



# Maryland State Geographic Information Committee

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### Chair

Graham Twibell  
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### Education

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### Federal Government

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### Local Government

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Brad Spittel  
KCI Technologies  
Harrison Bloom  
Straughan Environmental

### Regional

Erica McMaster  
Washington College

### State Government

JB Churchill  
John Lesko  
Maryland Dept of IT

## SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRS

### Data and Resources

David McSpaden, DME  
Luis Carrasco, WSSC

### Education

Anthony Dowell  
AECOM  
Ryan Mello  
ESRGC

### Advocacy

Charlie Wrenn  
Snap, Inc.

## MSGIC Executive Committee Meeting Notes

Wednesday, February 10, 2021 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

### Conference Call-in Only

(Call info at the end of the agenda)

## Executive Committee Attendees

Name	Role	Present
Graham Twibell	Chair	--
Niki Miller	Vice Chair	x
Shawn Pickett	Secretary	x
Jen Chadwick-Moore	Treasurer	x
Logan Hall	Education Caucus Chair	--
Roger Barlow	Federal Government Caucus Chair	--
Katie Maglio	Local Government Caucus Co-Chair	x
Varun Chudiwale	Local Government Caucus Co-Chair	--
Brad Spittel	Private Industry Caucus Co-Chair	--
Harrison Bloom	Private Industry Caucus Co-Chair	--
Erica McMaster	Region Caucus Chair	x
JB Churchill	State Government Caucus Co-Chair	x
John Lesko	State Government Caucus Co-Chair	x
David McSpaden	Data and Resources Chair	x
Anthony Dowell	Education Subcommittee Co-Chair	x
Ryan Mello	Education Subcommittee Co-Chair	x
Charlie Wrenn	Advocacy Subcommittee Chair	x
Sean Lynn	Outreach Subcommittee Chair	x
Total Count		12/18



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## Other Attendees

Name	Organization
Luis Carrasco	WSSC
Charlene Howard	MWCOG
Joe Agenbroad	Dewberry
Al Wainger	Axis Geospatial
Patrick Callahan	Prince George's County
Julia Fischer	MD DoIT

## Notes Legend

Green highlighted text - Approved item

Yellow highlighted text - Low priority action item

Red highlighted text - High priority action item

Gray highlighted text - No updates

## Bolded topics will require a vote.

1. Open Meeting & Announcements – Graham Twibell
  - Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes
    - **January 2021**
    - **Motion to Approve - Sean Lynn**
    - **Seconded - Katy Maglio**
    - **Approved without Objections**
  - New Topics & Open/General Discussion
2. MSGIC Treasury Report – Jen Chadwick-Moore
3. MSGIC Business
  - Quarterly Meeting Updates – Graham Twibell/Niki Miller
    - Review of Winter Quarterly
      - Local presentations seemed to be well received.
      - Three hours is a long time--we need to build in breaks if our meetings are going to run this long
        - Charlie - Agrees with needing more breaks
        - Luis - Presentations had good content, but some of his colleagues had some confusion about which caucus to attend
      - Esri presentation was well received
      - Caucus breakout sessions - these were a mixed bag
    - Planning for Spring Quarterly (April 21st)
      - Need to confirm the date
      - Presenters include:
        - Drone GIS Workflows - Dave McSpaden
        - Vexcel Imaging - Joe Kochendarfer





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- Membership Year & Invoicing Update – Shawn Pickett
    - Extending memberships
      - All Organizations and most individuals have been extended
    - New dues integration
    - Caucus membership lists
  - Bylaw Working Group – John Lesko & Logan Hall
    - Making progress, but there are some significant issues/clarifications that need to be reviewed
    - Group will be presenting next month on proposed changes
  - Intern Support – Sean Lynn & Shawn Pickett
    - Julia Kwedi will be leaving us in March
    - Sean and Erica will present next monthly meeting on the intern process; Have a job description, but need to get it posted
    - Niki - Will we still have issues with paying an intern directly?
    - Sean - We have confirmed that Washington College can do a similar setup as Salisbury University for paying / invoicing for interns.
    - Sean - Julia has been making updates across the website, including updates to the sponsor list/graphics, universities, and creating maps
  - TUGIS 2021 Planning
    - Conference will be held virtually from 8/10 through 8/12 with a training day on 8/13
    - Whova is the platform that will be used this year
    - Ticket price is \$30 per person
    - The request for presentations is open now through 4/26
    - All presentations are 15 minutes long
    - Early bird registration opens in late February
    - There are new sponsorship and exhibition opportunities
    - Training discounts for MSGIC members and gratis training tickets
  - Strategic Goals - Niki
    - Migration to GSuite has helped enabled better communication with members
    - Website updates are helping with outreach
    - Still have a ways to go with social media
    - Would still like to see some brainstorming for virtual networking opportunities both during Quarterlies and in between
  - Tabled Topics; will follow up in time
    - Standard Operating Procedures and Organizational Policies
      - Purchasing, Internal Controls
      - Personally Identifiable Information & Information Technology
      - Good Governance Checklist
      - Code of Ethics
    - MSGIC Scholarship Idea
4. Conferences
- a. URISA 2021 – Baltimore!
    - i. Still supposed to be in-person, TBD
  - b. Esri Fed UC -  
<https://www.esri.com/en-us/about/events/federal-gis-conference/overview>



