



**Minutes**  
**Nevada Geographic Information Society (NGIS)**  
**July 2016 Board Meeting**  
**July 28, 2016**  
**APPROVED**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by NGIS President Gary Zaepfel at 3:06 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Present: Gary Zaepfel, Don Harper, Karin Hagan, Gary Johnson, Andrea Adams, Art Ehrenberg, Eric Ford, Sue Buto, Moni Fox, Eric Schmidt, Jennifer Vican

Not Present: None.

Guests –None

**Officer Reports**

*President (Gary Z.)*

Gary Z. reported that we currently have 123 members, including one new in the last 30 days.

*Treasurer (Gary J.)* – See attached account report. There are two new web charges in June and July; \$70 plus the normal web charges for Wild Apricot. The initial two free years are complete. We currently have \$19,821 in checking; \$10,300 in the grant account; and \$1,145 in the PayPal account. There will be a \$400 charge in August or September for the storage unit in Reno.

*Vice President (Don)*

The Education Subcommittee is starting up. The mission statement is in progress, and Don will present it to the Board once it's finalized.

*Secretary (Karin)*

Gary J. made a motion to approve the Minutes from the April meeting as corrected, Gary Z. seconded. Vote – all aye.

**Committee Reports**

*Web (Gary Z.)*

Gary Z. reported that the website is being maintained and updated regularly including job postings. Gary J. asked about creating a survey to ask job posting submitters if posting their opening on the NGIS web page helped them find candidates. Don noted that Fallon Naval Air Station has a position coming up. Gary Z. said that Washoe County will have a couple of positions coming up.

*Geospeak (John Ellis)*

John is not present.

*2017 Planning Committee (Andrea)*

Andrea reported that the Planning Committee had a meeting last week. They are currently reviewing activity ideas, like ziplining, and are on track for the various deadlines. They've had a few new volunteers step up – Erika Provost and Matt Forrest. The logo contest is currently ongoing and a reminder will be sent out toward the end of August. There are currently no entries. The committee is looking at ideas for swag bags and pricing estimate, and exploring the possibility of having the vendors sponsor the swag instead of the actual bags. Art noted that the hotel is set and we have the whole week held for now. He's starting to talk to the hotel about booth setup.

### **New Business**

*NSGIC (Jennifer)*

Rachel Micander will serve as the state representative. The NBMG cartography shop cannot attend the conference this year, but Eric I. should be attending to report on the grant. Gary Z. asked about travel expenses for Eric I. Gary J. said that we should have it covered. The conference is in October. Gary Z. will get costs from Eric I. Jennifer asked about covering the membership dues for Rachel (\$300/year)? Gary J. suggested that the cost may be split between NGIS and NBMG, at least for the first year.

*GMA (Jennifer)*

Remove from future agendas.

*USGS/SNAP (Don)*

There have been no new meetings. The SNAP LiDAR Clark County request was denied last time. They're looking at improving the presentation for the next round, next summer. Remove from future agendas.

*Education Subcommittee (Don / Eric S.)*

The subcommittee is starting up and working on their mission statement. The input and response so far has been enthusiastic, and it is good to see a formal effort on the part of NGIS. Don is going to suggest adding in a time block at the 2017 Conference for the subcommittee.

Eric S. reported that the community college offerings are driven by what is offered at the four-year universities. He would also like to see an impact to local high schools where NGIS is located. Jennifer said that she had a similar conversation at a community college; the schools are graded on the number of graduates, not the number of classes or students enrolled. This makes it difficult for the GIS programs, since the classes are parts of other degrees and not degrees on their own.

Art asked if we know how many GIS positions there are in the state? Eric S. said that was part of the purpose of the professional directory initiative that has been on hold. There is currently no directory of GIS positions, even for the public sector. Therefore, no hard data to bring to the schools as part of the argument.

Is GIS a professional skill or a technical skill? Maybe we can borrow some metrics from URISA.

*2016 Vision (Gary Z.)*

Jennifer said that the GMA asks for goals which can tie back to these vision ideas. (1) NSGIC representative – done. (2) LiDAR for Clark County – denied, will resubmit. Also, we have the general lack of a GIO or clearinghouse for the state.

Remove education from the vision ideas listing in future agendas.

### **Open Discussion**

Eric S. is on the steering committee for the Nevada Emergency Management Association, which is interested in a cooperative relationship with NGIS. The NEMA is well positioned with government contacts and may help us with our state goals. Add as a line item on future agendas.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 11 at 3 p.m.

**Meeting adjourned at 3:59.**

2013 Operating Expenses \$4,988.56  
 2014 Operating Expenses \$3,004.01  
 2015 Operating Expenses \$2,870.42  
 2016 Operating Expenses \$1,240.27

Nevada Geographic Information Society 2016 Operating Report - 2nd Quarter													
											7/28/2016		
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Totals:
P.O.Box	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	130.00	5.00						130.00
Paypal	11.56	10.90	10.43	10.51	10.42	82.53	80.42						35.00
Web													216.77
Storage													0.00
Taxes													0.00
Insurance D&O				800.00									800.00
Sect of State					50.00		3.00						50.00
NGIF	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.00	2.50								3.00
Bank fees													5.50
Grant Bank Fees													0.00
Air Fare													0.00
Monthly Total:	16.56	15.90	15.43	808.51	67.92	217.53	88.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,240.27
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Notes:

Beginning Balance:	20,772.31
1/1/2016	513.72
1/1/2016	10,300.52
1/1/2016	31,586.55

As of 7/28/2016	
NGIS Main Account	19,871.39
PayPal Account	1,145.00
NGIS Grant Account	10,300.52
	31,266.91

Gross	PayPal	Net
30.00	-1.17	28.83
3,690.00	-143.91	3,546.09

Membership Payments: 123  
 Note 1: Gary Z, will have more accurate membership numbers, so this may vary a little.

NGIS Conference:	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals
Expenses:	0.00	0.00	0.00	750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Income:													750.00

Conference Net: 750.00