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MSGIC Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, March 8, 2017 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

MD DoIT Offices - 100 Community Place, Crownsville, MD 21032
(4th Floor Conference Room – Rm 4.102)

Parking: Open - Visitors need to sign-in with guard at front desk to obtain a visitor badge

In Attendance:	On the Phone:
Patrick McLoughlin	Jake Lloyd
Erick Pate	Ardy Russakis
Kevin Coyne	Michael Scott
Al Wainger	Alison Banks
Marshall Stevenson	Ashley Samonisky
Matt Sokol	Lynda Warthen
Julia Fischer	
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Open Meeting & Announcements – Patrick McLoughlin

- Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes
 - Motion to Approve - Pat M.
 - Second - Julia
 - Approved
- Open/General Discussion
 - Pat McLoughlin – Need to establish our Strategic Goals for 2017; will serve as a set of guidelines for the coming year and a way to review / measure accomplishments. Call for interest / support.
 - Julia – Offers her support
 - Pat M. – This should also be used to establish a budget; We currently have a good feel for money coming in; We should consider expenses such as Conferences, Interns, Other Meetings, and Training. This would include line items devoted to particular initiatives and discretionary spending to be evaluated on a case by case basis.
 - Ardys - Throws in support
 - Al – We are really talking about 2 Documents:
 - What do we want to be when we grow up (Long Term), which will provide the basis for where we are going internally and allow us to communicate our intentions to Sponsors
 - Annual Business Plan, which will serve to categorize monies and we need to tie the treasury to this document
 - Pat C. – Call for a Working Group for TUGis and / or Budget Planning



- Pat M. – Call for a Working Group for Strategic Plan
 - Ardys – Suggest separate meeting to Focus on this development and pointed out that this will provide framework to help react / be proactive to legislation that affects the community
 - Pat M. – Call for Volunteers; Next Wednesday deadline to respond
 - Julia – Keep it to a few executive committee, then open it up other members; Help bring new members into executive decision and avoid top-down push of directives
- Eric - Website Refresh Update; mentioned Ashley starting to work on update, but running into access issues
 - Alison – Currently stuck between updating and moving to new server, which will need to happen simultaneously. Also trying to work through domain issues. Transcend won the Vote for the new website theme. Ashley will be needed to speak to specific timeline for website refresh.
 - Eric – Ideas for new blog posts; Spotlight people / projects going on in regionals
 - Alison - New blogs will not affect migration
 - Eric - Will email ideas for new blogs to Alison

MSGIC Treasury Report - *Al Wainger*

- AI - Balance – \$29,089.72
- Paid Taxes – Filed to state / federal (\$800 fee)

MSGIC Business

- Interns – *Patrick McLoughlin*
 - Yesterday had announcement for internships; Resumes for prospectives should be emailed to MSGIC account; Looking at May 9-10th for intern interviews; Internship will run one year from June; Terry and Matt Webb are supporting resume review effort
- Legislation Updates
 - AAG Letter
 - Pat M. – Federal Bills regarding denying the use of Geospatial data to analyze housing / economic disparities. Should we support this letter, opposing this effort?
 - Pat M. – Suggests formal vote to support AAG Letter
 - Pat C. – Gives support
 - Formal Vote Called - Pat M.
 - Motion passed
 - HB 1062
 - Pat M. - Bill dealing with organizationally liability within surveying / licensing community; Would make it so that you can't be a licensed surveyor unless you work for a company with a corporate license; Currently push back from surveying community
 - Others - None
- Working Groups
 - NG911/Public Safety Working Group – *Peter Hanna*
 - Pat C. – Meeting at TUGis to bring together PSAP GIS personnel and bring in NCR to talk about boundary line issue (reconciling lines at boundaries). Also, just a great opportunity to bring everyone together
 - Maryland Elevation Working Group



