

# Nebraska GIS/LIS Association Board Meeting

April 22nd, 2009

12:00 pm

Holiday Inn Convention Center

Kearney, Ne

## Officers Present

President	Eric Herbert	Yes
President-Elect	Mike Preston	Yes
Past President	John Beran	Yes
Secretary	Kim Menke	Yes
Treasurer	Eric Kriener	Yes

## Board Members Present

Board Member	Bonnie Schulz	No
Board Member	Jeff McReynolds	Yes
Board Member	Virginia Emly	Yes
Board Member	Norman Small	Yes
Board Member	Joe Eckmann	Yes
Board Member	Pat Larson	Yes

## Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Association Goals / Policy Issues
4. Regional User Groups
5. Awards
6. Board & Officer Elections
7. Membership Feedback
8. Feedback

## Welcome and Introductions

The following were introduced:

Current Association Officers:

- President: Eric Herbert (Sarpy Co. GIS)
- President-Elect: Mike Preston (Kirkham Michael, Inc.)
- Past-President: John Beran (NE State Surveyor's Office)
- Secretary: Kim Menke (NE DNR)
- Treasurer: Eric Kriener (Sarpy Co. GIS)

Current Board of Directors:

- Jeff McReynolds (Lincoln/Lancaster GIS Dept.)
- Norman Small (Madison Co. GIS Dept.)
- Joe Eckmann (ESRI, Inc.)
- Virginia Emly (NE National Forest)
- Pat Larson (City of Grand Island GIS Dept.)

- Bonnie Schulz (Northeast Community College)

## Membership Summary

See attachment A and B.

## Treasurer's Report

### Income

Interest	\$924.79
Dues	\$7,250.00
Symposium	\$32,705.00
Exhibitors	\$8,700.00
Sponsors	\$7,450.00
Registrations	\$16,555.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$40,879.79</b>

### Expenses

Annual Meeting	\$451.31
Administrative	\$5,062.32
Conference Calls	
Mailings	
Website	
Accounting	\$1,200.00
Symposium	\$7,456.18
Conference Center	
Insurance	
Registration Packets	
Online Payment Capability	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$14,169.81</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$26,709.98</b>

### Assests

Checking	\$60,872.22
Accts Receivable	\$ 2,200.00

**Total Equity** **\$63,072.22**

**Current Liabilities** **\$0.00**

**Projected Liabilities** **\$18,775.77**

Conference Center

Meals

Set-Up/Down

**Projected Total Liabilities & Equity** **\$44,296.45**

## Association Goals & Policy Issues

1. Education
2. Professional Development
3. Interaction – User Groups
4. Scholarships
5. Policies

## 6. Cooperation

- Educate the general public about the nature of, and benefits from geospatial information and related technologies, including but not limited to geographic information systems, internet, and global positioning technologies.
- Foster a spirit of cooperation among local, state and federal agencies, and the private sector in addressing priority databases for Nebraska.
- Host regular meetings, conferences and technical workshops for the exchange of information and to exhibit products and services.
- Publish documents, produce educational materials, and promote education pertaining to geographic information and related technologies.

## **Regional User Groups**

### **Eastern Region:**

(Omaha) Eric Herbert, Sarpy Co. GIS  
(Lincoln) Ed Kelley, NE Dept. of Roads

### **Northeast Region:**

(Norfolk) Bonnie Schulz, Northeast Community College  
(Madison) Norman Small, Madison Co. GIS

### **Central Region:**

(Grand Island) Pat Larson, City of Grand Island GIS  
(Kearney) Michele Hill, City of Kearney GIS

### **Western Region:**

(Chadron) Virginia Emly, Nebraska National Forest  
(Scottsbluff) Susan Myers, MC Schaff & Assoc.

## **Awards**

### **Excellence in GIS:**

Mike Schonlau (Douglas County GIS)

### **Excellence in GIS Education:**

Scott Robinson (Lancaster County Engineer's Office)

## **Board & Officer Elections**

- President: Mike Preston (Kirkham Michael, Inc.)
- President-Elect: Jeff McReynolds (Lincoln/Lancaster GIS)
- Past-President: Eric Herbert (Sarpy Co. GIS)
- Secretary: Shaula Ross (Lower Platte South NRD)
- Treasurer: Eric Kriener (Sarpy Co. GIS)

### **Current Board of Directors:**

- Norman Small (Madison Co. GIS Dept.)
- Joe Eckmann (ESRI, Inc.)
- Mike Schwab (JEO Consulting Group)
- Virginia Emly (NE National Forest)
- Pat Larson (City of Grand Island GIS Dept.)

