Canadian Chapter IECA 2019 Annual General Meeting

March 19, 2019, Pearson Convention Centre, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. EDT

Present: Mark Myrowich, Glenn MacMillan, Harry Reinders, Ron Bisaillon, Risa Olekshy, Chris Thomson, Gilles Rivard, Miles Torch, Robert Wills, Brad Fairley, Samantha Roe, Adam Dibble, Sylvie Spraakman, Lauren Alaniz

1. Approval of Minutes – Harry made motion to approve the minutes of the meeting for February 27, 2019. Seconded by Risa. Approved by all.

2. IECA Update – IECA focusing on providing more resources to support local education e.g. roadshows. Looking to open a Canadian bank account. Looking to amalgamate regions 1 and 2 into one association. Members will be asked to vote on decision. 1400 attendees at this year’s annual conference in Denver. 17 countries represented.

3. Financial Report – Mark provided a summary of current financial details. $88,736.61 balance in our bank account at end of year 2018. $45,000 to be paid to CSA for next standard. Chris made motion to approve the budget. Seconded by Risa. Approved by all.

4. CANIECA U of T Student Club – Sylvie Spraakman provided a summary of the student club events i.e. technical seminars, career events etc. Chapter provided $500 to support club activities


6. Vancouver Rainwater Management Symposium – April 8th at the Creekside Community Centre in Vancouver. 5 exhibit booths (sold out) and 1 sponsor (Profile Products), focusing on registration of attendees

7. Montreal Symposium – 3rd annual event scheduled for April 16th, 30 people registered to date

8. 2019 Activity Plan – Brad organizing a one day stream restoration workshop for the fall in the Toronto area. Ron looking into the possibility of a field training event in partnership with Sir Sandford Fleming College and Kawartha Region Conservation Authority. Sylvie interested in organizing a networking event with CANIECA members and U of T students.


10. CSA Standards Update – CSA is developing a communication and outreach strategy for the Inspection & Monitoring Standard. The first meeting for the Technical Subcommittee for the Installation & Maintenance Standard was held this morning. Standard will include key considerations for 11 erosion and sediment control products. Anticipated completion by September 2021
11. Executive Assistant – Mark informed us that Richelle Triska is no longer available to assist the Chapter. Harry made motion to hire Aileen Booker MacMillan until the end of September to provide support for the Chapter i.e. maintain and update our website, social media etc. $25/hour maximum $500/month. Seconded by Mark. Approved by all.

12. Discussion – Mark made a motion that the Canadian Chapter recommend that the IECA 2022 Annual Conference be held in Minneapolis. Seconded by Glenn. Approved by all. Harry discussed the idea of Chapter Awards.