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St. Louis Chapter



St. Louis Chapter of the Geo-Institute

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date and Time: January 11, 2024, 4:00 PM

Meeting Location: Armory STL: 3660 Market St, St. Louis, MO 63110

Meeting Attendees: Xiaomin You, Zack Fallert, Travis Kasserbaum, Dennis Boll, Greg Hempen, Pat Kinsella, Beya Kazadi, Jake Schaeffer, Laura Sutton, Matt Masterson

1. Finance Update, current Fiscal Year.

- a. Account has about \$31k
 - i. Still waiting on Geoconfluence expenses
 - 1. One more meeting expected to finalize
- b. \$900 remaining for student sponsorships

2. Structural and Geo-Confluence 2023

- a. Waiting on final numbers

3. Scholarship Update

- a. No updates

4. Student Sponsorships

- a. \$900 remaining
 - i. Zack to send email to universities regarding additional funds to help with other trips

5. Webinars and Events

- a. March Luncheon
 - i. March 12th
 - ii. We need speaker by mid February
 - 1. Greg Hempen can speak on seismic
 - 2. Jeff Hill grouting in karst
 - iii. Xiaomin to send another email blast.
- b. Case Histories:
 - i. Need call for abstracts to go out in January.
 - 1. Dr. Luna reserved room at SLU.
 - 2. Il Monastero - Sanctuary (MPR 100)
 - ii. 4/24/24 (Wednesday)
 - iii. Instead of typical case histories, have more experience people discuss lessons learned and then a panel discussion (need questions and moderator)
 - iv. Zack to reach out to universities.
 - 1. (one month before event for deadline)
- c. Webinar/Seminar
 - i. Xiaomin to look up potential speaker email in Constant Contact.

- ii. Zack to reach out.

6. Miscellaneous Items:

- a. Best Chapter Award
 - i. No update
- b. Adopt an Engineer Mentoring Program
 - i. Need mentors to volunteer.
 - ii. Reach out to Travis.
 - iii. MS&T looking to do something similar.
 - iv. Geological Society of America has similar program.
- c. GI Chapter Summit
 - i. Xiaomin or Travis best candidates.
 - ii. Local ASCE reimburses flight and hotel.
 - iii. National ASCE may cover additional costs.
 - iv. Xiaomin to track down deadline.
- d. Dr. Gomez wants to lead a group to talk to legislators about earthquake and seismic issues in the industry.
 - i. Looking for volunteers to go the capital on Feb 6 (Tuesday).
 - ii. Greg to send info to Xiaomin who will include in email blast

7. Next meeting:

- a. **Date and Time: February 13, 2024, 7:30 AM**
- b. **Location: Microsoft Teams**