Southwest Section
American Association of Petroleum Geologists

10 AM, July 28, 2015
Webex Teleconference

Agenda

Call to Order @ 10:06 AM CST by President Darrell Mauldin
Quorum was in attendance.

Introductions:

Outgoing & Current Officers

Outgoing Officers introduced, described role, and thanked for service:

Secretary (meeting minutes):
Curtis Helms - not present

Vice President (fill committees & website):
Nic Brissett

Past President:
David Entzminger - not present

President:
Jeff Ritchie

Brief Role Call:

Officers:

Treasurer: Jessica Pontiff
Secretary: Amy Patterson
Vice President: Rebecca Dodge
President Elect: Mike Raines
President: Darrell Mauldin
Past President: Jeff Ritchie

AAPG Advisory Council
Bob Webster

Committee Chairperson introduced and explained role briefly:

Awards Committee (manage nominees and awards): Bruce Swartz not present

Bylaws Committee (tracks and recommends changes to bylaws): Mike Raines

Continuing Education Committee (Short Course): Jean Campbell

Loan Committee: Jessica Pontiff

Scholarship and Grants Committee: Charlotte Klenk

Imperial Barrel Award: David Coddington not present

Nominating Committee: Jeff Ritchie

Website Committee: Robert Nail - not present

Affiliated Society Representatives:

Abilene Geological Society: Buford Salter
Dallas Geological Society: Brad Winton (Alt.)
El Paso Geological Society: Not present
Fort Worth Geological Society: Roy Yates (Alt.)
North Texas Geological Society: Jerry Hickman
Roswell Geological Society: Norman Lovan
San Angelo Geological Society: Bruce Swartz - not present
West Texas Geological Society: Trey Becker (Alt.)

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Representatives:

Young Professionals (advice and networking to YP chapters): Joe Bauman

Student Chapters (need to help with this, tabled for later. Darrell tasking Mike Raines to organize this effort.):

AAGP Divisions:

DPA Councilor (Professional Affairs): Margo J. Liss
DEG Councilor (Environmental Geosciences): Chris Leibl - not present
EMD Councilor (Energy Minerals Division): Paul Thomas

Convention Reports:

Profit ~$44K, ~$22K to the SWS, 253 registrants; Field trip was sold out.

2016 Convention: Abilene Vance Long – not present
First convention meeting is next week.

Officer Reports:

Secretary Minute Approval:
See Attachment 2 SWSBoardMeetingMinutes_04_12_2015
Approve Minutes from April 12, 2015 Meeting Darrell Mauldin
Motion to accept: Jeff Ritchie
Second: Rebecca Dodge
Status: Approved

Treasurer Report:
See Attachment 3 SWSAAPG_Treas_Rpt_FY_2014_2015
Balance as of June 30, 2015: $147,913.95
SWS Share of WTGS 2014 Convention Profits $75,443.75
WTGS repayment of loan for 2014 Convention: Paid: $10K
Loan and proceeds from 2015 Convention: Not Repaid
To be paid-Expense to AGS for Short Course: -$3,530.30
To be paid- Payment to Tendenci (website): -$1,295.00
Net total after expenses: $143,035.65

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President Report: Darrell Mauldin
VP Report - Website still not functioning but hopeful that in the next two weeks it will be up and running. Jeff Ritchie added that Tendenci under the supervision of Robert Nail (SWS Website Committee Chair) is steadily working at completion. Members will be contacted via email.

President Elect Report by Darrell Mauldin also -
See Attachment 4 SWS-AAPG- Bylaws-StandingRules_Rev2014 Standing Rules by Topic then Chronological
Darrell reminded folks if they need to review their duties for any position to refer to the bylaws. They will be posted on website and are attached. Also, society representative has same voting authority as officers. So, if representative cannot make it, please send an alternate. This is needed so we can have a quorum (60% voting members) to conduct business.

AAPG Advisory Council: Bob Webster
Bob informed that process for award nominees at national level is open now and due by September 18, 2015 (names, sponsors, and documentation). Awards will be awarded next year in Calgary. The nomination forms are on AAPG website. Bob added that SWS is traditionally underrepresented and encouraged members to get nominees submitted. Decision meeting held in October 2015.

Committee Reports:
Scholarship Committee: Charlotte Klenk
The list for student contacts need to be updated due to turnover. Darrell suggested working with Mike Raines and student chapters too.

Nominating Committee: Jeff Ritchie
Committee is still waiting to see if El Paso is going to host 2018 Annual Meeting. They are a small society made up of mostly UTEP student and professors. Host society has to bring a President Elect to head up convention per by laws. We may need to enlist help of surrounding societies to nominate officers for meeting (i.e. Roswell, Midland, or another close society). Contact Jeff Ritchie if you know someone that may be interested. Need folks starting in 3 months.

New Business:
AAPG American Geoscience Institute: Rebecca Dodge
Rebecca brought forward an opportunity for high school Earth Science and Space teachers through the American Geoscience Institute designed around the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skill standard. This is an opportunity to receive $300 in aid via AAPG for the course. The course costs ~$1000. Rebecca called on group to publicize opportunity and to call on local societies to possibly help with more by sponsoring a teacher in their area. Rebecca is teaching the semester long course starting Aug 31, 2015. Rebecca will send email with information.
Vote on Graham Society Status: Darrell Mauldin

1) Graham Society has no active members, but 14 active AAPG members. They do not hold monthly meetings, nor do they have officers. Two major points of discussion include 1) Profits of the Neutral Site SWS Convention held occasionally are split between the SWS and all of the affiliated societies. Graham is receiving money but does not have means to spend it due to inactivity. 2) Their lack of activity and attendance affects the SWS Board meetings due to the need to have a quorum when voting. With Graham Society, SWS Board needs 10 out of 16 (60%). There have been instances where Board was put in a no voting situation due to lack of Graham attendance. If Graham were to be terminated as a member of the SWS, then it would be easier to conduct business as a board due to the 9 out of 15 requirement for quorum. Jeff Ritchie agreed with all statements and recommended a vote. Darrell Mauldin has spoken with society members. They understand and harbor no hard feelings on termination being approved.

Motion: Graham Geological Society has become defunct and as the Board, we are voting to terminate their membership in SWS: Jerry Hickman.
Second: Buford Salter
Status: Approved

Next Board Meeting: Midland, TX
WTGS Fall Symposium, Wednesday Oct. 7, 2015, Noon (Virtual attendance is not an option). Email will be sent with more details.

Adjourn: Completed by 10:49 am 7/28/2015