

Saskatoon Engineering Society (SES) Annual General Meeting

September 28, 2021 @ 6:30

Call to order 6:45 PM

Master of Ceremony – Sumith Kahanda, PhD. P.Eng., PMP, CSSGB.

Introductions & Welcome

- Acknowledgement of previous directors and volunteer for the last year given the COVID situation

Guest speaker – Prof C.Y Chung.

- Background in Grid Modernization in Smart Grid technologies in Saskatchewan
- Senior Leader in IEEE organization
- Presentation: background and future endeavours for SaskPower Smart Grids and the worlds outlook on Power generation.

SES AGM Business Portion: Chair, Juniper Willard, P.Eng.

Called to order 7:22PM

1. Motion to accept Agenda as presented – Ziggy moves, Arian seconds it, the Motion is accepted after polling.
2. Minutes of 2020 AGM –Motion to accept previous minutes from previous AGM-motion proposed by Travis Z, Ziggy seconds it. Motion is accepted after polling.
3. President's Report – President, Juniper Willard, P.Eng.
 - a. Previous year was conditioned with both drought and plague,
 - b. The importance of technologies and how we can adapt as changes come together
 - c. Pandemic has made the push to get everyone back to the office, however, does a distributed model make more sense, and how this relates to the SES over the last year.
 - d. Move to Accept yearly report motion made by Anil Sharma, seconded by Travis Z. Motion passed
4. Financial Report - Zygmunt Kowal, P.Eng.
 - a. See details of report attached to the meeting minutes
 - b. No questions came forward
 - c. Motion to accept the financial report by Ziggy, Seconded by Tara Z. Motion is accepted.
5. Presentation of Budget -Zygmunt Kowal, P.Eng.
 - a. Showcasing of budget,
 - i. Covid caused activities to drop down during the last year
 - ii. Most meetings were remotely
 - iii. Operational and administration costs were low compared to the budget
 - b. No questions came forward

- c. Motion to accept the financial report by Ziggy, Seconded by Arian. Motion is accepted.
- 6. APEGS Greetings – Ashok Thakkar P.Eng
 - a. Ashok Thakkar, I am a new council member and current APEGS Liaison Councilor to SES.
 - b. I would like to share three main points regarding APEGS Initiatives/activities.
 - 1. Our Initiative on building and enhancing public awareness and Image of APEGS role and presence. (a) Promote Engineering and Geoscience Week; (b) Create a new awareness campaign for fall 2021; (c) Implement APEGS Connect (member survey panel). Along with redesigning the website, Professional Edge, and Implementation of social media program.
 - 2. Few months ago, Bod McDonald- APEGS- Executive Director and Registrar, had informed us about his retirement plan in Jan 2022, we are looking for his replacement options.
 - 3. Constituent Society Relationships Task Group - In our 24th Sep. 2021 Council meeting, we have approved formation of this Task group, which will be led by Catherine Griffith and will consist of seven members, we have finalized five members and will be finalizing two members very soon. The purpose of this Task Group is to “Provide recommendations to Council on the distinction between the role of APEGS as the regulator and the role of regional societies / sections / chapters and the relationship between them”. Council had also approved a draft of the Terms of Reference for this Task Group. This task group will be reporting to Council and at present we do not have any timeline for this report submission.
- 7. Representative from U of S Engineering Greetings Suzane Kresta, P. Eng.
 - a. Was not in attendance to the meeting

8. Nomination Committee-presentation of Candidates

President	Sumith Kahanda, PhD, P. Eng., PMP, CSSGB	
Past President	Juniper Willard, P. Eng.	
Vice-President	Arian Andkhoie, P. Eng.	
Secretary	Travis Zimmermann, P. Eng.	
Treasurer	Zygmunt Kowal, P. Eng.	
Directors (4-6)	Rajesh Shah, P. Eng.	- Nominee
	Jeremy Nelson, P. Eng. (Carry-Over from 2020/1	
	Akinniyi Akinpelu, P. Eng.	- Nominee
	Vinay Parab, EIT (Carry-Over from 2020/01)	
	Edwin Van Der Spruy, Engineer-in-Training	- Nominee
	Anil Sharma Engineer-in-Training	- Nominee

from floor

Motion to close nominations moved by Ziggy, and seconded by Arian
Motion is accepted

Motion to accept nominations as presented and elect by Anil and seconded by Ifeanyi
Motion is accepted, board as described above is now elected for 2021-2022.

9. Appointed Representatives

U of S	Emmanuel Sacchi, P.Eng.
APEGS	Ashok Thakkar, P.Eng.
SESS	Joanne Alawes

10. Other Business- Past President plaque presented to Juniper Willard, P.Eng

- Juniper has led multiple committees and has a devotion to many different people so that this group can keep function even in hard times.

11. Awards:

- SES Engineer of the Year Award (Juniper to introduce award recipient)
 - Sheri Praski, P.Eng
 - Thank you so much for the award and all the work the SES is doing
- SES Educator of the Year Award (Sumith to introduce award recipient)
 - Professor C.Y. Chung P.Eng.
 - This award has recognized my past accomplishments and my research and thank you for my nominator and my previous supervisors and colleagues for his past development.

12. Presenting of Prizes for Contests/Riddles

- Anil won the question for the first round
- Ross won the question for the second round.

13. Adjourn Business Meet

- Edwin motions to adjourn meeting, Travis seconds it
 - Motion passed.
 - Meeting adjourned 845PM

Participants:

Travis Zimmermann, Juniper Willard, Sheri Praski, Sumith Kahanda MC, Zygmunt, C.Y. Chung, Anil Sharma, , Edwin van der Spuy, Ifeanyi Ossai, Akinniyi Akinpelu, Arian Andkhole, Ashok Thakkar, Brad Woroniuk, Edwin Edquist, Kai Li, Kasey Burgess, Mahmoud Etemadi, Margaret Kuzyk, Norman, Rajika Goonewardane, Rick Agrey, Ross Welford, Shahab Minaei, Tayo Ojo, Kelly Yili Tang, Kenneth Apostol, James Wilson, Bhaversh Patel, Zhouxiang Ding, Ramin,