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- i. Virtual - February 22–24, 2021
    - ii. Free for U.S. Federal Government Employees/Contractors, Emerging Business Partners, NGOs, NPOs, International Organizations, Non-U.S. National Government Employees, and Students
    - iii. \$100 for all other individuals
  - c. MD QGIS User Group
    - i. Virtual - February 17th (12 - 1)
- 5. Caucuses, Subcommittees, and Working Groups
  - Federal Updates – Roger Barlow
    - No Updates
  - Private Caucus – Harrison Bloom & Brad Spittel
    - Were planning on putting out survey to caucus, but based some recent discussions, including the Winter Quarterly, will not be sending it out
  - State Caucus – JB Churchill & John Lesko
    - Potomac River collection data will be posted on iMap soon
  - Regional Caucus – Erica McMaster
    - Want to update regional page; will be pulling in core members of caucus to get content
  - Local Caucus – Katy Maglio & Varun Chudiwale
    - Feedback from Winter Quarterly
    - Looking to get training on ArcPro for managers looking to migrate other users to ArcPro
  - Education Caucus – Logan Hall
    - No Updates
  - Advocacy – Charlie Wrenn
    - State Bill 684 -  
<http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/mgaweb/site/Legislation/Details/HB0684>
      - Redefining the definition of land surveyors and licensing
      - Scheduled for hearing at 1:30 and made it out of committee
      - Does not appear to affect the number of licensed individuals or current contracts
      - Will continue to monitor
  - Data and Resources Subcommittee – David McSpaden & Luis Carrasco
    - Working Groups
      - Maryland UAS Working Group - David McSpaden
        - Few people interested (about 5)
        - Looking to have presentation at quarterly for setting up Drone projects
      - Emergency Management/Public Safety Working Group - Peter Hanna/Shelby Robertson
        - No Updates
      - Maryland Elevation Working Group – Erin Silva & Roger Barlow
        - No Updates
      - Geospatial Career Outreach Working Group – Mike Herzberger





- Anthony - Targeted outreach to universities and colleges; Eliciting feedback on how we can better serve the students coming out of those programs
- Started discussions on brief series of presentations that outline various career paths within the geospatial community
- Education Subcommittee – Ryan Mello & Anthony Dowell
  - Training session with Art Lembo
    - Broken up over 3 sessions (1 x 2 hour session over 3 weeks)
    - Capping attendance at 20, due to concerns over managing larger class
    - After 3 weeks, link will be sent out for non-attendees / members to view class
    - Will be using software called “Canvas”, which charges \$4 fee per each student, which we are proposed MSGIC would pay. The software allows for interaction / assignments during the live training session
      - Jen - How does this work as far as invoicing?
      - Anthony - Canvas can generate an invoice directly
      - Jen - If an individual wants to access the course afterwards, are there additional fees, like the Canvas fee?
      - Anthony - The data/materials that are published after the course completion do not require Canvas to use
    - Also have \$600 honorarium for Art (\$100 per hour, total of 6 hours)
    - Niki - Is there a plan for offering additional (follow-on) training days if more than 20 people are interested?
      - Anthony -
      - Niki - Maybe this can be offered in
    - **Motion to Approve expenditure of \$600 for Art’s honorarium and \$80 fee for Canvas - Niki**
    - **Seconded - Shawn**
    - **Approved without Objections**
  - 2021 training schedule planning
    - Richard Ort - Possibly doing another training related to the new Datum
    - Working on Diversity and Inclusion training, reaching out to 3rd party trainers, but some appear to be all-day and cost-prohibitive; Looking at training that is specific to executive committee, but also the members. Could be rolled into one training session, but could be split out if more practical
    - Reached out to Esri about training opportunities
  - Results of training survey
    - Received 30 responses, technically still open
    - Could reach out for some additional feedback and then close out
  - Honorarium policy







- Reviewed DRAFT policy document:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EEcrI8jSmODb6Rs2bxY0XIYPeTOM6LN5>
- Also reviewed DRAFT agreement:  
<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1ez8jHrrMNqP8ZUJ8zl5TMGvWeuH2A6-f>
- General Discussion / questions regarding whether we are excluding MSGIC members
- Conflict of Interest policy
  - Brief overview of document:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1OqSTB2fxrgJyDEfIPkO1w8w42c0YJsh3>
  - Jen - Should we have a similar document for trainers?
  - Niki - Good point, the policy seems to be directed towards the executive committee
  - Al - We should also include language that states anyone who has been told they need to sign these documents can take them to a lawyer prior to signing.
  - Al - Also, what are the enforcement measures/policy for someone that breaks the Conflict of Interest?
  - Niki - This is something we are looking to address in our ethics policy
- Next steps with Honorarium and Conflict of Interest is for working group to make changes to address what was discuss and propose updates at next month's meeting
- Outreach Subcommittee – Sean Lynn
  - Website Working Group
    - Email signature block:  
<https://msgic.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/MSGIC-Signature-Logo-1-.png>
      - General feedback was positive
      - Charlie - Recommend extending the horizontal line to the end of the word "Committee"
      - Niki - Would be nice to include specifications for the text-based portion of the signature block
      - Sean and Shawn will work with Julia to get the minor corrections made and generate the remaining signature images for each member
    - Bi-weekly meetings
      - Maps/apps development
      - Social media
      - Website (back-end and front-end)
    - Job posting site

6. Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 10th, 2020 10 am - 12 pm (Conference Call only)

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