

NYS GIS Association Education Committee Meeting Minutes

17 June 2014 | 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. | Conference Call

Attendees: Ann Deakin, Susan Hoskins, Jon Little, Andy Mendola, Dave Stern

Guest: Pete Walsemann, Carthage High School Science (www.carthagecsd.org/webpages/pwalsemann/)

- Andy stated that Pete Walsemann would be joining us to talk about a GIS course he teaches at Carthage High School, which is cross registered at Jefferson Community College as GIS 150. This is a fantastic opportunity to learn more about building links between K-12 and Higher Education.
- Dave was elected to a leadership role in the Nassau Community College Academic Senate, so he has had a full plate of late. He shared that there was a similar program through their Math Department that they hope to revive.
- Andy is following up with Vince DiNoto at the GeoTech Center for the September webinar on reviving Community College programs. We have a date and time: September 11, 2014 from 1 – 2:30 p.m. We just need an abstract.
- Board updates from Andy:
 - ✓ StreetSmart ConnectEd Jack Dangermond video. Andy will forward to everyone. The Board wants to know what the Education committee is going to do in terms of outreach given Esri's donation of ArcGIS Online to all K-12 schools in the United States.
 - ✓ Andy had good conversations with David DiBiase of Esri. David has offered to send someone from his staff to speak at the GeoSpatial Summit. Andy announced this at the Board meeting.
 - ✓ Susan H. asked about coordination of K-12 Esri products. Ann replied that she is working with NYIT and Mike Jabot to update the web pages and post a news blurb publicizing how to go about applying for a K-12 ArcGIS Online Organizational Account. NYIT has revised the MOU to reflect the fact that the Esri NYS K-12 License includes only ArcGIS Desktop. ArcGIS Online will be handled directly with Esri at: <https://esri.app.box.com/connectedrequest>, which is a link from <http://connected.esri.com/#section-four>
- Jon Little attended Tom Mueller's workshop on ArcGIS Online for K-12. He recommended the Mapping Our World website. <http://edcommunity.esri.com/Resources/Collections/mapping-our-world> recommended IGETT-RS for resources: <http://igett.delmar.edu/index.html>
- Susan H. just did a workshop with 4-H educators with ArcGIS Online using the Collector mobile app. This was definitely a challenge, still a significant learning curve.
- Pete joined the call and introduced his work to the group.

- Andy strongly recommended everyone go to the GeoTech Center website (www.geotechcenter.org) and take advantage of the model courses and other resources. The Awareness Course (GST 100) should be up this week. (<http://www.geotechcenter.org/model-courses.html>)
- Dave Stern reminded the Committee of the SUNY Pathways initiative to make sure GIS is part of as many of the pathways as possible. Dave will forward information to Susan H. <http://www.suny.edu/attend/get-started/transfer-students/suny-transfer-paths/suny-transfer-paths-all/>
- Andy will send out a list of tasks for each Committee member to sign up for.
- Andy would like to establish a set date for our meetings, so we aren't doing a Doodle poll every month.