



PAMAGIC: Board Meeting Minutes 05.05.2017

Attendees:

Mike Bialousz, Patrick McKinney, Glenn Mohler, Eric Jespersen, Christine Iksic, Tom Denton, Wade Gobrecht, Tom Edinger, Noemi Mendez, David Gilbert

• Agenda Items

- Conference
 - InfoSwap
 - Update on sponsors -
 - Update on printing banner – Eric to bring banner
 - Update on Penn State billing PAMAGIC directly – No update yet. Rob S. to check in next week. Costs for infoswap and banner should be approx. \$3,400. Covered by sponsors.
 - Booth – Panel dimensions (23”x46”) highlight websites. Member map with regional activity groups (WG). Presidents letter (PM). Laptop to show website and connect to elections. Water data initiatives (EJ). Geoboard (DG). Mapping competition on laptop/ipad. Student/member applications.(WG) Have a sign up for Geomentors to assist with next year’s competition.
 - Determine what items to add to booth and who is responsible for printing/bringing to conference
 - Do we need to assign someone to get student workers squared away?
 - Excellence Award
 - Status of plaque – done. Glenn McNichol will give the plaque to Patrick. Patrick will present the award to Nicole. Letter of recognition will be read in honor of Doug Hively. Reading will be videoed for Doug. Toast to GIS professionals that passed away since last GIS conference at the infoswap.
 - Elections
 - Status update – Election link sent out. 16 votes in so far. Computer will be available at booth to vote. Votes will be tallied through survey monkey prior to announcement.
 - HS/MS competition
 - What session will winners be announced? – During Wednesday lunch right before the speaker.
 - How many students need sponsored? Larson Group or Geographic Education Alliance to sponsor students
 - Will PAMAGIC sponsor students?

- **Other Business**

PSLS interested in talking with PaMAGIC about HB 1106. Collaborate with PaMAGIC, PSLs, County GIS Pros and PaMAPPs and approach Geoboard. Starting statement -

When we were in the advocacy phase of the GeoBoard development PaMAGIC, PSLs, PA-MAPPs, the County Pros, and others had very active discussions of the relationship of Survey Practice to GIS and GIS data development. We were somewhat surprised then, that when HB1106 was introduced:

- *the GeoBoard had no foreknowledge of the legislation*
- *there is really no mention of GIS in an updating of the definitions of the Practice of Surveying in the Registration Law*
- *there is no reflection of discussions and clarifications related to GIS/Survey in other states*

PaMAGIC suggests that we initiate discussions among any interested members here about the proposed language of HB 1106 so that we understand the intent and scope of the change as it relates to GIS in PA.

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- **Items for Next Board**

- HB 1106 member feedback/position statement/working on language with PSLs/County Pros
 - *Dave Gilbert is best contact for this project*
- Finances of regional groups
 - Does some portion of membership fee go to that members region?
 - Do regional groups maintain separate finance accounts?
 - Do we set-up corporate sponsorships for events?
 - *Christine has had good ideas about this topic*

Next meeting After Board Retreat