

Potomac Region of the American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing

Meeting Minutes

Date: 16 March 2006

Time: Meeting called to order 4:30 by President Dave Kohlbrenner

Location: Teleconference

Attendees:

Doug Howard

Nate Smith

Dave Szymanski.

Dave Kohlbrenner.

Amy Becker

Jim Hipple.

Debasri Mitra

Agenda Topics:

1. Approve Meeting Minutes
2. New Board Members
3. Treasures Report
4. TUGIS
5. Annual Dinner Status
6. GeoTech 2006
7. 2009 ASPRS Conference
8. Committee Status-
9. Miscellaneous

Topic 1: Approve meeting minutes

Doug H. reviewed meeting minutes from Jan. 06 meeting.

Motions: Dave K move to approve all in favor.

Follow-up: None

Topic 2: New Board Members

Motions:

Follow-up:

Topic 3: Treasurers Report

Doug H. reported \$44K total on books, which were submitted to HQ.

Dave K. wanted to know if we broke even for year, costs vs. expenses. Nate S. said yes.

Doug H. reports a \$ 23K loss for 2005 due to National and GeoTech conferences

Doug H. suggests Region invest in Quicken software to for Sec/Treas to maintain books and interface with on-line banking transactions. Dave S. agreed and mentioned he didn't have a personal copy.

Motions: Dave K. moves to buy Quicken, Doug H. second, all in favor, none against.

Follow-up: Dave S. and Doug H. to meet and transition Region financial. Need to distribute full report to the Board and approve at next meeting.

Topic 4: Towson University GIS Conference

Dave K. states TUGIS will be held on 3/20, 3/21, and requests board member help to sit with an ASPRS table to distribute ASPRS literature.

E-mail Yogen that possibly one person.

Motions: None

Follow-up: Dave K. to follow up with Yogen

Topic 5: Annual Dinner Status

Dave K. emphasized the meeting attendance, reviewed meeting registrants, and solicited ideas for keynote speaker.

Motions: None

Follow-up: Board members need to register by COB Fri. 3/18/2006

Topic 6: GeoTech 2006

Dave K. suggested the need to come up with ideas for conference theme.

Nate S. reiterated the conference aim is application of technology rather than subject mater. Nate S. reviewed previous year's topics. Dave K. Doug H. will meet with folks from NOAA/National Geodetic Survey and discuss conference logistics and solicit input

on topics. Dave K. mentioned the conference date in October is a better approach to 2005, which was in September.

Nate S. suggested the possibility of a contingency venue possibly with corporate sponsorship.

Dave K. will continue to keep this on the board agenda

Motions:

Follow-up: Doug H. and Dave K. will meet with NOAA/NGS about conference logistics and solicit input about themes.

Dave K. to keep GeoTech 2006 on the Board agenda.

Topic 7: 2009 National Conference in Baltimore

Jim H. Reports planning should begin for 2009 National Conference in Baltimore. Jim H. is seeking documents, submitted budget specifically, from 2005 Conference. Jim H. is soliciting ideas for conference themes, organization, content, and logistics. Jim H. recommended that a 2009 Conference Committee be established within the next six months.

Dave K. will bring 2009 National Conference planning up in future meetings. Current officers should attend 2006 National Conference in Reno and attend meetings dealing with conference planning.

Motions:

Follow-up:

Topic 8: Committee Status

Dave K. discussed strategy for fully utilizing committees and will study by-laws and fill chairmanship and membership positions soon. The general thought is to utilize volunteer, non-board members more.

Nate S. discussed nominating committee and Dave K. said he will add members.

Amy B. discussed the idea of having the Membership Committee and the Education Committee work together and strategize to increase membership from local universities. Dr. Gomez was mentioned as the chair of the Education committee.

Nate S. said that the region should be active in nominating and recognizing region members more frequently and recommended GeoTech 2006 as the proper venue, among others. He will consult by-laws and come up with a list of relevant awards

Awards Committee

Nate S. we should be working more at recognizing members, possibly at GeoTech 2006.

Dave K. mentioned his on-going work on the communications committee and has a plan for the Web site. Dave K. asked for the newsletter template.

Motions:

Follow-up: Dave K. to select committees and pick members. Amy B. will follow up with Dr. Gomez. Nate S. will formulate list of awards.

Topic: 9: Miscellaneous

Nate S. supports the idea of developing a 2006 region budget soon as a guide for planning activities. Doug H. agreed.
Doug H. wanted to know what administrative things needed to be done at beginning of year.

Motions:

Follow-up: Dave S., and officers will work out a 2006 budget.

Adjourn:

Dave K. move to adjourn. All agree
Meeting adjourned 5:25