



Minutes
Nevada Geographic Information Society (NGIS)
April 2014 Board Meeting
April 22, 2014
APPROVED

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by NGIS President Matt Krok at 11:04 a.m.

Roll Call

Matt Krok, Eric Schmidt, Karin Hagan, Adam Johnson, Steve Mesa, Moni Fox, Eric Ingbar

Not Present –Gary Johnson, Karla Chavez, Mark O'Brien, Don Harper

Guests – None

Agenda Review

Adam moved to revise as we go, seconded, vote all aye.

Old Business

Minutes of January 28, 2014/February 18, 2014.

Matt requested that the Treasurer's report be added. Karin will also add a few additional lines of text. Tabled until May meeting.

Officer Reports

President (Matt) – Review of Business Meeting agenda.

Vice President (Eric S.) – Matt and Eric S. working on a facility for NGIS 2015, with new ideas on timing - looking at October. This would move our Conference to fall for the foreseeable future. The Vendors need to be aware, as it could shift in their fiscal year. If you know of a vendor, please reach out to them. An October conference may be better for the Federal members. Montbleu and Harveys are the main facilities we're looking at. We're also considering hosting an activity or reception in Summer 2015 to invite the Legislature to for a discussion of the present state of NGIS in Nevada.

Treasurer (Gary) – Not present.

Secretary (Karin) – Review of questions from the Business Meeting agenda.

Committee Reports

Web Committee

Adam reported that Wild Apricot will be upgrading to v.5. We currently have 85 members. The election survey was sent to all current members and a process is running to check for new members and send the survey to them. There have been 39 responses to dated. The cutoff for voting is 10:30am the day of the Business Meeting, and reminders will be sent out. We should have a projector at the Business Meeting to show results slides.

2014 Planning Committee

Matt reported that the budget is in the black as of now. We have 112 registrations, including vendors, to date. There should be approximately 127 people plus 10-12 volunteers from UNLV and FWS. We have 15 vendors with 15 booths. ESRI reduced their booths from 4 to 2, and there are no Federal booths. The NGIS booth will have a laptop to update member profiles, etc. There is still time to register for activities, and there is still room in each activity.

FGDC Cap Grant Steering Committee

Eric I. sent a spreadsheet to Matt for review prior to Gary incorporating it into the financials. Looking for ways to disseminate the information and ask for comments. NGIS webpage? NGIS forums? Adam asked if it needs to be open to non-GIS members, because Wild Apricot may not support that. Eric I. replied that yes, it should be open to all.

GeoSpeak

John was not present. Matt reported that the current issue just came out, and we should be sure to let John know how we appreciate him and his work.

New Business

Emergency Management

Eric S. reported that there is growing interest inside and outside of NGIS for a more coordinated effort in emergency management. Some teleconferences are already happening. NGIS can provide leadership here. Eric S. would like to build on Gary's work with HazUS. We need to pull together, formally and/or informally, and pull the State together on how we can make this work. Eric S. will start the discussion at his presentation at the Symposium. Matt asked if we can follow Eric's talk with an open session? Will check with Rich to see if there is space. Steve stated that there is an open period on Thursday that is a 90-minute space. Eric will send an abstract to Rich this afternoon for that space.

Other topics

Adam suggested that we table the discussions of the professional directory, leadership, strategic plan, and local efforts until the July meeting.

Open Discussion – Karin stated that she will be moving during the month of May.

The next regular Board meeting will be Thursday, May 8, 2014 at 7:00 a.m. Pacific.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.