- TUGIS Working Session
 - Matt – Lunchtime session / open discussion; Roger not attending, Erin will be leading and Matt assisting. Matt conducted brief overview of MD program; discussed LiDAR as imagery and other resources
 - Erick – Erick / possibly Caroline to possibly discuss county program during session
- Ashley - Need write up for website
- Pat C. will work with Erin to get that out soon
- Business Entity Data Working Group – *Jake Lloyd*
 - Jake – Working with Doug Adams and Alison Banks; Has put together list of 12 individuals to participate and proposed first meeting around 1st of April. Call for recommendations for meeting location.
 - Pat C. – Can offer at PG County
 - Pat M. – Can offer DOIT conference room
 - Jake - will send out list of individuals that should attend to help guide where the meeting should be located (# of attendees and their
 - Pat M. – to send out slides with mention of the working group and the date / time so that it can be advertised during TUGIS
- Membership Tracking – *Kevin Coyne and Sid Pandey*
 - Pat M. – Having trouble because it has 2 factor authentication from MSGIC email account. Marshal received notification, his phone is on the account... Working on Paypal linkage
- Exhibit Booth Panels – Pat M.
 - Finalized and will be delivered to Pat M., includes 2 floor panels / stands and 1 table-top (with sponsors); The MSGIC Sell Sheet has been updated. There is also a new powerpoint template
 - Al – asked to shrink down bottom orange bar on master slide – takes up a lot of space
- Conferences
 - TUGIS – Pat M.
 - Pat M. – Have dedicated MSGIC room, that will be available between any scheduled sessions (NG 911, Elevation Group, Geospatial Career Panel Discussion); Still have a lot of bottle openers...
 - Pat C. – Asked Charlie to take photos, professional photographer
 - Ardys – Charlie has been in contact
 - Ardys – 2 x Free Registrations Pass codes? For the interns
 - Pat M. / Marshal to send over
 - MACO
 - Booth includes 2 registrations and 2 lunch
 - Marshal - Should MSGIC have a booth?
 - Pat M. - Presentations?
 - Marshal – There are 2 Leslie's, one male and female, that are POCs for presentations. How do we survey / ask counties to identify hot topic issues
 - Erick – Theme is “You’re Hired”
 - Pat M. - How do we interject ourselves into the process, so that we are seen as the “go-to” for GIS at MaCo? Can we sponsor a session(s) or provide moderator(s)? How do we get more involved / help push presentation topics?



- Charlene – Suggests presentations on apps that are in production throughout the state such as the Snow Plowing app.
- Pat M. – Call for Motion to pay for booth / attend
- Second - Al
- Motion Passed
- Call for anyone that wants to attend
- Ashley and Pat C. volunteer
- Conference to be held between August 16-19
- Quarterly Meeting Updates – *Patrick Callahan*
 - Spring Quarterly
 - Pat C. – Confirmed meeting for April 19th (10-3) at Washington County library (Hagerstown); Side note, library changed hours, was 9:30, now is 10, so that is why meeting was pushed later. There will be a presentation by Hillary Melton and Lauren is working on coordinating Lightning Talks. Call for Other Presentations
 - Recommended that James from MSS provide update
 - Summer
 - Pat C. – Call for Student Participation; need to reach out to Universities
- MD DoIT GIO Update
 - Julia - Gone to the Esri Open Data 2.0; launched late last night; No functionality change, front-end updates. Will continue to update in the coming 6-9 months. There is a stakeholders meeting tomorrow
 - Matt / Pat M head up review; Highlight future release of MDiMap 3.0; Looking at structure, marketing, etc. to take advantage of new resources from Esri. Want to keep it collaborative. 1st Tuesday of the Month meeting for further discussion.
 - Julie - NSGIC (National)
 - Julia – Attended recently; There are 2 meetings every year (annual and mid-year); MD is unique that we are enterprised and embedded in IT
 - Julia – Wants to setup Statewide LiDAR collection Program and put in for funding for program. This should be a partnership with Universities, Locals, Regional, etc.
 - NG 911
 - Julia - Funding available through 911.gov – Grant program – 115 million; Specifically for PSAPs, but consultants can get some funding for limited applications
 - Pat C. - Only local? Not State
 - Julia – Not Sure
 - Al – Can numbers board go after the funding?
 - Julia – More research need to be done
 - Al - If you accept numbers board money, you cannot go after 911.gov money, can be done subsequently, but not at the same time
 - Julia – 911.gov funding pays for “butts in seats” for duration of grant
 - Julia - New Legislation – HB 1062; Changes in how taxes go; Seeks to create another group (similar to PSAP) to establish policy / governance at the PSAP level; Emergency Managers have group through MaCo
 - Marshal – GIS representative for Numbers Board?
 - Julia – Informal nod, but not sworn in



