

**Memphis
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Information**

Council

Board Meeting: March 15, 2017
Benjamin Hooks Central Library
3030 Poplar Ave, Memphis TN 38111
Time: 2:00 pm
Prepared by Justin Abart

MINUTES

Call Meeting to Order and Establish Quorum

Quorum established at 2:18pm by President Carlton Ray.

Board Members Present: Marie Holyfield, Shawn Anderson, Justin Abart, AJ Robinson, Scott Trapolino, Carlton Ray, Lauren Patterson

Approval of August Board Meeting Minutes

Motion presented by: Shawn

Seconded by: Marie

Discussion: Approved unanimously

No new additions or deletions to the agenda.

Treasurer's Report

Balance: \$8,944.94

Discussion: Duncan Parnell has paid (\$500). Soon, we will put deposit (\$800) on the Agricenter for the 2017 conference.

New Business

Communications/Public Relations:

Carlton reported that we are still in the process of migrating the website to squarespace. He expects this migration to be completed within the next couple of weeks.

Membership/Dev:

Lindsay Barrios will no longer be able to serve as a Board Member. We will fill her position if someone is willing to step in and participate.

Justin reached out to Dr. Ozdenerol and Dr. Antipova for possible student candidates to serve as a liaison on the Board. They both responded that they would put the word out to potential candidates.

Training/Education:

Shawn will put together another session of 'Getting to know GIS' and will target the month of April for this training event. He will send out the information to the group when details get finalized.

Conference:

ASPRS- Shawn gave a report about the conference call between MAGIC and ASPRS representatives. *See ASPRS- Partnership report with email.* Scott will distribute the 'Call for Papers' to ASPRS for approval before we make the announcement public. The deadline for presentation submission is October 13th. Justin will distribute to the membership list after approval from ASPRS.

Lauren will block off rooms for Hotel. Early bird registration ends July 31st. ASPRS members will register for conference through Eventbrite like MAGIC members. We will have a different name tag distinction for MAGIC and ASPRS members.

Shawn made a motion for MAGIC to partner with ASPRS for the 2017 conference. Scott seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

We continued the discussion about potential keynote speakers and will seek input from ASPRS about potential candidates.

Marie reported that the Agricenter will cover windows for free to provide shade in the main corridor. She will have access to drapes for vendors who request them.

Lauren will coordinate the possibility of using food trucks for the conference meal on the second day. She will determine availability and range of meal costs.

Grants:

Lauren talked about looking into the Mid-American GIS users group and possibly model a grant program off theirs. No other updates to report.

Adjournment

Motion presented by: Marie

Seconded by: Scott

Time: 4:00pm