



SUBJECT: Board of Directors Meeting Summary

DATE: October 13, 2009

LOCATION: Teleconference Call

The teleconference meeting began at 11:05 AM

Meeting Purpose

Review September minutes, Treasurer's report, MOU with ESF, Website RFP, Annual Meeting/Elections, Awards program, and Committee updates.

Attendance

Jeff Volpe, Sam Wear, Bruce Oswald, Christa Hay, Scott Sherwood, and Sheri Norton.

Minutes

The Board meeting minutes from September 2nd and 9th were approved with no changes.

Treasurer's Report

Christa Hay announced a balance of \$16,468.47 in the Association account. Two more GISP fees were reimbursed, with one final application outstanding. The Geospatial Summit generated approximately \$2,000 in profit, and increase from last year.

ESF MOU

Jeff Volpe requested final feedback from the BOD for respond back to ESF. The key remaining issues include accountability and registration discount for members. Jeff Volpe will try to schedule a meeting of the BOD with ESF and the Advisory Council for Monday, October 26th, at the NYS GIS Conference in Lake Placid.

Website RFP

The RFP for the website revamp went out on September 17th, with bids due on October 14th. To date twenty-five bids have been received. Review will be completed by Lisa, Ben Houston and Jake Needle. A contract should be established by early November, with delivery within ten weeks (by early January 2010 at the latest).

Annual Meeting

The Annual meeting will be held on Monday, October 26th, at 4pm at the NYS GIS Conference in Lake Placid. Jeff Volpe prepared a draft agenda for review by the BOD. Committee Chair reports were requested, in advance if the Chairperson is not attending the meeting. Updates will be printed by Jeff Volpe.

The BOD voted unanimously to sponsor four (4) GISP fee-reimbursement awards at the meeting. Awardees must be members in good standing and must contribute in some way to the Association (at the discretion of the President).

Preparation for the election includes sign-in lists for members and non-members and ballot listing the five candidates for the three BOD vacancies. At least one computer will be needed at the meeting for new member registration. Voting by Proxy is fine, but ballots must be submitted to the Election Committee (c/o Sheri Norton) by mid-day on Friday,



October 23rd. Sheri Norton will announce the list of candidates and a consolidated statement document on the NYS GIS List Serve. These will also be sent to Jake Needle for posting on the website.

Jeff Volpe will order a new table throw (\$325). He will also prepare a schedule for members to staff the booth in the vendor area as well as at the main registration desk. Those staffing either area should wear the NYSGISA pin (Sheri Norton has the bag of pins). Flash drives will be handed out to the first 100 people to attend the meeting. A revised regional user group map will be updated by Sheri Norton and included with handouts for the booth and meeting.

Awards Program

One submission for the new awards program was received. Bill Johnson of NYS CSCIC nominated Joe Jones for a lifetime achievement award. Bruce Oswald will prepare a framed award to present to Joe at the meeting.

Committee Updates

Legislative

Sam Wear indicated no action on the surveying legislation, although an email update was sent to the BOD. The PE Society is very strongly against this legislation.

Marketing

Bruce Oswald announced that the website is mostly up to date now. A News Blitz just went out on the GIS List Serve.

Business Development

Scott Sherwood announced that the draft survey comments had been received. Verne LaClair will likely take over as Committee Chairperson after the election in October. Scott Sherwood's recommendations on the future/directions of the Committee will be provided before stepping down.

Membership

Sheri Norton will request volunteers from the Committee to help staff the Association booth and registration table at the NYS GIS Conference.

Conference

Jeff Volpe announced that there are now thirteen members on the Committee. Estimated registration as of a few weeks ago for the NYS GIS Conference is ~ 250 people.

Miscellaneous

Jeff Volpe announced the formation of a GISP Accreditation Committee consisting of himself, Katherine Barnes, and Dennis Wischman.

The BOD discussed the need to draft a list of ideas for regional training seminars/workshops for 2010. Possible topics include project management/return on investment, open source, and Google mashup. The Association will reach out to URISA for partnership and sponsorship.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM