

Nebraska GIS/LIS Association Board Meeting

February 17, 2012 – 10:00 am

Lower Platte South NRD

3125 Portia Street

Lincoln, NE 68521

Officers Present

President	Pat Larson	Yes
President-Elect	Nathan Watermeier	Yes
Past-President	Jeff McReynolds	Yes
Secretary	Shaula Ross	Yes
Treasurer	Eric Kriener	Yes

Board Members Present

Board Member	Mike Schwab	Yes
Board Member	Mike Murphy	Yes
Board Member	Corey Gandara	No
Board Member	Mike Preston	No
Board Member	Doug Guess	Yes via phone
Board Member	Adam Darbro	No

Others Present

Eric Herbert (Sarpy Co)

Agenda

1. Call to Order
 - a. Review agenda (corrections/additions/deletions)
2. Review & approve previous meeting's minutes
3. Financial Report +/-
4. Committee Reports
 - a. Website
 - b. Scholarship
 - c. Education
 - d. User groups
 - e. Nebraska GIS Council
5. Elections - Nominations Due 3/9/12, Ballots Out 3/16/12, Ballots Due 4/27/12
 - a. President Elect - ?
 - b. Secretary - Shaula
 - c. Treasurer - Eric K
 - d. At Large - (Schwab, Murphy, Preston) - Mike Schwab, Jeff McReynolds, Mike Preston, Ryan Parks
6. MAGIC Sponsorship - \$250

7. Annual Meeting
8. 2013 Symposium
9. Other Business
10. Next Board Meeting(s) - March 16th - Sarpy @ 10am
 - a. April 13th - location? @ 10am
 - b. May 22nd - ANNUAL MEETING - Norfolk

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 10:08am by Pat Larson. No changes to the Agenda.

Review and Approve previous meeting's minutes

Jeff McReynolds moved to approve the January meeting minutes. Nathan Watermeier seconded. All approved. Motion passed.

Financial Report

Expenses since last meeting include \$57.75 for lunch, \$31 for Merchant Services, and \$250 for accounting. There was \$0.33 in interest on the checking account . The checking account balance of \$43,044.32.

Committee Reports

Website

Nothing new to report.

Scholarship

Nathan sent out another broadcast about the GIS/LIS Scholarship opportunity. We have not heard anything back yet.

Education

Nathan is looking for someone from academia who might be willing to step up as chair of the Education committee.

User Groups

Southeast Users Group - Lincoln/Omaha ArcUser Group (LOAG) meetings were held in Lincoln and Omaha on February 8, 2012. There was a large turnout at the Lincoln morning meeting with over 80 people attending. The afternoon meeting in Omaha had about 40 people attending.

Volunteer representative spots are vacant for both the Northeast Users Group and the Western Users Group. There was discussion that the Nebraska strategic planning stakeholder meetings may be a good place to help spark interest in the regional user groups. It was noted that we need to find some champions in each of the regions and work on how to communicate with various groups, that may be using GIS, to get them involved.

Nebraska GIS Council

Nathan Watermeier said they have been working on lots of housekeeping tasks for January and February. There are currently 4 vacant seats on the GIS Council. Four main working groups have been identified, these include: Land Records, Nebraska Geospatial Data Sharing and Web Services, Street Centerline-Address Database, and Imagery. Temporary spokespersons have been identified for each of the working groups.

Nathan has met with several of the state agency directors about the Nebraska Strategic Plan. He will be meeting with Department of Roads in March. Stakeholder meetings continue and seem to have sparked a lot of interest. They are planning on completing Strategic Planning by the end of June and then moving in to business plans. The Council may need to add more working groups and may look at adding these in phases. They will need to get down to who is going to do the work, who is going to pay for it and what funding sources might be available. The council is planning on having a retreat with state agency directors to help understand barriers and issues.

Board Elections

The GIS/LIS Board is seeking nominations and is planning for the upcoming April elections. Nominations need to be submitted by March 9, 2012. Current nominations include: President Elect - Mike Schwab; Treasurer - Eric Kriener; Secretary - Shaula Ross, At-Large - Jeff McReynolds, Mike Preston, Ryan Parks, Milda Vaiktus and maybe Shane Buscher (but currently not a member).

MAGIC Sponsorship

There was discussion on a request for the GIS/LIS Association to Sponsor the 2012 MAGIC Conference at the \$250 sponsorship level. Jeff McReynolds moved to approve the \$250 sponsorship. Nathan Watermeier seconded. All approved. Motion passed.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2012 in Norfolk at the Lifelong Learning Center. Mike Murphy stated that we will be in Rooms C & D. To prepare for setup of rooms, the week before the meeting they will need to know a count of people attending. For food preparations, they will need a rough count the month before the meeting and a final count one week before. The prices for food have changed a little bit.

There was discussion on potential speakers for the meeting and how much time to allot for each presentation and the association business meeting. Jim Langtry has been in contact with Jason Stoker at EROS Data Center. Jason will be the primary speaker and will have an hour for his presentation. Lee Sherry, UNL Extension, has offered to give a presentation about activities at the GIS Day Event at the Life Long Learning Center in November 2011. Nathan Watermeier will give a short presentation about the Nebraska Strategic Plan and Nebraska GIS Council.

2013 Symposium

Eric Herbert, Symposium Chair, provided information on current committee chairs for 2013 Symposium planning. There was discussion on overall schedule review and

proposed changes. We need to be thinking about looking for presenters, a symposium theme, and types of tracts to include.

Other Business

There was discussion on the venue for the 2015 Symposium. It was agreed that we should check with the Embassy Suites in LaVista for dates available to host the 2015 Symposium.

Next Board Meeting(s)

The next GIS/LIS Board meeting will be held March 16, 2012 at 10am in Papillion at the Sarpy County Courthouse. We will be working on the mailing for elections at the meeting. Other upcoming board meetings: April 13, 2012 - location TBD; May 22, 2012 - Annual meeting at the Lifelong Learning Center in Norfolk, time TBD.

Adjourned

The board meeting closed at 11:52am.

Shaula Ross: Nebraska GIS/LIS Association Secretary