- Marshal – any more discussion about move from County-led to Regional-led structure? How are we going to access it?
- Pat C. - Cross-county conflicts / coordinations (PSAP boundary overlaps)
- Mara – Counties begging for guidance above
- Marshal – Coordinate funding distribution
- Al – Frederick County is administering State-wide vehicle (Mission Critical Partners); Still working out how funding will work; MCP – test database against standard and then come back and test
- Julia – MCP picked (not created) standards; Question comes up are these the standards? (need top down directive); County Buy-in not in place
- General Discussion - Not open competition / open talk; Concern that the company from out of State (Northrop Grumman)
- Pat C. – Still need answers on how to upload and pull down data
- Julia – Why was the standard picked?
- Mara – Counties assume that at some point State will come in and declare a standard; In the absence of declared standard from the State, counties are going with what is available. Concern from county is that Bill (SB 466) declares that there will be punitive measures for those that don't comply, so counties must get something implemented, even knowing that the standards may change.
- Julia – New Secretary CIO announced shortly; He knows GIS and could be champion; NEMA standards been in draft for 15 years; **Julia to reach out to Pat C. / Peter to continue coordination**
- Julie - Surveyors Community... Legislation proposed in different states to change sign-off authority, etc. that impact GIS. Virginia is greatest concern due to parallels in surveyor leadership, geographic proximity, and they have recently submitted legislation that could impact MD GIS. Something to keep an eye on
 - Mapping Board keeping an eye on it
 - Michael Scott – Is there any hearings scheduled in Office of Chamber? Should we be worried? Look at Bill for American Heritage Areas; Good bill
 - Julia – James Samuel Coleman Act of 2017 – Puts school boundaries into the hands of Dept of Planning / MD Department of Education
 - Mara – MD House posting 20-30 bills a week
 - Pat M. – Different members of MSGIC / other groups have identified different bills based on separate reviews; A lot to go through.
 - **Julia – Opportunity to post up consolidate list of Bills that could affect on MSGIC website while identifying signs / flags that the bill may not be a serious concern, such as no opposing bills and no scheduled hearings.**
 - **Michael – Communicate information to members so they understand the legislative process**
 - **Julia – Leverage Advocacy Chair**
 - **Pat C. – Include disclaimer that just because a bill is list does not represent an implicit / explicit endorsement or opposition to the bill**
 - **Pat M. – Highlight those bills that are important / may require action**
 - **Ashley – Will add table put together by Pat M. on website**



- Pat M. – to send out the list we have thus far
- General - Last Day of submitting Bills 2017 – prior to April 10th
- Education – *Julia Fischer*
 - Art Lembo's Open Source Training for TUGis; There is Clearly interest in open source GIS / training opportunities.
 - Julia – recommended creating a series to be offered by MSGIC, including courses in Python, Spatial SQL, PostgreSQL, etc. Art suggested around \$200 per course (8 hours) with ~10-15 in classroom; Need to decide how to distribute cost – will Members pay and / or will MSGIC absorb some of the cost?
 - Erick – Members footing more of the cost make them invested in coming to training; Need to find potential locations
 - Julia - Coordinate with URISA for Test Prep Course; URISA – NG911 course cost \$1000; Schedule more LiDAR training
 - Marshal – ArcGIS Pro Course TBD
 - Ardys – Requests for a number of additional courses; Can count on CGIS as a training location
 - Michael – Also Salisbury
 - Julia - Art recommended talking to other Universities as well, including Frostburg, Bowie State, and St Marys
- Marketing/Outreach/Advocacy
 - Ashely – running into issue with migration that she is not owner of domain; Coordinating to get ownership transferred to Dr Scott
 - Pat M. – Sid has submitted Non-Profit Packet for Esri Non-Profit AGOL account; Sid went through Anthony Puzzo, timeline TBD.
 - Erick – Looking at other GIS organization website, not a lot of maps or interactivity
 - Ashley – Shooting for TUGis for migration release, but TBD due to road blocks
- Emerging Professionals – *Sid Pandey*
 - Sid not present, Dawn has no updates
- New Business
 - AI – SHA presence in MSGIC?
 - Marshal – They are coming onboard, but will be incremental, they will start as a sponsor, with maybe 5 members
 - Dawn – Need more contacts
 - Pat M. – TMDL / NPDES Programs impact everyone, would be good for MSGIC to be involved in coordinating discussion / collaboration
 - Kevin – reach out to other State organizations
 - Lynda – reach out to counties that may have dropped off
- Meeting convened at 11:27 am

Conference call info:

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