

Nebraska GIS/LIS Association Board Meeting

September 11th, 2009 – 9:30 am

Lower Platte South Natural Resources District
3125 Portia Street
Lincoln, NE 68521

Officers Present

President	Mike Preston	Yes
President-Elect	Jeff McReynolds	Yes
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	No
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

None

Agenda

1. Call to Order
 - a. Review agenda (corrections/additions/deletions)
2. Review & approve previous meeting's minutes
3. Financial report
 - a. Income/Expenditures
4. Committee reports & members
 - a. Education
 - b. User group
 - c. Nebraska GIS Council
5. Scholarship
6. Annual Meeting Location
7. Other Business
8. Next meeting – October 9th (Omaha)

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 9:50am by Mike P. No changes to the Agenda.

Review & approve previous meeting's minutes

Eric H. moved to approve the August meeting minutes. Jeff M. seconded. All approved. Motion passed.

Financial report

Income/Expenditures

Eric K. moved \$35,000 from checking to a 13 month CD. The CD will earn about \$530 in interest. Total currently in checking is \$9,564. Last month expenses include \$100 for lunch and \$35 for conference call.

The board discussed reviewing some Web Conferencing options (Adobe Acrobat Connect Pro, WebEx, GoToMeeting) and prices as an alternative to using the current phone conferencing option. Web Conferencing could be used to help participants connect to and collaborate in Association related meetings.

Committee reports & members

Education Committee

No report.

User Groups

No report.

Nebraska GIS Council

The Public Service Commission has acquired Federal funding for Broadband Availability mapping. The creation of statewide Land Records Standards will be revisited. Dan Pfeffer has compiled Street Centerline data for the pilot area (5 counties around the urban core). Dan is now working on obtaining Street Centerline data for the rest of the counties in Nebraska.

Scholarship

No report. The committee will make some calls now that school is back in session.

Annual Meeting Location

Virginia E. got a hold of the reservations person at Bayside Golf Course, Ogallala. She gave them some information on the estimated number of people and catering needs. Final arrangements can't be made until after January 1, 2010. The board is planning to schedule the meeting for a Tuesday in mid-May 2010. Virginia E. and Pat L. will work on coming up with some potential presenters for the 2010 annual meeting.

Other Business

Eric K. still has not been able to find any portable poster board options that are economical. Any ideas for building some kind of portable poster boards are welcome.

Other Business (cont.)

The 2011 NE GIS Symposium will be at the Embassy Suites in La Vista. Eric H. has inquired, at the Embassy Suites, to find out about their internet connection services. He was assured that they have both wired and wireless options in the meeting rooms and the vendor area has a separate wireless system. The Embassy will also be expanding the system in the next 6 months. So we should not have internet connection problems at the 2011 Symposium.

Possible locations for the 2013 NE GIS Symposium are being reviewed. Some suggested locations included Lincoln, Kearney, Grand Island and North Platte.

Mike P. handed out notes from the August Strategic Planning session. Board members are to review the notes and get any comments to Mike P. before the October meeting. The next Strategic Planning session will follow the October 9th Board meeting in Papillion.

Next Scheduled meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for October 9th at 10am in Papillion at the Sarpy County Courthouse.

Adjourned

Board meeting closed at 10:30am.

Shaula Ross: Nebraska GIS/LIS Association Secretary