



Minutes
Nevada Geographic Information Society (NGIS)
October 2012 Board Meeting
October 23, 2012
APPROVED

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by NGIS President Moni Fox at 11:04 am.

Roll Call

Moni Fox, Matt Krok, Gary Johnson, Karin Hagan, Mark O'Brien, Adam Johnson, Karla Chavez

Not Present – Lisa Desautels, Don Harper, Eric Schmidt, Steve Mesa

Guests –Eric Ingbar

Agenda Review

Adopted as written.

Old Business

Minutes of July 12, 2012

Motion to approve by Adam, seconded by Gary, no discussion. Unanimous approval.

Officer Reports

President: (Moni) Summary of October 2, 2012 activities via email meeting – Adam motioned that NGIS award the contract for the FGDC Cap Grant. Eight aye votes, zero nay votes, and three non-voting members were recorded. The motion carried. Moni thanked everyone for being available to participate. The final award letter has been mailed to App Geo.

Vice President: (Lisa) Not present.

Treasurer Report: (Gary) Reported that we have \$19,579.97 in the account as of the end of September. This includes \$2,782.98 spent on the PO Box, Constant Contact, storage, taxes and insurance. We have approximately \$475 outstanding for taxes.

Secretary: (Karin) The Minutes for the May 17 Business Meeting have not yet been written, but will be written and distributed to the Board for review prior to our next meeting.

Committee Reports

GeoSpeak – Moni stated that John is gathering information on activities for GIS Day, to be published prior to GIS Day.

Web Committee – Adam reported that the build for the new member database has been started and should be complete by the end of the year. A new feature has been added to the website to allow members to log in via Facebook and other social media accounts. He noted that we were inadvertently locked out of Constant Contact, but that log in issue has been resolved. If you have any trouble logging in to Constant Contact, please contact Adam before you use up the grace log ins. Our PayPal account will be updated in the next month to accept credit card payments. The new NGIS webpage was announced in a previous GeoSpeak issue. Once the next phase is complete (member profiles and dues), new announcements will be made.

2013 Planning Committee

Moni asked if we were on track for registration and dues to open by January 1? Adam stated that dues payment will open by January 1, but that he needs all registration specifics by the end of November to incorporate into the webpage and member database for the Conference registration.

Moni reported that vendor packets were sent out 1.5 weeks ago and also posted on the NGIS website. The logo has been selected and they are working on the graphic. The Save the Date messages will go out after the logo has been finalized. The Call for Papers and Posters will go out on January 1.

FGDC Cap Grant Steering Committee

Eric I. stated that the Committee is waiting on NGIS to approve the contract, and then they will resume their meetings. The stakeholder surveys are still live and they have received over 70 responses so far. Jeff Hardcastle (State Demographer) has a possible line on additional funding, so we may be able to increase the scope of work.

New Business

Cap Grant Contract (Moni)

Adam asked about Section 15, which stated that the contract is in Carson City. Eric I. replied that it will be changed to Reno. Adam moved to approve the contract as presented, with the amendment of the location to Reno. Gary seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, and the contract was approved with the noted change.

Membership Dues (Moni, Gary)

Moni and Gary will get together between now and the next meeting. They will include Adam for the web committee implications.

Proposed Bylaws Change (Adam)

Adam proposed changing Article 5 Section 1 Subsections a1, a2, c and d, and Article 5 Section 2 Subsections b and c. (See attachment at end of Minutes.) The proposed change would be communicated separately to the Membership. We do not have 2/3 of the Board present to put this change to a vote. Adam will send the proposed change to the Secretary, who will send out as a special email meeting later this week.

GIS Directory (Eric S.)

Adam reported that Eric S. has been busy, so the project is temporarily on hold.

NGIS Leadership in Nevada (Eric S.)

Eric S. has a regular column in GeoSpeak to support this concept.

NGIS Support to CSN (Don)

Don is not present.

Strategic Plan interest (Moni)

Moni asked if there was anyone interested in leading this topic. Not yet. Tabled until the next meeting.

