Nebraska GIS/LIS Association Board Meeting

December 4th, 2009 – 10:00 am Kirkham Michael 12700 West Dodge Rd Omaha, NE 68154

Officers Present

President	Mike Preston	Yes
President-Elect	Jeff McReynolds	No
Past-President	Eric Herbert	Yes
Secretary	Shaula Ross	Yes
Treasurer	Eric Kriener	Yes

Board Members Present

Board Member	Mike Schwab	Yes
Board Member	Norman Small	Yes via phone
Board Member	Joe Eckmann	Yes via phone
Board Member	Virginia Emly	Yes via phone
Board Member	Pat Larson	Yes via phone
Board Member	Michele Hill	No

Others Present

Jim Langtry

Agenda

- 1. Call to Order
 - a. Review agenda (corrections/additions/deletions)
- 2. Review & approve previous meeting's minutes
- 3. Financial report +/
 - a. FUZE meeting decision
- 4. Committee reports & members
 - a. Education
 - b. User group
 - c. Nebraska GIS Council
- 5. Scholarship
- 6. 2010 Annual Meeting Planning
 - a. Location Bayside
 - b. Date Wed May 12th?
 - c. Format Meeting then Presentations?
 - d. What we are paying for Breakfast, Lunch, Golf?
- 7. Elections Nikki will coordinate

- a. President-Elect ??
- b. Treasurer Erik K
- c. Secretary Shaula?
- d. Board Norman? Joe? Mike S?
- 8. Other Business 2011 Planning?
- 9. Next meeting(s) (2010) January 15th Grand Island?
 - Feb 12th, Mar 12th, Apr 9th, May 12th, Jun 11th, Jul 8th, Aug 13th, Sep 10th, Oct 8th, Nov 5th, Dec 3rd

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 10:10am by Mike P. No changes to the Agenda.

Review & approve previous meeting's minutes

Norman S. moved to approve the November meeting minutes. Mike S. seconded. All present approved. Motion passed.

Financial report (presented after Committee reports)

Income/Expenditures

Total currently in checking is \$8963.16. Last month expenses include \$46.50 for conference calling and \$70 for lunch.

FUZE Meeting information was discussed. The Fetch number feature of FUZE does not handle calling to phone numbers with extensions. A toll-free call-in number is available (not for trial versions) for those who call in, these minutes would go against the contract minutes. The monthly rate for a one year contract is \$23.50 per month plus 6¢/minute for any minutes over 240 (fetch or call-in) per month. Eric K. moved that the Association sign-up for a one year contract of FUZE Meeting Web Conferencing. Mike S. seconded. All approved. Motion passed.

Committee reports & members

Education Committee

Norman Small conducted the first face-to-face meeting December 3, 2009 with Dr. Beth Burnsteele, Director of 4-H, University of Nebraska-Lincoln at the Madison County Extension office. Norman presented the idea of creating a partnership with GIS/LIS Association and Nebraska 4-H. Dr. Burnsteele indicated her desire to see this project through, as it is so important to team up with professionals of a particular technology and 4-H. She has asked Norman Small to put together a write up regarding the proposal and she will pass it on to the State 4-H Technology coordinator and the marketing coordinator. Dr. Burnsteele stated she would ask the coordinator to set up a meeting in January-February 2010 with Norman and other members of the GIS/LIS board to begin preliminary planning for the implementation of the partnership. She also indicated she would like to run some trial programs to get feedback from GIS

professionals, extension educators, 4-H volunteers and 4-H youth. Dr. Burnsteele is excited about the possibilities of being a part of the symposium to promote this program and to educate on how to establish programs throughout the state. Dr. Burnsteele is committed to this partnership. She is also indicated her interest in including National Geographic and Geography Educators of Nebraska (GEON) in this statewide partnership.

