
CGIA Board of Directors Meeting

November 10, 2020 @10:00 – 11:30 AM

MINUTES

I. BOARD ROLL CALL

Officers:

Chair: Bond Harper
Vice Chair: Chris Robinson
Secretary: Norman Wong
Treasurer: Mary Hurley
Past Chair: An-Min Wu

Directors Representing:

Federal Government

Jayme Laber

City Government

Steven Kincaid
 Zachary Robinson

County Government

Christine Lam

Regional Council of Governments and Regional Association of Governments

Dave Powers

State Government

Ralph Jaggi
 Mihai Giurgiulescu

Education

Danielle Bram

Private Sector Companies

Denise Tober
 Solomon Pulapkura

Professional Societies and Not-for-Profits

Jochen Albrecht
 Steven Steinberg

II. MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

- Last meeting minutes (September): Steve S. made a motion to approve; Jochen seconded; Board approved.
- General meeting minutes need proofread; will vote to approve via email.

IV. EXTERNAL BUSINESS #1 in the agenda was moved up for CA GIS Council update (Jane):

- Council's Executive Committee was re-elected and members will serve from October 2020 – September 2021.
- Council charter and strategic plan is currently being reviewed
- A new workgroup Public Policy and Legislative Analysis, suggested by Jacob Marks, is being formed; Current members also include Isaac (state GIO), Steve S., Glenn O'Grady (URISA International). Jane invited CGIA Board to join the workgroup. The workgroup will pay attention to Assembly Bill 2209.
- Steve S. addressed the need to look at on state-level administration.
- Jochen asked how formal the GIS Council is, and whether the Advisory Council proposed in AB2209 is just the same name. Jane answered that no funding is in AB2209 and it will depend how we see ourselves and whether we can be the technical committee to advise state GIO.
- Mary suggested to join the workgroup on behalf of CGIA Advocacy subcommittee; Bond agreed that the subcommittee can participate to be one voice from CGIA.
- Mihai asked about the number of members in the workgroup to be efficient. Jane answered it not being a concern at this moment.

III. INTERNAL BUSINESS

1. Treasurer's Report (Mary)

- Currently \$36,560 in Treasury
- Account grows steadily as no expenses except for HostGator renewal (3 years) and see new members coming.

2. Standing Committee Reports:

A. Membership (Denise)

- 4 new members with 3 being student members.
- The number of members (119 or 120) is steady.
- Denise said that 11% of the members are student members. Steve suggested that we set up a 'advocacy scholarship' to support a student assistant. Danielle also mentioned that a new workgroup in GIS council 'Education' is being formed and can work together with this suggestion. More was then moved to further discussion in the New Business section.

B. Website (Norman, Steve S., Bond, Zachary)

- No update
- Zach said that he's available to help

C. Advocacy (Chris, Solomon, Mihai, Mary)

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- Mary plans to set up a call with Isaac in next two weeks and to understand the goals and objectives of Isaac as a GIO
 - D. Awards (Chris, Christine)
 - No update
 - E. Elections (Dave, Steve K.)
 - No update
 - F. Communications (Jayme, Rachel)
 - Jayme said that he continues to post jobs, but can have more Board members help communications.
 - Christine asked for new Board members' personal emails to add them as CGIA Facebook admin.
3. By-laws update (Bond):
- Bond asked how we should conduct the vote for members. Steve suggested to use an online tool such as ElectionBuddy for members to vote. It costs \$19 for up to 350 people in one-time election:
 - Ralph made a motion to spend the one-time fee in ElectionBuddy; An-Min seconded; Board approved.
 - Mary to pay it through PayPal; Steve to set up the voting site, and send with chair or membership@cgia.org email.

IV. EXTERNAL BUSINESS

1. CA GIS Council (Jane): Agenda has moved up in the meeting. See discussion above.
2. CalGIS Conference update
 - No update yet
3. CARCGA webinar
 - Chris & Bond is conducting a webinar on behalf of CGIA for CARCGA technical education this Friday (November 13, 2020). This is the one-call legislation signed to require all new subsurface utility using GIS by January 1, 2023.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Support for our professional community (Bond)
 - Bond asked for brainstorming ideas to support the recent graduates unable to find work and our peers who have been laid off. This relates to Steve's and Danielle's idea on advocacy scholarship and student assistant earlier.
 - Denise suggested that we allow resume upload for members; Danielle supported this idea as a member benefit. Steve asked what tools to use in facilitating this:
 - Bond said that we can call for students to build this as the GIS Resource Map we did several years ago. Steve responded to say it will be better to fix the payment amount.
 - Danielle suggested an AGOL account and said if the call is limited to students, we can use CSUN's education license on AGOL.
 - Steve said that if we collaborate this with URISA, we might be able to use URISA's non-profit account.

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- Bond thinks this is not an issue but we should first reach out to URISA with this idea. On the same line, we can also share GIS Resource Map with URISA. Bond will reach out to Rachel on the collaboration.
2. Los Angeles Geospatial Summit
 - An-Min received the request from USC Spatial Sciences Institute for the same sponsorship level we did last year for LA Geospatial Summit (\$500). The conference will be virtual on February 26, 2021. The benefits for sponsorships include discounted registration rate (\$35) for CGIA members, a 90-minute virtual exhibit and social media promotion etc.
 - Steve S. made a motion to sponsor LA Geospatial Summit for \$500, Dave seconded and Board approved.
 - An-Min to inform Bond when the conference needs the material and to tell Jayme for social media promotion.
 3. Los Angeles GIS Day
 - Steve S. announced the LA GIS Day to be on 11/18-19 online. The GIS Day program is free but the registration is required.
 - Christine asked for the GIS Day sponsorship (\$50 gift card). Zach made a motion on the \$50 gift card sponsorship, Denise seconded, Steve S. abstained, and Board approved.
 - Steve will send the GIS Day information to Jayme to post on social media.
 4. NorthStateGIS.org
 - Steve Kincaid is building a GIS hub for NoCal: <https://www.northstategis.org/>. There will be a virtual GIS Day event on the website.

VI. ADJOURN 11:30 AM

Next CGIA Board Meeting: Tuesday, January 12th, 2021