



Memphis Area Geographic Information Council

Board Meeting: January 17, 2019

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6423 Shelby View Dr #101

Memphis, TN 38134

Time: 3:00 pm

Prepared by Rob Winkler

MINUTES

Call Meeting to Order and Establish Quorum

Quorum established at 3:05pm by President Matt Oaks.

Board Members Present: Matt Oaks, Justin Abart, Andrew McColgan, Rob Winkler, Tom Lawrence, Marie Holyfield, AJ Robinson, Scott Trapolino (teleconference), Lauren Patterson (teleconference)

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

No minutes from November or December 2018 because no quorum was established.

Board secretary was not present for October 2018 board meeting, and it seems that minutes were not maintained.

Additions and Deletions to Agenda

No changes. Agenda was presented by Matt.

Treasurer's Report

Lauren reported there was no change to the Treasure's Report. Balance **\$9,218.41**.

New Business

Board Members: The following board members were scheduled to roll off:

- Lauren Patterson
- Shawn Anderson
- Carlton Ray
- Matt Oaks
- Justin Abart

However all except Shawn Anderson decided to stay on another 3 years. Meanwhile, Zinnia Ron-Ferguson moved away so is no longer on board; she was scheduled to roll off in December 2019.

Appointment of new members:

- Heidi Slakens (3-year term)
 - motion to approve – Lauren
 - motion to second – Andrew
 - Vote was unanimous
- Jay Puckett (3-year term)
 - motion to approve – Andrew
 - motion to second – Tom
 - Vote was unanimous
- Ben Lundberg (1-year term, filling the remainder of Zinnia's term)
 - motion to approve – Andrew
 - motion to second – Tom
 - Vote was unanimous

Appointment of new officers:

- AJ Robinson– Vice President/President-Elect
 - motion to approve - Justin;
 - motion to second – Andrew
 - Vote was unanimous
- Lauren Patterson – Treasurer
 - motion to approve – Justin
 - motion to second – Tom
 - Vote was unanimous
- Rob Winkler – Secretary
 - motion to approve – Tom
 - motion to second – Andrew
 - Vote was unanimous

Partnering with TNGIC for 2019 Conference and beyond

TNGIC Board Member Kevin Bingham spoke on behalf of TNGIC. Kevin presented the possibility of combining the 2019 MAGIC Conference with the TNGIC West Regional Forum, which usually takes place in Jackson around the same time as the MAGIC Conference. MAGIC and TNGIC have been competing for attendees and sponsors who often have to choose between one or the other due to cost and time considerations. The TNGIC board has proposed scheduling a combined MAGIC/TNGIC conference for late October/early November timeframe in Memphis in lieu of the usual West Regional Forum in Jackson. This could be followed in 2020 by a similar event in Jackson. In 2021, the April TNGIC Conference will be in Memphis, so it was suggested that MAGIC Conference in Fall 2021 should be a smaller 1-day event. It was brought up that 2020 will be 20th anniversary of MAGIC, and MAGIC may not want to have conference in Jackson for 20th anniversary. Discussion ensued about how all this might affect attendance. There was also discussion of having the combined TNGIC/MAGIC 2019 conference

located outside of Memphis to make it easier for some people to attend. However this could make it more difficult for sponsors/vendors. In any event, the cost of continuing to have an annual 2-day conference without combining with TNGIC on some events is becoming more difficult due to competition for attendees and sponsors. There was general agreement to partner with TNGIC on these events when it makes sense, to avoid having too many events too close together. This segued into discussion about the appropriate venue; however, nothing was decided. Kevin Bingham will take this back to TNGIC Board to get feedback. AJ offered to participate in a conference call with the TNGIC Board during the next TNGIC Board meeting. Kevin will propose 3 dates for a one-day 2019 joint conference to his board: 10/23/2019, 10/30/2019, and 11/6/2019.

2019 General Meetings

Due to scheduling conflicts, the Benjamin Hooks Central Library is unavailable for general meetings in 2019. Tom Lawrence proposed Christian Brothers University as an alternative site. Dr. Lin at CBU told him they have a room available. Tom and AJ will check out the room tomorrow morning. If the room is deemed adequate, we will schedule our March 21 general meeting for that venue. The biggest concern for this venue is the limited parking situation. As an alternative, Marie suggested reaching out to Sarah Boyle at Rhodes College to see if we could have general meetings at their facility. If this facility is also available, we could consider using both locations on alternating months.

There was also a brief discussion about whether to have speakers or training workshops. AJ proposed we alternate. He will discuss with Scott and we will make a decision at February board meeting. For the March general meeting, AJ agreed to either present or find a speaker.

Adjournment

Motion presented by: Marie

Seconded by: Justin

Time: 4:27 pm