

**Minutes from the August 21, 2002 Board Meeting**  
(Lamp, Rynearson & Associates, 14710 West Dodge Road, Omaha)

**Attendance:**

Larry Zink	GIS Steering Committee
Susan Myers	City of Scottsbluff (later via conference call)
Gail Knapp	City of Omaha
Ed Kelley	Nebraska DOR
John Beran	State Surveyor's Office
Scott Richert	Lancaster County Assessor's Office
Doug Steinke	Central Platte, NRD
Chris Stanton	GIS Workshop, Inc.
Kathy Russel	Kearney County Roads Dept.
Jim Langtry	Lancaster County Engineer's Office
Paul Yamamoto	Nebraska DEQ

**Agenda:**

- 1) July Meeting Minutes (Group)
- 2) Treasurers Report (Beran)
- 3) Association Brochure (Group)
- 4) Midwest Greatlakes Arc Users Conference (Knapp)
- 5) 2003 Symposium Planning (Kelley)
- 6) Meeting in Norfolk and Scottsbluff (Knapp)
- 7) Meeting in Aurora (Russel)
- 8) Doane College Questions (Knapp)
- 9) Policy Issues (Zink)
- 10) Other Association Issues (Group)
- 11) Association Goals for 2002 and Beyond (Group)

**Meeting started at 10:30 am**

**June Meeting Minutes:**

*Kathy Russel made a motion to approve the July minutes. Ed Kelley seconded the motion. Motion was approved.*

**Treasurers Report:**

John Beran stated that the CD earned \$1.24 and that additional membership dues accounted for \$145 for a total income for the month of \$146.24. John mentioned that there were \$133.35 in expenses to mail out the membership directory. Total income for the past month was \$12.89. John also indicated that the gislis.org domain name was purchased for 3 years and will go into effect in a day or two.

**Association Brochure:**

Ed stated that he found copy of the original brochure document but that it is in an un-editable form. Larry Zink said that he has the very first brochure but it is quite different

then the current version. Ed suggested the Larry send him the version he has and he will put something together.

**Midwest Greatlakes Arc Users Conference:**

Gail stated that the conference is slated for September 21-24, 2003 and she is 90% sure that the conference will be held at the Double Tree hotel in Omaha.

**2003 Symposium Planning:**

For the benefit of Doug, Ed stated that the exhibitor costs had been finalized and tasks were assigned for getting the call for papers out which will be sometime in October.

**Meeting in Norfolk and Scottsbluff:**

Gail stated that she had been in contact with Bonnie in Norfolk. Bonnie was a little unclear as to an agenda for the meeting. Larry Zink suggested a brain storming session with the GIS users in the area. The meeting in Norfolk is scheduled for November 18<sup>th</sup>. Ed stated that Susan has everything set for the October 21<sup>st</sup> meeting in Scottsbluff. Susan added that she has two speakers from the Forest Service, a speaker from the NRD and a Professor from Chadron will bring a couple of speakers. Chris added that there is currently 7-9 students signed up for training. Gail asked about the costs associated with the trip to Scottsbluff and the possibility of reimbursing Chris Stanton for his hotel costs while in Scottsbluff for the training session. Ed made a motion that the Association would pay for two nights lodging while GIS Workshop would pay for one night. Jim Langtry seconded the motion. Motion was approved. Kathy Russel agreed to check on room availability in Scottsbluff.

**Meeting in Aurora:**

Kathy Russel stated that she had been in contact with the highway administration and noted that the Hamilton County would be interested in attending something GIS related. Marcus Tooze indicated that he would present something. Kathy mentioned that the meeting is scheduled for February 19<sup>th</sup> and that the Edgerton Center would have all the amenities to accommodate the meeting including internet access. The cost for the room would be \$100. It was decided that Kathy could maybe find someone to sponsor the meeting otherwise look for a cheaper alternative to the center.

**Doane College Questions:**

Gail mentioned that she had received an email from a Doane College professor of Geology regarding her recommendation on GIS courses, course development, and employment possibilities in the GIS field. Paul Yamamoto wondered what type of hardware and software capabilities were present at Doane. Larry suggested that the Professor could sit in on our next association meeting. Someone suggested that he could contact Jeff Peake or Jim Merchant for advice.

**Policy Issues:**

Larry stated that there was an advisory committee resolution to move the Nebraska-Online metadata tool to the Department of Natural Resources and some point. A new survey would be done to document existing data around the state. Long term, DNR

would be the data center with a broader mandate to involve non-natural resource data. Larry mentioned the Peter Kewit center has a large computer associated with the Lewis and Clark celebration and might be suitable to house the data. Larry also mentioned that he is working on asking state agencies what data they need for homeland security. Larry said the IT meeting scheduled for September has been moved to November 6<sup>th</sup> at the East Campus Union.

**Other Association Issues:**

Ed mentioned that he is working on speakers for the Lincoln GIS forum. He currently had Marcus Tooze scheduled for September, Chief Tom Cassidy for October and either Jim Richardson or a DOR presentation for November. Ed said he will contact Bernice if he needs a room at the East Campus Union.

Gail noted that ESRI will be in Omaha on August 28<sup>th</sup>.

Doug Steinke mentioned that he is having difficulty organizing a meeting in the Kearney/Grand Island area. The difficulty is primarily from the lack of interest. Doug mentioned that he and Kathy will try and get something together for the meeting in Aurora.

Ed mentioned the National GIS-T conference is scheduled to be held in Nebraska in 2005. Ed noted that the meeting will more then likely be held in Omaha.

Scott asked for articles and contributions to the next issue of the Nebraska GIS Update Newsletter. Scott noted that he would like to get an issue out sometime in September. It was suggested that a mention of the GIS symposium should be included.

John Beran noted that the CD becomes mature, and that he checked on the short term money market account mentioned last month and that interest rate is falling fast and that the investments are not protected. Gail Knapp made a motion to roll the CD over. Ed Kelley seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

**Meeting Adjourned at 11:35 am**

**Next Meeting:**

The next meeting will be at 10:00 am, Wednesday at UN-L Technology Park, 4701 Innovation Drive, Lincoln

Respectively Submitted,



Scott E Richert, Secretary  
Nebraska GIS/LIS Assoc., Inc.