

AGS Board Meeting – December 3, 2009

1. Call to Order 11:34 am.

Members present:

Anchorage

Al Hunter
Ken Helmold
Dick Garrard
Chad Hults (on conference phone)
Rick Levinson
Laura Silliphant
Tom Plawman

Fairbanks

Jim Clough
Marwan Wartes

2. Approve minutes: Laura motioned to approve October Minutes, Rick seconded; motion passed unanimously.

3. Treasure's Report (Al Hunter):

- Closed Morgan Stanley account and transferred to First National Bank (see treasure's report for balance details).
- Received \$800 in donations
- CHECK WITH YOUR EMPLOYER TO FIND OUT IF THEY HAVE MATCHING FUNDS OR "PAY FOR HOURS VOLUNTEERED."

4. Monthly Lecture (Ken):

- Ken will be absent and Al will be directing next lecture.
- Every speaker has confirmed:

Date	Speaker	Affiliation	Title
1/21/2010	Bill Morris / Mark Scheihing	ConocoPhillips	Karoo basin sedimentology
2/18/2010	Mark Myers	SOA-DNR	Geology and politics of AGIA
3/18/2010	Pat Druckenmiller	UAF/UAMuseum	Mesozoic marine reptiles
4/15/2010	Don Gautier	USGS - Reston	What is in the KIC well?
5/20/2010	Brigette Martini	Ormat	Geothermal prospects of Mt. Spurr

5. Community Education Committee Update (Ken – for Jana)

Earth Science Week

- Glaciers and Sea Level Change Activity at Muldoon Library
 - AGS members Jana Lage and Jerry Siok were prepared to run the Glacier and Sea Level activity at the Muldoon Library. No participants came to the activity. This activity will probably be run during one of the library summer “camps”
- Arctic Food Web Activity at Loussac Library
 - Jana Lage ran the activity. More than 20 kids participated in the activity creating an Arctic Food Web Mobile. They all seemed to enjoy the activity, and the library considered it a success.
- Climate Essay Contest
 - There were no submissions for the contest.

General Outreach

- Turnagain Elementary
 - Jana Lage gave a presentation about geology to 75 fourth grade students at Turnagain Elementary School on November 17th. She obtained an AMEREF (Alaska Resource Education) Kit for the contact Teacher Anna Walker and was able to use the rock kit as part of the presentation. This was a great success; the teachers were very happy.

Upcoming Events

- Science Fair Workshop
 - Jana Lage will be leading a workshop about how to use the scientific method and create a project for the Alaska State Science and Engineering Fair. This will take place at 2 p.m. at the Muldoon Library on December 18, 2009. The information is posted on the AGS web site.

6. Field Trip Insurance:

- Ken and others will meet with the director of the Alaska Museum of Natural History about field trip cooperation. An agreement may require field trips to be open to general public and be less technical.
- Tom Plawman knows that the Denali National Park MSLC conducts fieldtrips in the park. Phil Brease has done field trips for them.
- Discussed field trip ideas:
 - Suntrana/Usibelli Mine/Nenana Canyon schist
 - Phil Brease – Denali Park Road
 - Hatcher Pass
 - Kenai Peninsula (Marwan)
 - McArthy
 - Glenn Hwy

- Matanuska Valley Surficial (Reger?)

7. Annual AGS symposium:

- Need to book Energy Center (how about April 15 during Luncheon?)
- Ken and Jim will be heading up the symposium.

8. December 2010 luncheon: The third Thursday of the month is available for the luncheon talk but we decided to keep the talk scheduled for the second Thursday to keep from getting too close to the holidays.

8. New Items

- Robert has announced the 2010 Scholarship to all Alaska universities and all known Alaska researchers across the country. Anyone knowing a professor that is working in Alaska – please send out a notification.
- Pick-Click-and-Give – Need to apply in April for the following year.
- 2011 AAPG meeting - Dave Hite has negotiated the minimum number of rooms down to 700. Conoco-Phillips has confirmed Bayview for core workshop.

12:33 pm Adjourn: Laura motioned, Al seconded.