



MAGIC

Memphis Area Geographic Information Council

Board Meeting 3/19/2008

Location: Memphis Central Library, Meeting Room B

Time: 2:00 PM

Minutes prepared by Joyce Brasell, Secretary

Board members present: Joyce Brasell, Todd Graves, Ryan Hanson, Robert Jackson, Tom Lawrence, Glen McDaniel, Jim Milford, Rick Stieg, Nancy Thompson, Rick Wery.

Kevin Bingham attended via conference call.

Board members absent: Janiece Riggins, Vic Young (out of town on vacation), Lema Kebede, Peter Pace

Others present: Shawn Anderson

President Rick Stieg called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. with a quorum present, and stated that Kevin Bingham would attend the meeting via conference call.

1. Approval of 2/20 Board meeting minutes

The minutes of the February 20, 2008 Board Meeting were corrected as follows:

1. A last sentence of the proposed addendum to the MAGIC ByLaws was added: ‘...Directors are cautioned to limit proxy voting to three (3) or less meetings per year. Attendance is preferred, showing a commitment to the advancement of MAGIC.’
2. ‘ArcGIS II’ training offered by Northwest Mississippi Community College at Batesville Enterprise Center is scheduled on April 16-18 at a cost of \$175 for non-Mississippi residents and non-Mississippi government employees, and ‘Introduction to Programming ArcObjects with VBA’ is scheduled at NWCC DeSoto Center on June 2-6, 2008 at a cost of \$300, free to Mississippi government agency employees.

Motion to accept the minutes as corrected was made by Rick Wery and seconded by Nancy Thompson. Motion carried.

Secretary Joyce Brasell asked that all present sign the **Attendance Sheet**.

2. Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer Tom Lawrence reported a balance of \$3,674.76 as of 3/19/08. Members were encouraged to pay dues of \$25.00 before March 31st in order to attend the conference without further registration fees. Jim Milford moved

3. Committee Reports

Nominations- Lema Kebede’s Board position will need to be filled. Janiece Riggins desires to remain on Board after retirement.

Conference- President Rick Stieg stated our 8th Annual 2008 GIS Day Conference will be on November 13th (Thursday) and November 14th (Friday). Training is being planned, possibly ArcGIS I and II, on November 12th (Wednesday) at a time and location to be determined after Ryan Hanson and Rick Stieg meet. Board members were encouraged to suggest speakers for the conference.

Communication / Public Relations- Jim Milford announced that the MAGIC website is being rebuilt and reorganized with the same look and feel of the earlier site. The site should be up and running by the

Board meeting in April. If a newsletter is to be published, members should send news contributions.

Membership / Development- Ryan Hanson sent out a survey by e-mail and got two replies. Ryan is purging, merging two lists, and reorganizing the mass e-mail listing. He requested that members let him know of additions or deletions, or if the same message arrives twice.

Ryan is willing to send mass e-mails for MAGIC.

Training / Education- Joyce Brasell announced several upcoming non-credit GIS classes to be offered by Northwest Mississippi Community College.

Rick Wery commented that Pictometry may be a good choice for training sessions before the conference.

Leonard Locke is organizing 4-H GIS clubs that are broadcast over Mississippi Extension Service conferencing connections. He asked for suggestions for speakers on the first Monday in each month.

The possibility exists for the formation of a junior EMA. A suggestion was made to read the MAGIC Newsletter during the 4-H Club broadcast, and to submit an article for the MAGIC newsletter.

Bylaws- The suggestions for change will be presented to the general membership. A simple majority will be necessary to pass the suggested amendment. A 2/3 majority needed to pass by-law amendments will be addressed at a later date.

4. Old Business

General Meeting Speaker List
Proposed Bylaws Changes

5. New Business

Tom Lawrence and Rick Stieg addressed the 'Annual Electronic Filing Requirement for Small Exempt Organizations,' and it needs further discussion. The report can be submitted on a post card and Todd and Rick will send the card. MAGIC has been re-registered with the state.

Ryan Hansen motioned to dismiss. Glen McDaniels seconded. Meeting adjourned at 2:55.