



AGM REPORT

Alberta Land Surveyors' Association

April 2000

The membership of the Alberta Land Surveyors' Association met on April 14 and 15, 2000 in Jasper, Alberta for its annual general meeting. What follows is a summary of the results of the recommendations and new business motions.

Recommendation #1: Pupil Bylaw Amendment

It was MOVED by Francis Prefontaine, seconded by Jerry Rasmuson, that the bylaws be amended as follows to create a Pupil category giving Articled Students the same rights and privileges as they currently have.

Motion Carried

That **Section 1** be amended by adding Pupil to the definition of "member."

"member" means an Alberta Land Surveyor, Honourary Life Member, Retired Member, Honourary Member, **Pupil**, Associate Member, or an Affiliate Member.

That **Section 51** be amended by adding the category of Pupil to the list of membership categories.

That **Section 51(6)** be established and read:

Pupil

Council shall confer membership in the Association as a Pupil to any individual whose articles have been approved by the Registration Committee pursuant to Section 3 of the Examination & Training Regulation under the Land Surveyors Act.

A Pupil is required to pay an annual fee in accordance with Council policy.

A Pupil may attend any Annual General Meeting or special meeting of the Association and is entitled to discuss, but may not propose any motion or resolution before the meeting and may vote on all matters except professional legislation and standards of practice.

A Pupil may sit as a member on any committee of the Association, except a statutory committee.

An Articled Student may use the designation "ALSA Pupil."

Membership shall be cancelled upon the articles being terminated pursuant to the Examination and Training Regulation under the Land Surveyors Act.

That **Section 52(1)(k)** be established and read:
for pupils, a sum not exceeding annually \$100 or a lesser sum as may be fixed by Council.

Recommendation #2: Integrated Surveys

It was MOVED by Rick Beaumont, seconded by Ross Woolgar that the following be appended to Part C, Section 5.4 of the Manual of Standard Practice:

Where no new control ties are undertaken, notes should be added to the plan legend stating:

*(i) grid bearings are assumed;
(ii) the grid bearings are copied from Plan # _____*

Information required under Part D, Section 1.14.3 is optional. The assumed bearings shall be identified in the body of the plan.

Motion Defeated

Recommendation #3a: Monumentation & Plan Requirements for RPRs

It was MOVED by Larry Pals, seconded by Blaine Benson, that "excepting thereout the provisions of Sections 40(3) and 42(3)" be added after the words "Surveys Act" and that the second paragraph be deleted in Part D, Section 7.3 of the Manual of Standard Practice.

Motion Carried

Amendment #1

It was MOVED by Vince Ziegler, seconded by Lyall Pratt, that "...and that the second paragraph be deleted in Part D, Section 7.3 of the Manual of Standard Practice..." be deleted from the main motion.

Motion Defeated

Part D, Section 7.3 now reads:

A surveyor performing a survey to prepare an Alberta Land Surveyor's Real Property Report shall locate and confirm sufficient survey monuments according to the Surveys Act **excepting thereout the provisions of Sections 40(3) and 42(3)** to define the boundaries of the parcel.

The location or the theoretical establishment of all related block corners for all surveys registered after February 16, 1912 and before June 12, 1988 is required. All other surveys require the location or establishment of statutory lot corners.



**Recommendation #3b:
Monumentation & Plan
Requirements for Wellsites**

It was MOVED by Larry Pals, seconded by Bruce Winton that “excepting thereout the provisions of Sections 40(3) and 42(3)” be added after the words “Surveys Act” in Part D, Section 5.2.1 of the Manual of Standard Practice.

Motion Carried

Part D, Section 5.2.1 now reads:

Where the boundaries of a wellsite or related facility purport to define a property boundary, the said boundary shall be defined in accordance with the Surveys Act *excepting thereout the provisions of Sections 40(3) and 42(3) to define the boundaries of the parcel.*

**Recommendation #4a:
Coordinate Based Cadastre**

It was MOVED by Rob Scott, seconded by Bruce Winton that the ALSA membership receive the Coordinate Based Cadastre Report and the recommendations contained therein.

Motion Carried

**Recommendation #4b:
Coordinate Based Cadastre
Test Project**

It was MOVED by Bruce Winton, seconded by Rob Scott, that the membership accept the recommendation for a test project in accordance with the proposal that was submitted to Council on February 24, 2000.

Motion Carried

**Recommendation #5:
Professional Maintenance**

It was MOVED by Bruce Gudim, seconded by Larry Pals, that the membership approve the Professional Maintenance Program as proposed by the Professional Development Committee.

Motion Carried

**New Business
Recommendation #1:
Statutory Boundary Tribunal**

It was MOVED by Bill Hunter, seconded by David Thomson, that it is recommended that the Council of the ALSA consider establishing a committee charged with preparing a “white paper” for presentation to the Government of Alberta with respect to establishing a statutory boundary tribunal to provide an avenue to resolve boundary uncertainties and disputes as an alternative to resorting to the court process.

Motion Carried

**New Business
Recommendation #2:
Acquiring and Maintaining
Plans**

It was MOVED by Gerald Whaley, seconded by Wayne Hucik, that it is recommended that Council meet and negotiate with representatives of the provincial government for the purpose of acquiring and maintaining the plans at the Land Titles Office, Public Lands Administration, Energy Utilities Board and other government departments holding plans prepared by Alberta Land Surveyors.

Motion Defeated

**New Business
Recommendation #3:
Copyright**

It was MOVED by Gerald Whaley, seconded by Wayne Hucik, that it is recommended that the Council of the Alberta Land Surveyors’ Association establish a committee to investigate the acquisition of copyright covering all Alberta Land Surveyors’ plans and documents, establish a budget of \$10,000 for the said committee and assist the said committee in their mandate.

Motion Defeated

**New Business
Recommendation #4: Public
Lands Standards**

It was MOVED by Paul Ellegood, seconded by Mike Grosz, that it is recommended that Council direct a committee to liaise with the “Technical Services Branch” of public lands to compile a written list of standards pertaining to survey drawings submitted to this department (eg: LOCs and PLAs), in order to obtain some consistency in their requirements specifically dealing with areas to be taken for various dispositions and regarding overlapping areas (eg: LOC on MSL, PLA on PLA, etc.).

Motion Carried