



AIPG MN – ExCom Meeting Agenda

May 16, 2025 (11 AM to 12 PM Central)

Microsoft Teams

Meeting Prep: Review Agenda

Meeting Purpose: AIPG Minnesota ExCom Meeting to discuss future activities, talks and progress with the board and bring up any requests from the board or members.

President		President-Elect		Vice President		Secretary		Treasurer	
X	Marian Kramer		Rob Blakeley	X	Vanessa Demuth	X	Judy Andrews		Brayden Kuester
Section Directors				Fundraising Chair		Membership Chair		Education Chair	
	Alex Blel ('24-25)	X	Ivanka Woddell ('24-25)	X	Jake Dalbec		(Open Position)	X	Jake Dalbec
X	Mike Torres ('25-26)		Sophia Link ('25-26)	Reg & Leg Chair/AELSLAGID			Screening Chair		
X	Dan Hunter ('25)	X	Eric Lonetti ('25-26)	X	Dan Hunter		X	Dan Hunter	
Nominating Chair		DE&I Chair		Webmasters					
	(Open Position)		(Open Position)	X	Shanna Schmitt		Miller Gruenewald		
<i>Do we meet the requirements to have a quorum for this meeting? (6/11, Officers and Directors)</i>									
x	Yes		No						

Agenda:

1. Call to Order – 11:03
2. Roll Call
3. Approve [past meeting minutes](#)
 - a. Feb, March, April 2025
 - b. Dan moves to approve, Judy seconds, all approve.
4. Business for Discussion
 - a. MGS funding letter of support – Updates



- i. MGS thankful of our letters of support. Committee members mentioned they got a lot of letters and response. Kudos to Jake for putting the letter together!
- ii. Dan says the budget is the biggest hurdle, we'll have to wait and see if the effort was successful.

5. Committee Chair Updates

- a. Screening Committee – Dan Hunter
 - i. No new applicants for CPG
- b. Regulation and Legislative/ASBOG Committee – Dan Hunter
 - i. Still waiting for the housekeeping bill a couple years ago to go through
 - ii. New director at AELSLAGID (Kate Van Etta-Olson)
- c. Membership Committee – (Open position)
- d. Sponsorship Committee - (Open position)
- e. Fundraising Committee – Jake Dalbec
 - i. August Golf Scramble and Bike Ride updates
 - 1. Jake Met with Stillwater Country Club last week and have a handshake deal to not raise rates. Will be a 1pm start time with a dinner, instead of morning with lunch.
 - 2. Mike Torres will be leading the bike ride, provided the weather/temperature is not accommodating.
 - 3. Marian raises concerns about having an afternoon game with dinner that will interfere with people's evening schedules. Jake says a noon start time is possible. He will check.
 - 4. Question from Ivanka: Can we make it family friendly? How about a hybrid auction so we don't miss out on donations if people leave early?
 - 5. Planning a May meeting to help plan. Looking for volunteers!
 - ii. Request for donations for silent auctions – start now!
- f. Education Committee – Jake Dalbec
 - i. Grant and scholarship committee has four candidates that they'd like to award with \$1,000 each.
 - 1. Dan Hunter moves to approve \$4,000 to the education committee to award four \$1K grants. Ivanka seconds. All approve, no nays.
 - ii. Geologist in the Classroom opportunities
 - 1.
 - iii. Science Fair liaison needed for 2026
 - 1. Looking for help to pass out awards and recruit judges.



- iv. Possible student grant sponsorship discussion (\$1,500 ask from National)
 - 1. Jake recommends skipping this year and encouraging people to apply for the MN AIPG scholarship instead.
 - g. DE&I Committee – (Open position, Dan Hunter/Interim Chair)
 - i. [DEI Moments Tracker.docx](#)
 - ii. NEED DEI moment volunteers for the technical talks!
 - iii. Next meeting is in August
 - h. Nominating Committee – (Marian Kramer)
 - i. 2026 openings: President-Elect and Vice President
 - i. Social Committee – Shanna Schmitt & Katie McGinnis
6. Officer Updates
- a. Pres – Marian
 - b. President-Elect – Rob
 - i. Beer fest – will AIPG have any issues with being associated with a beer fest?
 - c. VP – Vanessa
 - i. Both hybrid meetings have been a success.
 - ii. Some tentative speakers are lined up for next year.
 - iii. Any ideas on venue for other hybrid meetings?
 - iv. Upcoming topics (just a taste):
 - 1. Pulsar helium
 - 2. Geology of Western Australia
 - 3. PFAS
 - 4. Microplastics?
 - d. Secretary – Judy will PDF and upload January through April meeting notes
 - e. Treasurer – Brayden (absent)
 - i. CD proposal: 1) 3.92% Interest for 5 months and 2) 3.63% Interest for 9 months.
 - ii. Proposing to invest half our funds.
7. Adjournment 11:58

ADJOURNED UNTIL FALL!!! HAPPY SUMMER!!!