Mining and Exploration Division

Annual Business Meeting

2:00 PM February 18, 2015

Colorado Convention Center Four Seasons Ballroom 2-3

Agenda

Attendees:

Sam Shoemaker

Jim Humphrey

Jess Kindler

Jami Dwyer

Brad Atkinson

Catherine Dreesbach

George Sanders

Bill Warfield

Harry Parker

Don Dwyer

Ron Parratt

Pedram Rostami

Jamal Rostami

Ruby Barickman

Daniel Rosenbach

Rahul Thareja

Claudio Cassio

Shaun Graber

Chris Roos

1. Welcome and Introductions (Sam) open at 2:19 by Sam Shoemaker
	1. Thanks to Cat and Executive Committee
2. 2015 Annual Meeting Update Programming (Jim Humphrey)
	1. 174 papers 31 sessions, well attended.
	2. Working with Jess on Lessons learned (form letters) and recommendations for improvements.
	3. We need Krumb lecture candidates this year,
3. 2016 Annual Meeting Update Programming (Jess Kindler)
	1. Same bucket for next year, Geol, management, operations, technology.
	2. Targeting less than 31 sessions (30)
	3. Matt Blattman (Management), Mike Armstrong (Technology), Jeff Cornoyer (Geology), Greg Sutton (Operations)
	4. Future for mining in a data driven world
	5. Focus on western mining and Mexico
	6. Thanks to those who have signed up.
	7. Spanish language sessions are up to Chairs
4. Silent Auction Review (Bob)
	1. Total funds generated in the silent auction were $5,818.
	2. Good assortment of items, but lower amount due to lower attendance.
	3. 4 tables sponsored
		1. New person on staff working sponsorships this year, Jess Kindler would like to take on to manage for next year. Jim Humphrey will also help.
		2. All tables go straight into scholarships, this year: Agapito & Associates, Hitachi, KGHM.
		3. Coal and Energy received $60K this year.
		4. Those who sponsor really need to be recognized…
		5. Jess Kindler sourced an additional $4,500 that would not have been recievedc otherwise.
		6. Consider changing how we recognize sponsors in awards.
		7. Changes in SME staff will likely result in higher oversight by M&E to guide processes and improvement.
		8. Need to remain aware of loads on Steve Kral.
			1. Any concerns regarding SME staff and M&E should go to Cat Dreesbach.
5. Bylaws and Handbook Update (Cat)
	1. In process of being written, will be solved this year
	2. Items that needed to be updated in how the division is ran now
	3. Everyone felt overwhelmed due to multiple award committees,
	4. Executive Committee reviewed and provided no comments
	5. To be reviewed by Strategy and Governance Committee for April publication in Mining Engineering
	6. Executive Committee members remain on award committees but more members nominated in addition to, for load reduction, more transparent, open communication
	7. Big Thanks to Cat for doing this!!
6. Involvement in M&E (Sam)
	1. Membership retention is low hanging fruit, ways to improve involvement, need to track and measure relative to rest of society
	2. Health & Safety Division will likely reduce numbers to M&E and others
	3. Membership loss for SME is around 5 to 6%
	4. Strategic goal for SME Board to address retention.
7. New Business
	1. Harry Parker Reserves and Resources Committee
		1. 25 years with first SME Guide in 1992
		2. Frisco (8 members)
		3. Active for 2014 SME Guide
		4. Initiate dialogue with SEC, with academic assistance (2 years expected to achieve), SME stand strong to see issues are included to SEC guide 7
			1. Public reporting of Inferred and indicated resources
			2. Preparation of reports by competent persons, not common to petroleum, SPE has no registered competent person designation (registration) possibly have NMA backing.
		5. Will advise what M&E can do to get involved, looking for environmental background people.
		6. Goal is to keep SEC on track and prove SME is a resource.
	2. Motion: The M&E Committee to support Resources and Reserves Committee by Bill Warfield, second from Cat Dreesbach with all in favor no opposed.
		1. Establish way to work on SME image as a professional org. Especially in Washington.
	3. Motion: proposed that going forward, M&E schedules a room for the after luncheon business meeting instead of the room. Second by Jim Humphrey with unanimous by all with no opposed.
	4. Track that those in a committee who are nominated need to show up.
		1. Many nominated do not know they were nominated…
		2. SME moving towards a pyramid committee and division structure.
		3. Q- When is the blue book reviewed, and how can people know where and when they need to be where they need to be.
	5. **Agenda Item** for Mid-year with feedback from nominees on committees for how we can improve information and communication process.
	6. We need a process for inbounding a new person to a committee.
	7. SME staff review bluebook list of names to make sure they are correct each year.
	8. M&E reaches out
	9. Would be nice to recognize the session chairs
		1. Write chair recognition in the ME or Rock in the Box (Talk with Steve Kral)
		2. Luncheon recognition also, printed certificates,
		3. Letter to be for communication to the chair/speaker’s boss showing value of participation
		4. Further discussion at mid-year.
8. Next Meeting
	1. Chair and speaker recognition (Mag and Luncheon) discussion with Steve Kral present.
	2. Scholarships: increase either number or amount.
		1. Need to move the correct amount over to scholarships, decision to made at Mid Year
		2. **Action Item** – Allocation adjustment of scholarship amounts to be discussed
	3. Meeting in Lexington, KY
9. Meeting Close at 2:59 PM
	1. Jess Kindler: Move to adjourn, second by Don Dwyer. Unanimous with none opposed.