- Michele Hill (City of Kearney GIS)

Board Distribution Attachment C:

### **Membership Feedback**

Question was asked to the attendees of what they would like the GIS/LIS Association to address with GIS Education.

Half day workshops similar to user group formats with a couple of topics addressed.

Question asked of attendees with interest in pursuing a GIS Certification. There was not a huge interest at this time.

Challenge all GIS users to contribute one item to the GIS website.

Get GIS products to users who need it. Educate public of various GIS resources/products. Interest in a NebrsakaMap.gov concept.

Involve youth in GIS education.

If we involve local communities with GIS projects this could jump start GIS at the State level.

There was a redesign of the website. There is a new resources page. The Association is looking for input and needs involvement in the website. As GIS users we need to use this page to enhance GIS knowledge across the state.

GIS internship and/or summer job opportunities for students are scarce. Could post opportunities on the Nebraska GIS/LIS Association website.

For the next symposium, look into blocking off a session to 15 minute interval student presentations.

Could the organization coordinate technical GIS training classes? Solicit from members their GIS training needs, establish central locations and post training opportunities through forum.

The GIS/LIS association contracted out the conference registration process. Was this successful? Please give comments and thoughts to the planning committee.

There will be a follow up questionnaire to fill out following the symposium.

### **Adjourned**

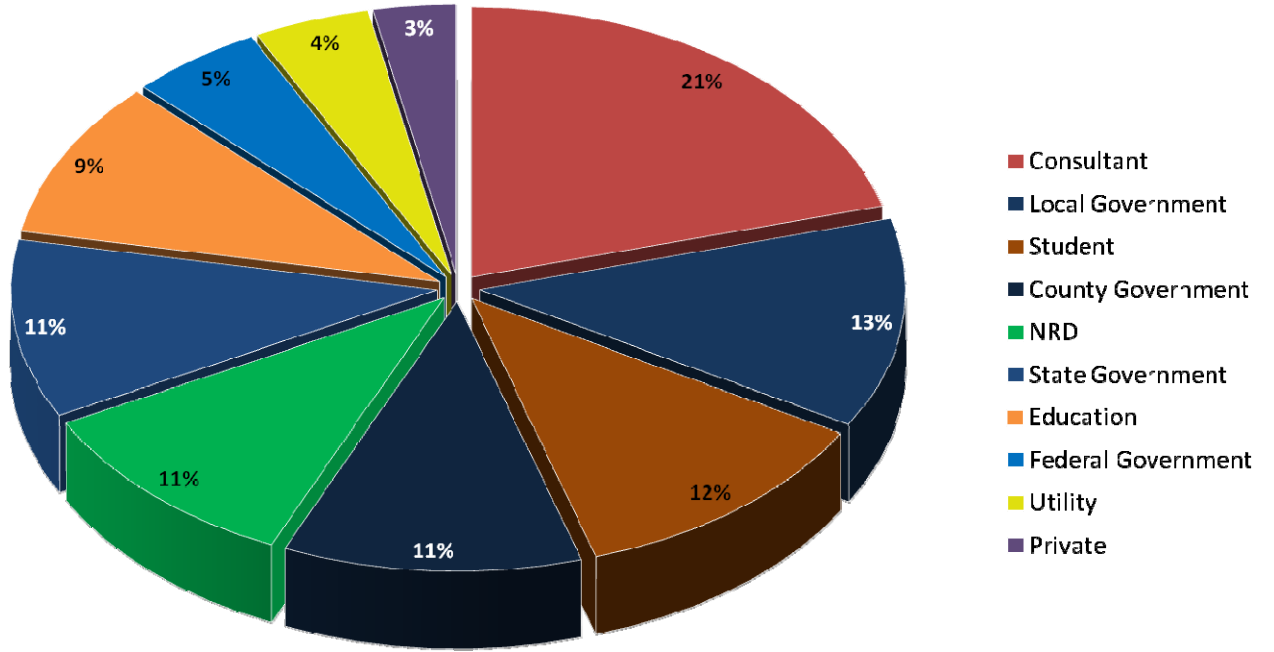
Board meeting closed at 1:15 pm

**Kim Menke - Nebraska GIS/LIS Association Secretary**

Attachment A:

# Membership Summary

159 Members





Attachment C:

