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St. Louis Chapter



St. Louis Chapter of the Geo-Institute

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date and Time: November 15, 2023, 4:30 PM

Meeting Location: Helen Fitzgerald's Irish Grill and Pub

Meeting Attendees: Xiaomin You, Travis Kassebaum, Zack Fallert, Shari Cunningham, Jeff Hill

1. Finance Update, current Fiscal Year.

- a. Account has just over \$53k
 - i. High due to Geoconfluence deposits
 - ii. Waiting on expenses

2. Structural and Geo-Confluence 2023

- a. Registrations
 - i. 194 paid attendees
 - ii. 14 no-shows
 - iii. 22 exhibitors
 - iv. 40 students total; funded 22

3. Scholarship Update

- a. No updates

4. Student Sponsorships

- a. \$900 remaining
- b. Possible upcoming request for S&T event

5. Webinars and Events

- a. Plan to have joint event with AEG again in January/February
 - i. Provide information to Allison Graves
 - ii. Include YMG in planning.
- b. Webinar/Seminar
 - i. Richard Bird attended meeting at first and would like to give a presentation on construction dewatering.
 1. Need to get his schedule.
 2. Possible for Case Histories or March luncheon
 3. Used to lunch presentations with Pizza in an office conference room. This is cheap option.
 4. Zack will reach out to get his desired schedule.
- c. Case Histories:
 - i. Need call for abstracts to go out in January.
 - ii. Cannot use Engineer's club events any longer. We need to talk to Dr. Luna for using SLU facilities.

- d. March Luncheon
 - i. Need to have speaker lined up by Feb 1st.

6. Miscellaneous Items:

- a. GI STL Chapter Bylaws
 - i. Shari motioned to approve. Travis seconded.
 - ii. New by-laws approved.
- b. Best Chapter Award
 - i. Applications due this Friday, Nov. 17th.
 - ii. Under review/edits by committee members
- c. Adopt an Engineer Mentoring Program
 - i. Idea was included in email blast to request mentors.
 - ii. We will compile volunteers and hold more detailed meetings within that group.
 - iii. Need to pitch idea to schools in spring to start program in fall 2024.
 - iv. Travis to set up committee meeting in January.

7. Next meeting:

- a. **Date and Time: December 11, 2023, 5:00 PM**
- b. **Location: Squires Restaurant and Annex; 1415 S 18th St, Saint Louis, MO 63104**