



Memphis Area Geographic Information Council

Board Meeting: February 21, 2019

Benjamin Hooks Library

3030 Poplar Ave,

Memphis TN 38111

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, Scott Trapolino, Heidi Slakens, Ben Lundberg

Approval of January 2019 Board Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Scott to approve January minutes. Seconded by Rob. Passed unanimously.

Additions and Deletions to Agenda

No changes. Agenda was presented by Matt.

Treasurer's Report

No treasurer's report was available for this meeting.

New Business

March 2019 General Meeting

Discussion about how to do workshops during general meetings. Last year some problems we had with workshops were that many workshop attendees did not have ArcMap software, and many attendees had lower level of GIS ability than anticipated. Scott proposed an idea suggested by AJ that we pick one or two ESRI online tutorials and work through them as a group for general meeting workshop.

Regarding venue, Tom and AJ went to Christian Brothers University to determine whether the auditorium would meet our needs. Seating and A/V resources are more than sufficient. However question about Internet speed remains. Scott and/or AJ will set up a group to go to CBU next Thursday 2/28/2019 to test internet speed.

Partnering with TNGIC for 2019 Conference and beyond

Further discussion about partnering with TNGIC for Fall 2019 joint conference in Jackson, TN. Scott voiced concern that if we have to split revenues, it would negatively impact MAGIC budget. TNGIC does not charge for attendance for West Tennessee forum in Jackson. Andrew proposed we charge a \$35 “membership fee” for any MAGIC members that attend the conference. Ben pointed out that he attended the West Tennessee Forum in 2018, and it had very low attendance – only about 25 people. Discussion ensued about whether or not this would be a good idea for MAGIC, considering the low attendance issues with forum in Jackson. Matt will make contact with Kevin Bingham to see if TNGIC Board would consider moving the date of their West Tennessee Forum so that we could have a one-day MAGIC conference in November with less competition from TNGIC West Tennessee Forum. Matt will then set up a conference call with the rest of the MAGIC board (probably next week) so we can make a decision, since we’ll need to book a venue soon. Rob will email MAGIC membership to solicit feedback via SurveyMonkey to see how many would consider attending conference in Jackson instead of Memphis.

Adjournment

Motion presented by: Justin

Seconded by: Scott

Time: 4:15 pm