User Groups

The Northeast NE Users Group GIS Day event was a big success this year. The Professional Development portion had 28 attending with five professions and youth: extension educators, real estate, register of deeds, assessor office, and natural resource. Six of the attendees were currently using GIS and the others were looking at implementing GIS technology. Mike Schwab, Joe Eckman, and Dan Pfeiffer presented on urban development, ArcExplorer 900 and new innovations in ESRI, and State GIS portal.

Two Youth Development GIS Days were held November 11th and 18th at the Lifelong Learning Center. There were 5 hands on activities including: hurricane tracking, GPS scavenger hunt, careers in Geography and GIS with use of Goggle Earth, Geo Jeopardy, and a natural resource dam project. On the morning of the 18th Joe Eckman provided a hands-on computer mapping project. There were items to pass out to students provided by University of Nebraska-Lincoln, ESRI and the GeoAdventurers 4-H Club. They had planned for 300 students; the final count of attendees was 334. Next year's GIS Day event is planned for November 16th and 17th 2010 with a goal of 350 attendees.

The Central NE User Group is working on finalizing a contract and contacting partners involved in an Aerial Imagery acquisition 2010 project.

Eric H. and Eric K. in at 10:25am

Nebraska GIS Council

The last Council meeting was held November 18th, 2009. Aerial Imagery Initiative, LiDAR and NebraskaMAP were reviewed at the Council meeting. Proposed committees for Historical Aerial geo-rectification, Land Records and Standards and New Strategic Plan for Statewide GIS were discussed. The next GIS Council meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2010 at the Nebraska Department of Roads.

Scholarship

Eric K. presented some preliminary information regarding purpose, eligibility, award, application and award selection for the Nebraska GIS/LIS Scholarship. Board members are encouraged to get any comments for changes or suggestions to Eric K, before the next board meeting in January.

Annual Meeting Location

The location for the 2010 Annual Meeting will be Bayside Golf Course in Brule, NE. Virginia E. reported that Bayside doesn't have individual lodging but does have cabins available. Those wishing to have individual lodging will have to go to Ogallala. Golf is \$45 if staying at the Bayside cabins. Virginia will check to see if there are group golf rates available.

The meeting date will be Wednesday May 12th, 2010. The proposed schedule is to have the Board meeting and Presentations in the morning and continuing through lunch. The Association will pay for Breakfast and Lunch. Virginia E. suggests we invite County Commissioners and City Administrators from the Western part of the State. Virginia is working on developing a list for mailing. Norman S. suggested we also invite the State Legislators.

Elections

Nikki Lampe will coordinate board election details. Suggested nominations for President-Elect included: Norman Small, Pat Larson and Eric Kriener. Norman S. expressed concerns, that because of his location geographically and job conflict issues, that he would not be able to meet all of the requirements, but would consider. Pat L. said that he would consider running. Eric K. declined and will run again for Treasurer. Shaula Ross will run again for Secretary. Board terms that end April 30, 2010 include: Norman Small, Joe Eckmann and Mike Schwab. The three board members with expiring terms said that they would run again. If Pat L. or Norman S. runs for President-Elect there would be an open position on the board. Norman S. suggested nominating Mike Murphy from Lower Elkhorn NRD as a candidate. Any other nominations bring to next meeting.

Other Business

Eric K. has added the GeoMentor link and updated the Resource Page. See the Nebraska GIS/LIS Website at http://www.gislis.org/ for more information. Planning for the 2011 GIS Symposium will begin in the near future. Reminder: Save the Dates April 19-21, 2011.

Next Scheduled meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for January 15th at 10:30am in Grand Island at City Hall in the Basement meeting room. Dates suggested for the remaining 2010 Board meetings are: February 12th, March 12th, April 9th, May 12th (with Annual meeting), June 11th, July 8th, August 13th, September 10th, October 8th, November 5th and December 3rd.

Adjourned

Board meeting closed at 11:16am.

Shaula Ross: Nebraska GIS/LIS Association Secretary