

Topic: Northern California Chapter of URISA Board Meeting
Meeting Date: May 7, 2008

Place: Meeting at Nolte and Conference call of Board members
Time: 1:00 to 3:00 PM

Board Members: Geney Terry, David Hansen, Linda Wright, Maria Clay, Charmaine Yeung, Robert Thomas.

Non Board Members: Jenna Michaelis, Barbara Simpson, Gary Darling, Dan Henderson.
Meeting was called to order by Dave Hansen.

Summary with key items from agenda.

1. Chapter Meeting May 21 at West Sacramento Civic Center.
 - a. The site is confirmed through Anthony Arieas. Anthony identified that the URISA contacts for the upcoming meeting will be Lawrence Law or Miguel Garcia. Both are on the 3rd floor. Both have access to the screen and projector if needed.
 - b. Linda Wright identified that speakers have not actually been confirmed
 - i. Geney Terry on open source topics
 - ii. Autodesk on open source
 - iii. CASIL on their implementation of GForge – Dave Hansen will contact Ray McDowell again about CASIL representation
 - c. Dan Henderson indicated that PBSJ would cover refreshments. Thank you Dan
2. Elections for 2008-2009 board: The slate is ready. At the end of the meeting, it was agreed to run the positions of President and President – Elect together. The individual with the top number of votes would become President. The runner up will be President-Elect. Robert Thomas was at the meeting and after the meeting ended at about 3 PM, a ballot was prepared and sent out to members. Thank you Robert.
3. Treasurer's Report – Lorri Peltz-Lewis was on leave. No report was given. However, we have a set of checks in the mail.
4. CalGIS 2009 – Barbara Simpson reported on current status
 - a. On May 8 at 1 PM there will be a conference call between the California Chapters and URISA.
 - b. Chris Grace, URISA International, will be the conference manager
 - c. Geney Terry reported on the possibility of setting up a Joint Venture for the Conference between the Chapters. This may be a good solution for the Conference, but expectations are that it will take a few months to complete the paper work and have it reviewed by an attorney.
 - d. Web site continuity was discussed between CalGIS 2008 and CalGIS 2009. Based on recent emails, this is still unresolved. The site was handled by Kearny Ag. Center in 2008. Time commitments of the Ag Center staff may not be available for 2009.
 - e. A call for volunteers has been sent out by Carol Ostergren, USGS, to the combined Federal and State email lists. Many of you have probably

- already received this call. I will check on notification through CGIA via George White.
- f. Geney Terry reported that GTC is having their conference on May 13 through 16 at the Sacramento Convention Center. She will be there on Thursday to review the setup and evaluate the 3rd floor for the CalGIS conference.
 - g. Many other topics on CalGIS were discussed and will come up during the May 8 call.
5. Chapter Membership/Sponsor database – Ian McGovern was not at the meeting and the current status is not known. Geney Terry suggested that URISA may have a solution. She will be checking with Wendy Nelson. The Constant Contact email list is still the best list identifying current Chapter members.
 6. URISA 2007-2008 Chapter Maturity Survey – This has a short response date. Board members are reviewing this. Dave will probably send out an initial draft for review.
 7. Other URISA initiatives – Geney Terry did not report any looming issues except that Scott Grams will be taking another job by the end of this month.
 8. Chapter Outreach – Dave did not report on this during the meeting. He will be presenting on GISCI and the Chapter at American River classes on May 8 and May 14.
 9. Chapter position on the Amicus Brief submitted by Bruce Joffe in State Superior Court. This was discussed with a full description by Geney Terry. The Board decided that it would be best for individual members to be informed about the case and the brief. The Board decided that they could not represent the members by joining in support of the brief. Individual members should decide on supporting the brief. Dave will attempt to prepare a letter to the members on the issue by next week.
 10. Request by Titanium Metal Supply to cross link web sites. The Board decided that linkage to other Web sites need to meet the following criteria. The site is directly GIS related and it represents a sponsor of the Chapter. This may be expanded to also include other non-profit GIS sites.
 11. Status of URISA certified workshop for this fall – It was suggested that a survey of URISA certified workshops be sent out prior to the May 21 meeting. They will also be discussed at the May 21 meeting. Selection of a workshop or potential workshops would take place shortly after that meeting.
 12. Establishment of committees – We are recognizing several active committees that contain Chapter members as well as Board members. These are:
 - a. Corresponding secretary – Anthony Arieas
 - i. Duties include responding to information requests from sponsors
 - ii. Developing certificates of appreciation and letters of appreciation to organizations that have provided support either financial or in-kind services to the Chapter.
 - b. Web site update and modification – Geney Terry and Jenna Michaelis
 - c. CalGIS 2009 – Barbara Simpson
 - d. Membership – currently Ian McGovern