

Potomac Region of the American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing

Meeting Minutes

Date: March 11, 2009

Location: Baltimore Marriott Waterfront (ASPRS Annual Conference hotel)

Time: 4:30 pm

Participants:

Dave Szymanski

Barbara Eckstein

Chris Parrish

Allan Falconer

John Manzer

Chris McGlone

Jennifer Maloney

Topics:

- Extra “ASPRS Bucks” – will give to student members
- Will send letter of intent for ASPRS PR to host 2013 conference
- Barbara would like to see 2-3 Region Events, led by Region Directors. Of the Region Directors, only John Manzer is in attendance. Greg from MDA would be glad to host something at MDA, so this would be a good region event to do. Chris McGlone will contact Greg to discuss.
- John proposes a tour of GeoEye as the Region Event. Board agrees that this is a good idea. Will shoot for summer time frame. Ground station is in Dulles.
- Charlene will prepare write-up on this Conference. Send her material.
- Jennifer proposes outreach to schools (e.g., student from Cornell did outreach to 4H). Northern VA Geographic Alliance is another group. Active person in Spotsylvania County: Penny Anderson. One possibility is to have students visit GeoTech. Propose something hands on. Many area high schools now have geosciences classes, so we could reach out to these schools. Have people go to schools. Chuck Nelson’s firm in Spotsylvania may be able to do something.
- Membership Committee Update: Dave held a booth at his firm’s Professional Development Day. Pay professional membership in society. 10 people promised to join. For education, Dave and Allan will get in touch with Peggy and get a meeting . Also will get in touch with VA Tech. Talk about benefits of ASPRS membership at GMU. Dave

will lead student recruiting. ASPRS National has a PowerPoint presentation. Northern VA Community College.

- GeoTech: Chris P. provided brief updated. Target timeframe is late September – early November, but most likely in the month of October. Currently selecting a date, so Board members are requested to send dates of any potential conflicts.
 - John Manzer will be Exhibitor Coordinator for GeoTech. Will shoot for same number of exhibitors as last year.
 - It was recommended and universally agreed that GeoTech proceedings should be published. Will attempt CD-ROM and/or web distribution of GeoTech papers.
 - Number of speakers who didn't show last year was an issue. Had about 3 no-shows, including first speaker. Recommend contacting speakers via phone the week and the day before the event.
 - Will ask Tony Stefanidis to lead Technical Sessions for GeoTech.
- Dave: we have to change the bylaws if we want to vote electronically. Reception came way under budget. Has receipts from various Baltimore Conf activities that we are responsible for; Chris P. will pay from ASPRS-PR SunTrust account.
- Can add additional Board members. Good way to get additional people working on things and find replacements for current members. Will continue to discuss.
- Adjourned at 5:15pm.