for this idea.

3) The AAPG 2010 ICE Calgary Convention (Fran Hein) on plans and needs forward

Fran is going to first meeting the week of October 12<sup>th</sup>. Neil brought in the idea of a Bakken Shale session. Fran has requested an EMD session. Fran proposed an oil sand session. Still have not figured out if we are involved with short courses/field trips or both. Campbell has not gotten any feedback yet on a uranium session. There is a pure uranium conference later and maybe they could provide some speakers for an EMD uranium session at ICE.

4) The AAPG 2011 Convention (Harris Cander nominated EMD Vice Chair)  
HGS is the host organization. Will need an EMD Technical Chair and Session Chair. The EMD EC held a general discussion about how AAPG, HGS and EMD work together to organize the session.

5) 2009-2010 Business Plan (Frank) What needs to have action now!

*Holding Pattern - waiting on AAPG Executive Committee*

Where do we go from here - how can it be accomplished?

a) Includes full-time person in Tulsa, - Not Approved

b) The need for conferences/workshops as funding source

Question of what a Division does and how it is funded - waiting on October 29th meeting

c) Plan forward with other Divisions - Unknown at this time

6) Financial and publications updates (Kent / Fran)

a) Update on 2009-2010 budget - monetary exposures - Income (Kent)

EMD has still not received the Denver meeting results and thus no EOY results yet.

b) Publications Spreadsheet update: Gulf Coast Coal Assessment, Hydrates, CO2 Sequestration, Coal Atlas, Astrogeology, GSA Hydrocarbons from Shale, TCU-proposed AAPG Special Pub on shale reservoirs, Oil Sands (Fran)

Fran – latest date for gas hydrates is Oct. 2009. Atlas of Coal geology – need an update and request what is going on. Good response on the proposed Oil Sand publication. Will meet with the other co-editors on October 28 and then introduce it to the AAPG Foundation.

No push back on the funding of the publications. We are budgeting for these as before. Frank floated the idea of the Committee Chairs coming up with ideas for funding in their field.

7) Website Update (Michael) –

There is a new look and materials are needed. Michael shared his thoughts on Share Point Technology for committees. The Portal update should be included in the Fall News Letter to EMD membership. Continue to find things to update at the website and have expanded the member structure of each of the commodities to show active members and observing members.

8) Recruiting student leaders (Andrea)

Andrea was not present at the teleconference.

- a) Identification of student leaders and those under age 35 - status of follow-up and into Technical Committee structure
- b) Profiling on the member signup upon renewal - idea from Michael

9) Vice President additional thoughts on needs (Fran)  
Fran left the teleconference early, but has passed on thoughts before

10) Outreach update (Amy)  
No report

11) Quarterly Newsletter status (Amy and Team)  
Post-Meeting – the fall newsletter was issued on Thursday, November 5.

- a) AAPG Explorer Articles - Fran Hein on Oil Sands article - Done
- b) **Need for two articles in Explorer Magazine for the big upcoming changes of membership for the EMD and DEG (volunteers?) We have January 1 and April 1 Deadlines.**
- c) Unclear direction of EMD and its membership structure

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

- a) Status of Technical committee chairs for 2009-2010  
Have made solicitations. We don't see any movement forward. Probably should wait for November 1.
- b) Recruitment of additional councilors – three significant openings and final candidates needed today! Where are we here - deadline of November meeting

13) Procedures Manual (Andrea/ Fran)  
Draft sent out – **ACTION to approve procedures manual.**

14) Mid-Year Meeting and report requirements date  
Thursday November 12, 2009 10 to 4 PM at Shell Complex (Amy and Norma/Karin for setup)  
10:00 – 1:00 Executive Committee and Lunch  
1:00 – 4:00 Committee Meetings

Next EMD Teleconference Thursday, December 10, from 3:00 – 5:00.

Campbell seconded. Motion approved. Meeting Adjourned at 5:02.

Amy Sullivan  
EMD Secretary 2008-2010