

AGENDA
GIS/LIS Consortium Board
Friday June 13, 2008
10:00 a.m. to Noon
Location – Ewald Consulting
1000 Westgate Drive, Ste. 252
St. Paul, MN 55114-1067

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Steve Benson - State Government
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Nancy Rader - LMIC

Committee Chairs

Banette Kritzky - Scholarship/Database
Jane Mueller - Professional Development
Don Yaeger - Newsletter
Gerry Sjerven - Webmaster

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Approval of Agenda / Additions to Agenda
Secretary's Report Approval of Minutes
Treasurer's Report Approval of Report

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Action Items\New Business

- **Ewald Contract**
- **Conference Budget**
- **History Center Partnership**
- **Database/Member Services**

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Committee Reports – May 2008

Awards

Dan Ross has contacted Polaris alumni and found strong interest in taking over the Awards activity. Looks like he will become the chair, a position that will rotate on biannual basis. No nominations have been received yet, but two names have been mentioned.

Conference Committee Report

- The conference committee met on June 5.
- Sub-committee reports:
 - Workshop committee
 1. We have 17 confirmed workshops and instructors
 2. A new workshop will be offered on crime mapping. Heidi also reported that she is working on having a GIS and utilities workshop.
 3. Scott and Heide are coordinating the most popular workshop requests from spring workshops
 4. Heidi is trying to confirm, the cost of computers from Mankato State, she believes the cost will be the same as last year.
 - Sessions committee
 1. We have an 8% increase in abstracts from 2007
 2. There will be:
 - 3 – 60 minutes presentations
 - 7 – 90 minute presentations
 - 16 posters
 - 13 product demos
 - 53 individual presentations
 3. Shelly will be working on the information for the preliminary program
 - Facilities committee
 1. Location for lunch on Wednesday was confirmed, Grand Ballroom
 2. Curt provided a brief report on the signage and room set up
 - Entertainment committee
 1. We are confirmed with the Goonies on Wednesday night
 2. We are confirmed to have the beer tasting at the Radisson Hotel.
 3. Steve has ordered the beer glasses
 4. Jen will be sending names and quotes for a buck skinner and blacksmith.
 - Silent Action committee
 1. No Report
 - Communications committee
 1. June 13 Brochure Materials Deadline. Kari will be sending the word document to chairs in the next week to begin editing.
 2. Birds of a Feather: The committee discussed whether or not to do Birds of a Feather this year and if so, who will do it? Christy Shostal will chair this portion of the program.
 3. Exhibitor Call Back: The tentative plan is to call back exhibitors between July 14-24, 2008, since early bird ends on July 25. Jeff Storlie will lead this.

4. Minnesota Sesquicentennial theme: The committee discussed how to celebrate this at the conference. Lesley Kadish from the History Center will work with us and will provide resources from the Center.
5. Exhibitor brochure was mailed
6. Scott has gone through our member list and removed obvious duplicates. These changes were then made to the database. In addition, Scott removed the returned mailing to vendors from the database. There were 20 so far.

The next meeting is set for July 10th

Database Committee

No Report this month

Governor's Council

The Council is wrapping up the fiscal year. Committees will report on FY08 accomplishments and plans for next year at the June 25 meeting. Check committee reports for details on their activities: http://www.gis.state.mn.us/Minutes/committee_reports/index.html

The May 28 meeting in Rochester went very well with good discussion and five impressive presentations:

- GIS for decision support (Phil Wheeler, Sandi Goslee)
 - Goodhue County GIS User Group (Sarah Schrader, Al Laumeyer)
 - Local crime mapping (Leanne Knott)
 - Roadway centerline database (Jan Chezick)
 - GIS-based outage management (Greg Rowley, Ryan Moore)
- Presentation slides will soon be posted on the council website.

History

No Report this month

LMIC Report

1. NAIP 2008 update:

Flights have begun! Unfortunately, unfavorable weather hampered collection of leaf-off imagery in the Arrowhead. See:

- FSA's status maps:

<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/apfoapp?area=home&subject=maps&topic=landing>

- LMIC's information page: http://www.lmic.state.mn.us/chouse/airphoto_usda_2008.html

2. Drive to Excellence Enterprise GIS project update:

- Applied Geographics has been hired to assist with the project.
- A kick-off meeting was held May 13 -- slides are posted on the project website:

<http://www.gis.state.mn.us/committee/MSDI/dte.htm>

- A web-based survey for all stakeholders will be conducted June 2008.
- Small group interviews for many State agencies will be held June 16-19 and 23-26.
- A workshop for non-State stakeholders will be held June 24.
- A workshop for State stakeholders will be held in July or August.
- Project completion and final report are scheduled for October.

3. LiDAR update:

The southeast Minnesota LiDAR project made it through the legislative process. For details, check with Tim Loesch, aka "Mr. LiDAR".

Newsletter

The Summer issue should be online soon. It includes an article about Talbot Brooks' recent lectures on the U.S. National Grid -- Mr. Brooks will be our fall conference keynote speaker.

The deadline for the Fall issue is August 1.

Policy

No Report this month

Professional Development Committee

The 2008 Spring Workshops held on Thursday, May 15th at the MN DOT Training Facility in Arden Hills were a huge success. Below are the breakdowns of registrations by workshop title. Numbers in parentheses are the number of seats that were available in each workshop. We did have 19 registrations that were no-shows. According to Ewald, those 19 registrations were not among any earlier cancelations and will be billed for the workshops.

Enterprise Data Management with ArcGIS Server 9.2 (Lecture) = 51 (60)

ArcGIS Server 9.2 Web Applications & Services – Getting Started with Implementation (Lecture) = 43 (60)

LiDAR Demonstration with LiDAR Data in 3D Analyst & Use of LiDAR data for Hydraulic Analysis using the HEC-GeoRAS Extension in ArcGIS = 21 (40)

Using LiDAR Data in ArcGIS = 18 (18)

Hydrologic Modeling with ArcHydrology = 18 (18)

Beginning Integrating Google SketchUp into the GIS Workflow = 7 (8) previously filled, once cancelled.

Intermediate Integrating Google SketchUp into the GIS Workflow = 8 (8)

Introduction to Geospatial Programming using Python = 12 (12)

Intermediate Geospatial Programming with Python = 12 (12)

Introduction to Model Builder = 10 (10)

Expanding Model Functionality = 10 (10)

The food and catering service was excellent. A special thanks to Joella Givens for suggesting Nelson Deli Catering services and also to Leanne Knott who coordinated all of the catering needs.

The full amount of \$300 for each of the 11 workshops has been included as an expense in the budget. Unfortunately, I do not have a breakdown of honorarium amounts that were donated to the scholarship fund and those that were paid out to instructors at this time. Ewald did not have the final counts yet on this item.

A very special thanks to the six student moderators who assisted instructors that day as well. Heidi Gaedy and Ben Richason did an excellent job of recruiting them.

Once again, I'd like to extend my appreciation to everyone on the committee for all of their efforts. The final net revenue for event was \$8,598.12. Considering the one-time low registration rate of

\$75/workshop, the event was very successful.

Scholarship

No Report this month

Web Committee

Salary Survey - we met on May 12, and decided to do a small on-line survey for two purposes. One, to query the Board on how the committee should proceed with the salary survey. Two, to test the on-line survey abilities of Affiniscape. We are in the process of setting up that survey.

The Web Committee hasn't had a discussion on this topic yet, but I would like to bring up the "New Upcoming Member Services" described on the website, specifically tracking Consortium events for each member.