

Nebraska GIS/LIS Association Board Meeting

Thursday July 13, 2006

9:00 am

Papio-Missouri Natural Resources Center
Omaha, Ne

Officers Present:

President	Paul Yamamoto	Yes
President Elect	John Beran	Yes
Past President	Jim Langtry	Yes
Secretary	Kim Menke	Yes
Treasurer	Eric Kreiner	Yes

Board Members Present:

Board Member	Bonnie Schulz	No
Board Member	Scott Richert	Yes
Board Member	Susan Meyers	No
Board Member	Ed Kelley	Yes arrived at 9:40
Board Member	Steve Cacioppo	Yes
Board Member	Eric Herbert	Yes

Others

Gail Knapp
Chris Poulsen
Karen, Cheung Yuet Mei
Larry Zink
Mike Schonlau arrived around 9:30
Yunwoo Nam arrived around 9:20

Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Review and approval of previous meeting's minutes
3. Financial Report
4. Web Site Update
5. Association Insurance
6. 2007 Symposium Planning
7. Other Business
8. Next Meeting
9. Adjourn

Meeting called to order by Paul at 9:10 am

Minutes approved

Financial report Eric K.

- \$26,632.89 Balance
- Mahoney GIS/LIS Annual meeting
 - approximately 60 people attended
 - Don't know the cost of the meeting

Website Update Steve C.

Much discussion broke out on allowing trainer listing on the GIS/LIS web site. Following are some comments made.

- Do we want non Nebraska resources listed on website?
- As long as the trainer is a paid member and supporting our goals of the association then the association can support them.
- Do not want to get into being a promotion for companies.
- Should they have to be a member of the GIS/LIS Association.
- Our goal is to provide a service and a resource to our members.
- Training is a resource available to members that is valuable.
- Since ESRI already has listing of their trainers on ESRI's website, can we link to ESRI. Training is a scarcity in Nebraska and the association needs to promote it.
- Steve shouldn't get over whelmed if limit website to training information.

Decision: If someone contacts the association and wants their name listed as a trainer then put it up if Steve C. thinks it is okay. If it becomes a burden then the association will look into it further.

Misspelling of Eric Kreiner has been updated on website.

Association Insurance

Much discussion broke out on acquiring liability insurance for the association. The Qwest Center is requesting the association have liability insurance for any meeting held at the Qwest Center.

- John Beran received a quote back of \$800 with tax from Inspro Insurance for the single event of the GIS/LIS symposium
- Jim Langtry received a quote of \$1570 for a year from First western Insurance
- Comments on both sides of getting insurance to cover per event versus by year.
- Check with other associations similar to ours such as Magic.
- Cash flow from last 3 symposiums is break even. Will the \$1000 for insurance be affordable to the association?

Decision: Jim and John will check into receiving more quotes for both single events and yearly. Jim L. will check into MAGICs liability policy. Look into an overall policy with rider for big meeting every other year.

2007 symposium planning

- Mike S. registered the planning website with the domain name www.symposium2007.org

- Ed K. mentioned Susan would be interesting in working with awards from the Gis/Lis Association. Gail K. mentioned she would help her with this.
- Mike commented that everything is going smoothly. Next few months they are working on breakouts.

Other business

- Larry mentioned the new committee for Geospatial Data Sharing. They are putting together a prototype of local/state/federal data sharing. If anyone has input talk to Larry.
- Paul got a call from Shane B. He is a board member for the Midwest Chapter of Geospatial Information & Technology Association (GITA). The Midwest chapter is hosting a Workshop in October of 2006. They asked if the GIS/LIS Association could co-sponsor the Workshop.
 - There was a concern of competing competition. It was stated this organization deals mostly with utilities.
 - How do they want us to participate
 - Eric H. stated it would be a good idea to support them.
 - One day workshop will not pull away from the GIS/LIS Symposium
 - Would be good if the association supported them for their support for the GIS/LIS Symposium in April.
 - Decision: Promote there one day workshop but not in presentations or planning. Ask if they will play a roll in Symposium (Booth and/or presentations). If they ask for money the association will discuss at a later date.
- Eric H. inquired about the imagery for the nation by USGS. Larry Z. stated the federal Ag department pulled funding from the program due to wanting leaf on aerials. New proposal from federal government has multi resolution some years leaf off and some years leaf on. Agencies could participate and buy up off of this program. NSGIC had a survey to get a cost benefit analysis for support.
- Susan Meyers will help if the association wants to plan a meeting in Scotts Bluff. Maybe a board meeting with regional meeting or GIS day. If Susan is planning a GIS activity for the area the board could coincide a meeting with the activity.

Next meeting. – Thursday Aug 17th, 2007 – 9:00 am
Papio-Missouri Natural Resources Center, Omaha, Ne

Eric K. will buy new license for doing books. No objections

Adjourned 10:05

Kim Menke
Nebraska GIS/LIS Association