

ATLANTIC UNIVERSITIES GEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE CONSTITUTION

Amended October 26, 1996

ARTICLE I:

Name: Atlantic Universities Geological Conference

ARTICLE II:

Purpose of the Conference:

- (1) To meet other geology students from other universities in the Atlantic Provinces.
- (2) To stimulate interest in the geological sciences and associated fields.
- (3) To provide an opportunity for undergraduates to present papers.

ARTICLE III:

Members:

Acadia University	The Fletcher Geology Club, Wolfville, NS
Memorial University	The Alexander Murray Geology Club, St. John's, NL
Dalhousie University	The Dawson Geology Club, Halifax, NS
St. Francis Xavier University	The Faribault Geological Society, Antigonish NS
University of New Brunswick	The Bailey Geological Society, Fredericton, NB
St. Mary's University	The D. Hope-Simpson Geology Club, Halifax, NS

Any geological society affiliated with a university in the Atlantic Provinces may become a member of the Conference provided that it accepts the responsibility of holding the Conference when designated as host. *The following conditions apply.* Your society may remain a member of the Conference up to the year it fails to host. In this event, your society should inform the next hosting society of this decision (at least one year before your society's year to host) such that necessary preparations can be made. Students may attend conferences by their own expense even if their society failed to host. If there is a student speaker whose society is not part of the Conference, funds should be provided for that student.

ARTICLE IV:

Place:

- (1) The host of the Conference shall be decided at the Executive Meeting each year following the rotation method if possible.
- (2) The rotation system will be used in Article III and the position of any new members shall be decided at the Executive Meeting of the year in which they are accepted into the Conference.

ARTICLE V:

Responsibilities of the Societies:

- (1) The host society will sponsor six delegates from Memorial University and three delegates from mainland universities.

- (2) The host society will be responsible for subsidizing for meals, accommodations, and transportation of the sponsored delegates to and from the Conference. However this will depend on the financial condition of the host society.
- (3) Hosting mainland societies will be responsible for transportation to the conference of six designated delegates from Memorial University. In its turn, Memorial University will be responsible for transportation to the conference of three designated delegates from each mainland society. Also each mainland society will sponsor three additional delegates from among its members to the conference when hosted by Memorial University.
- (4) All participating societies must provide the host society with the names of its designated delegates at least ten days before the conference or the host society will be relieved of all obligations to that society.
- (5) Each individual society shall be responsible for damage occurred at the conference by members of the society.

ARTICLE VI:

Papers:

- (1) Papers shall deal with some respect of earth sciences with a time limit of twenty minutes and a question period of ten minutes.
- (2) If the host society receives a copy of an abstract at least ten days prior to the conference, the host society will be responsible for duplication and distribution of the abstract. Otherwise, the responsibility lies with the society sponsoring the paper.
- (3) The order of paper presentations shall be determined by chance. The lottery will be performed by the host society prior to the conference.
- (4) The Atlantic Provinces Council on the Sciences (A.P.I.C.S.) will award a prize of \$100.00 to the student with the best paper.
- (5) The Canadian Society of Petroleum Geologists will award a trophy plus \$100.00 in publications to the best oral presentation. The winning society will be responsible for engraving and bringing the trophy to the next conference.
- (6) The Mining Society of Nova Scotia will award the Frank S. Shea Memorial Award of \$75.00 to the student presenting the best Economic paper on the geology of Atlantic Canada plus \$100.00 to the geology club sponsoring the student.

ARTICLE VII:

Time:

The time shall be no later than November 15th and the clubs shall be notified of the date at least one month to date in advance, in writing. In the event that the Conference falls on November 11th a two minute silence will be observed in honour of the dead.

ARTICLE VIII:

Executive Meeting:

- (1) The host society shall appoint the chairman, secretary and treasurer for the Conference, to preside over the executive meeting.

- (2) The treasurer shall be responsible for a financial report on the conference.
- (3) The secretary shall be responsible for a report on the conference.
- (4) The reports (2) and (3) must be forwarded to all societies by the 1st of February.
- (5) At the executive meeting, each club will have three votes. All motions must be passed by a two-thirds majority of those present.

ARTICLE IX:

Attendance:

- (1) Attendance will be open to all interested parties; however, the host society shall only be financially responsible for designated delegates of a member club.
- (2) A minimum of ten days notice will be given for members attending from each society or club.

ARTICLE X:

Finance:

In the past event of a money surplus of the host society, the host society shall pass it along to the next year's host. If, however, a deficit is incurred by the host, this will be its responsibility and is *not* to be passed along to next year's host society.

ARTICLE XI:

Amendments:

Amendments of this constitution shall be made only at conference executive meetings in which an eighty percent majority of member clubs' vote, who are represented at the conference, shall be necessary to amend the Constitution.