

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

27 April 2016 (Wednesday), 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Atwood
Building Room 1450, Anchorage Teleconference (1-800-315-6338,
Code: 50077#)

(Questions: Contact Buzz Scher, Chair: bscher@rmconsult.com; 907-952-6871 cell)

I. OPENING BUSINESS

- Call to Order-*Scher*; Roll call – John Aho, Ann Gravier, Laura Kelly, Robert Scher, De Anne Stevens, and Michael West were present. Charity Carmody had a scheduling conflict and arrived at 10:40 a.m. Gary Carver and Michael Holman were excused. April Woolery from DGGs was also present. Guests: None
- Approval of the Agenda – Kelly moved, West seconded. All in favor, agenda approved with additions: Alaska Earthquake Monitoring Work Group and Earthquake Early Warning Group.
- Ethics Act – No conflicts to report.
- Roster – Still need two Local Government representatives. Names of candidates have been forwarded to Boards and Commissions.
- Election of Commission Chair and Vice-Chair: West nominated, Gravier seconded to nominate Buzz Scher for Chair. All in favor. Aho moved, West seconded to nominate Kelly for Vice-Chair. All in favor.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- 11 March Meeting Minutes – West moved, Aho seconded. Minutes approved with no changes.
- Iniskin Earthquake Briefing Memo – Stevens: One-page report on the event in January. Commission members to review prior to posting online. Discussion of effects of event.
- Proposed ASHSC 2016 Policy Recommendations - All: At the March 2016 meeting, two draft policy recommendation updates were forwarded to members for review. Discussion of Alaska post-earthquake online clearing house. Motion to adopt failed five to one: deferred for more information. Discussion of draft policy recommendation regarding earthquake engineering basic knowledge requirements for professional engineering licensure. Aho motioned, Kelly seconded, to accept. Discussion followed. Motion to adopt failed unanimously. Aho moved, Gravier seconded, to reconsider adoption after further discussion with other groups. All in favor.
- Native Village of Noatak questions about seismic and infrastructure issues – Scher: Discussed at March meeting, letter of response to be reviewed by commission members. Discussion of ASHSC role in disseminating information. Aho moved, West seconded to send the letter with references for information cited. All in favor.
- Western States Seismic Policy Council (WSSPC) Draft Policy Recommendations – All: 2016 Policy Recommendations to be updated by WSSPC members. West motioned, Carmody seconded to accept the WSSPC draft policy recommendations. All in favor. Ann Gravier will attend the WSSPC annual meeting.

III. COMMITTEE PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

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- Earthquake Scenario – **Scher, for Carver**
 - *Kodiak Earthquake Scenario Report* – No new updates at this time.
- Schools – **Kelly**
 - As of the March meeting, the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District was the next choice for Rapid Visual Screening. Kelly has received confirmation from the district Superintendent, Dr. Karen Gaborik. Kelly and Gravier will proceed with coordination and funding.
- Response, Recovery – **Gravier**
 - Feedback on information sources for FEMA hazard mitigation funding.
- Fact Sheet on the Commission – **West**
 - Fact sheet draft on the ASHSC for commission member review.
- Insurance – **Carmody**
 - Finding information on how much of the population of a given area has earthquake insurance will take time. Rate information is available, and current rates remain consistent with the brochure that Gravier is working on.
- Hazards ID – **Stevens**
 - No report.
- Chair's Report – **Scher** –
 - Certificates have been mailed to Rich Koehler and Jon Owen for their service on the Commission. Researching formatting requirements for the Alaska Dispatch when submitting material.
- Other – None.

12:00 p.m. LUNCH BREAK

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- Public Comments – None.
- Review of ASHSC Strategic Plan – All: Discussion of Commission's role and future goals and possible modification of Commission membership. Discussed at last meeting. Suggestion to modify requirements for filling the Commission roster to allow more flexibility in membership.
- Other – Alaska Earthquake Monitoring Work Group and earthquake early warning– West: The Alaska Earthquake Monitoring Work Group was recently formed and will soon meet. ASHSC member West will help coordinate with this group. Interest in earthquake early warning is a result of activity by private "earthquake early warning" companies following the Iniskin event in January. Discussion of possible Commission response.

V. BRIEFINGS

- Other Entities (*AEC, DHS&EM, DGGs, MOA-GAC, other*) – Stevens reported progress on filling Rich Koehler's position at DGGs. Possible job offer by the end of May. West reported that about a third of the Earthscope array has been deployed, but by the end of this summer, most of the array should be in place. The aftermath of Iniskin event continues. The Iniskin event was highlighted at the Seismological Society Meeting in Reno last week.
- Conferences & Meetings of Interest – **All**
 - *2016 Association of American State Geologists Annual Meeting; June 2016;*

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- Girdwood http://www.stategeologists.org/upcoming_meetings.php?id=251
- National Earthquake Program Managers Meeting; 2-3 May 2016; Long Beach, California
<http://eqprogram.net>
 - 2016 National Earthquake Conference; 4-6 May 2016; Long Beach, California
<http://earthquakeconference.org/>
 - WSSPC Annual Meeting; 6 May 2016; Long Beach, CA <http://wsspc.org>

VI. CLOSING BUSINESS

- Review/Update Action Items List – **Scher** – Updates on progress.
- Staff Report – Available funds as of last month: \$5,460. No new information available, but new numbers will be provided next month after final travel costs are available. Consideration of expenditures.
- **Next Meeting TBA**

VII. ADJOURNMENT

4:00 p.m.

- West moved, Stevens seconded to adjourn. All in favor.