



**Minutes**  
**Nevada Geographic Information Society (NGIS)**  
**January 2015 Board Meeting**  
**January 6, 2015**  
**APPROVED**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by NGIS President Matt Krok at 10:03 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Matt Krok, Eric Schmidt, Karin Hagan, Gary Johnson, Moni Fox, Don Harper, Eric Ingbar, Art Ehrenberg, Steve Mesa, Gary Zaepfel

Not Present – Mark O'Brien

Guests –Adam Johnson

Eric S. motioned to adopt the agenda as presented, Gary seconded, no discussion, all aye vote.

**Old Business**

**Minutes of November 4, 2014**

Gary J. motioned to adopt as presented, Art. seconded, no discussion, all aye vote.

**Officer Reports**

*President (Matt)* – We have a lot going on this year including planning for the 25<sup>th</sup> conference and a lot of opportunities like SNAP and the new legislative session. He asked all Board members to stay involved as much as you can.

*Vice President (Eric S.)*  
Deferred to agenda items.

*Treasurer (Gary J.)* – Treasurer's report as of December 29 attached at the end of these Minutes. The membership numbers need to be updated by Adam. He noted that a balance of more than \$15,000 is required to avoid bank fees and we're currently at \$14,367.55. He may adjust the account balance with funds from the Grant account to keep the balance above the fee trigger.

**Committee Reports**

*Web Committee*

Adam reported that we currently have 71 active members, of which 15 are overdue, 13 are lapsed, and 7 are pending. The data storage discussion is tabled.

### *2015 Planning Committee*

Eric S. reported that the Symposium will be October 12-14 at the Montbleu Resort in Tahoe. There is also an offer for the golf tournament to be held on the 11<sup>th</sup>. He sent the Montbleu proposal to the Board for review. The conference is a half day – whole day – half day setup and the Montbleu is charging us as if it were two days. He is arranging a site visit for the committee to see the facility. The committee sent out an RFP to various properties in the Tahoe ridge and lake areas and met with several. Most were too small for our group. Harrah's and Park Tahoe both declined to propose and Harvey's proposal was not aggressive. Matt and Eric S. met with Montbleu onsite, but the convention facilities were under construction at the time. A second site visit is planned once the construction is complete.

The Board will be cc'd on planning committee emails. Eric S. is setting up the committee now and assigning roles. Incident Command Structure (ICS) will be the format of the committee, which should streamline the process and meetings with simple lines of communication. Let him know if you can't service where he has placed you. We still need a Marketing/Web Unit leader.

During the first quarter, the committee will send out a call for theme and logo. We're not ready yet to set the registration fee. It was noted that Federal government employees need a rough estimate by the end of the week. Room rates are estimated to be \$113 +/- (loaded) with registration estimated at \$200 or less. Gary J. suggested negotiating with Montbleu to adjust the room rate to the State government rate. Registration will include two lunches (Tuesday and Wednesday).

The vendor pack will be put together soon. Please volunteer if you're interested in helping. Gary J. asked if there are any ads yet. Eric replied that no, there aren't any yet. The Planning division will work on that.

Moni asked if we were able to coordinate with ESRI on dates (for the Pacific UC, which was in this same timeframe in 2014). Moni and Matt L. contacted them but have not heard back yet. Eric S. will let them know our dates as ESRI has not set their dates yet. CalGIS was also approached as they are currently planning for the second half of the same week. They were not interested in combining conferences to create synergy for the vendors, attendees, etc.

Is the Board ok with the Montbleu as the location and the dates that have been chosen? Gary J. motioned that the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary NGIS Symposium be held October 12-14, 2015 at the Montbleu Resort Casino & Spa at Lake Tahoe. Gary Z. seconded. Discussion: the NGIF fundraising golf tournament will be held October 11<sup>th</sup>.

### *GeoSpeak*

John was not present. Karin reported that he will be advertising for a co-editor, and that the current call for articles has been announced. Matt will check in with him and see what he needs.

### **New Business**

#### *USGS for SNAP GIS*

Don reported that the proposal was submitted by Matt and that the SNPLMA proposal was also submitted. We should hear the results for the SNPLMA proposal by June and the USGS proposal by June/July. SNWA was able to obtain \$200,000 in funding from local agencies. Eric I. asked if we should put this in Geospeak? Don will write up an article.

#### *NGIS Leadership / Education*

Eric S. reported that WNC will carve out time for NGIS to meet with the academic administration and discuss the curriculum, so we can make a case to bring back the GIS curriculum. They used to have a certificate program and an Associate's degree program. They're starting to see funding increase as the economy bounces back. Eric is looking for the Board's blessing for a group to go and chat with WNC about the need for GIS. Adam asked if it could be combined with the second site visit to Montbleu? Eric replied yes. Eric S. has approval from the Board to set up a meeting with WNC. Gary Z. said that he would be interested in participating.

#### *Strategic Plan*

Matt asked that the Board refamiliarize ourselves with the NSGIC document.

#### *Open Discussion*

Steve asked if the NGIS Board would be interested in him being recognized as an NGA member on the Board? He will put together some details for the next meeting regarding what this would entail and what the benefits would be to NGIS.

The next regular Board meeting will be Tuesday, March 31, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. Pacific.

**Meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.**

Nevada Geographic Information Society 2014 Operating Report - 4th Quarter													
											1/6/2015		
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Totals:
P.O.Box					106.00								106.00
Constant Contact	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00						280.00
Web	55.66	55.66	55.66	55.66	55.66	55.66	75.23	143.89	82.39	66.27	14.51	114.51	830.76
Storage									430.00				430.00
Taxes													0.00
Insurance D&O				800.00									800.00
Sect of State					350.00								350.00
NGIF													0.00
Bank fees	29.95	29.95	29.95	29.95	0.00	0.00	29.95			19.50	15.00	18.00	202.25
Grant Bank Fees						5.00							5.00
<b>Monthly Total:</b>	<b>125.61</b>	<b>125.61</b>	<b>125.61</b>	<b>925.61</b>	<b>551.66</b>	<b>95.66</b>	<b>150.18</b>	<b>143.89</b>	<b>512.39</b>	<b>85.77</b>	<b>29.51</b>	<b>132.51</b>	<b>3,004.01</b>

Operating Expenses: \$3,004.01

Notes:

12/29/2014 Balance to date: \$14,367.55	NGIS Main Account	14,367.55
12/29/2014 Balance to date: \$1,529.38	PayPal Account	1,529.38
12/29/2014 Balance to date: 10,305.52	NGIS Grant Account	10,305.52
12/29/2014 Balance to date: 26,202.45	<- Total	26,202.45

10,305.52 = Remaining in grant fund as of 12/29/2014

Gross	PayPal	Net
30.00	-1.17	28.83
2,520.00	-98.28	2,421.72

Membership Payments: 84  
 Note 1: Adam will have more accurate membership numbers, so this may vary a little.  
 Note 2: 5 paid by check  
 Note 3: Membership fees have paid for operating expenses so far this year.