2012 Conference Review (Matt)

Matt reported that total registration for the 2012 Conference was 124: 103 general registration, 11 students, 16 no-shows, 2 cancellation, 22 booths, 28 vendors. We did not sell out the vendor area. Budgetwise, we had an income of \$36,500 and expenses of \$29,100, for a net profit of \$7,331, plus \$500-1,000 outstanding.

Matt made a motion to authorize a \$2,000 donation to NGIF from the proceeds of the 2012 Conference, and noted that he would follow up with Eric I. for possible matching funds. The motion was seconded, and the vote was unanimous in approval. Gary will set up a check presentation ceremony at the 2013 Conference.

Open Discussion

Karin asked about the NGIS response to Sandra Rosenberg's email regarding the Nevada web-based mapping and informational tool (Uplan) proposed by NDOT. Moni and Mark stated that Washoe County and the BLM are planning to attend. Adam and Matt asked about sending the information out as an email blast or posting on GeoSpeak. Karin stated that she would contact Sandra and ask her to do a write-up about it for email and GeoSpeak.

The next regular Board meeting will be Tuesday, January 29, 2012, at 11:00 am.

Meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

Proposed Bylaws Change (Adam)

I move that Bylaws Article V (5) Section 1 Subsections A1, A2, C and D and Article V (5) Section 2 Subsections B, and C be amended to read as follows:

Article V Section 1:

A:

1. **President** ~~The President shall be the chief elected officer and the official spokesperson for the NGIS. He or she shall preside at all meetings of the Board and NGIS membership. The President may make and sign contracts and agreements, in the name of NGIS, with approval of the Board and in accordance with guidelines set forth by the Board. The President shall be elected to serve a term of one year. The President may be re-elected for no more than 4 consecutive terms. He or she must be an active member in good standing.~~ ~~shall be the immediate past Vice-President and shall serve for one term and shall automatically assume the position of Past-President on the Board immediately following his term of office. The President shall be the chief elected officer and the official spokesperson for the NGIS. He or she shall preside at all meetings of the Board and NGIS membership. He or she must be an active member in good standing. The President may make and sign contracts and agreements, in the name of NGIS, with approval of the Board and in accordance with guidelines set forth by the Board.~~
2. ~~President-Elect (Vice-President)~~ **Vice-President.** ~~The Vice-President shall be elected to serve a term of one year. The Vice-President may be re-elected for no more than 4 consecutive terms. The President Elect shall function as Vice-President and shall be the single nomination for President the following year. He~~ or she ~~assumes the duties of the President in the absence of the President. He or she performs other duties as the President and Board recommend. He or she must be an active member in good standing.~~

C: (Removal of presidential rotation)

C. Tenure of Officers and Directors. Officers and Directors shall assume office on the First day following the Annual Meeting. ~~President Elect shall be elected to serve one year as Vice President/President Elect, one year as President and one year as Past President (Board member).~~ Officers shall be elected to serve for a one (1) year term. Officers shall serve without compensation

D:

D. Vacancy. In the event of a vacancy in the office of the President, other than expiration of tenure, the ~~President Elect~~ Vice-President shall automatically succeed to the Presidency. Vacancies in any other elective office may be filled by the Board for the balance of the remaining term, at any regular or special Board meeting.

Article V Section 2:

B:

B. The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, ~~Past-President, President-Elect~~ Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and ~~six~~ seven (67) directors elected by the members. Directors shall serve without compensation.

C:

C. The ~~six~~ seven (67) additional elected directors shall be elected from the membership for a term of two (2) years on a staggered basis, with ~~three~~ (3) new expiring directors positions being elected

at each annual meeting. Directors should be active members as defined in Article III (D) and represent a diverse cross-section of the GIS community.

ADDENDUM OCTOBER 25, 2012

Karin forwarded a draft version of the proposed Bylaws changes to the Board on October 23 for review, voting and discussion. Following review, no comments were made by the Board. Votes were gathered via email, with nine “aye” votes and two “no response”. The voting was closed on October 25, with the motion carried.