Potomac Region, American Society for Photogrammetry & Remote Sensing
The Imaging and Geospatial Information Society

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING: February 22nd, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 6.00 p.m. with the President-elect John Manzer in the chair.

Present: John Manzer (President-elect), Chris Parrish (President), Peter Doucette (Past-President), Robbie Black (Director), Yogen Singh (Historian), Chris McGlone (Technical Director), Josh Siskind (Director and Membership Chairman), Ashley Holt - NGA, David Struetker - NGA Innovision, Karen Schuckman (Faculty Liaison-PSU Student Chapter/Forum), Marla Yates (WVU Student Chapter President), Tim Warner - WVU, Jim Campbell - Va Tech, Katrina Doctor (President, Student Chapter and Forum, GMU)

John noted that he did not yet invite the North Carolina chapter to join us and will take an action to invite the North Carolina representatives.

Yogen gave a warm welcome to the University participants and thanked them for the support they give to their Chapters and Forums. Yogen called for them to refine the guidelines with suggestions for improvement to the by-Laws of the structure they operate under, so that they can be even more successful.

He also reported that Fred Doyle is in hospital.

Executive Actions: The Region's end of year reports are actively being compiled:
1) Financial Report - Allan / John   2) Annual Report - Chris

Election Considerations: How long to run the election, 3-weeks? 1-2 weeks? 2-weeks was agreed.

Annual Dinner As per by-Laws we must have the dinner +6 weeks from the end of the Election, total 8 weeks from the start of the election. We must announce it 30 days prior, so Wednesday April 18 becomes the tentative date. Holiday Inn Dulles-Expo is the Annual Dinner venue (it is located near Hooters of Rt. 28)

ASPRS National Student Advisory Council (SAC) annual Conference will be held at GMU June 10-16 as per **http://www.asprs.org/Conferences/SAC-2012/**. The GMU Student Chapter and Forum are inviting sponsorships and Josh suggested that the Region sponsors the breaks. Karen will encourage her students to attend and participate. Chris noted that we were not quite ready to vote and that he will talk to Kim Tilly to get HQ input , Josh to email her. Josh is in favor of supporting this event to help membership recruitment. Because Tony Stefanidis is the faculty liaison for the Chapter/Forun the meeting felt that his opinion would be valuable. John has the action to obtain Tony's opinion and distribute to everyone. Yogen noted that no formal request for sponsorship has yet been received.

ASPRS (National) will likely have this as a topic in Sacramento on March 26. A request has been submitted for $200/$250 for each of 45 participants ~$10,000 revenue Travel & housing expense? Will a promotion of ASPRS membership be made to the Students as a QuidProQuo. Need to know the specialty presentations that are going to be made, as the detail is missing from the conference site (**http://www.asprs.org/Conferences/Program-Details/**)

Annual report, Next Friday March 2, 2012 deadline. Chris has been coordinating this report that consists of 3-forms and supporting documents. Chris coordinated the Region Rebate Request Feb 15 2011 and sent an email blast to all lapsed members. As a follow-up (required by HQ) Quality Services designed and mailed a post-card to all lapsed members. The responses are summarized in a spreadsheet. Annual Region Report : Chris has the Financial Report Form that is being worked by John and Allan

 USGS Tech Tour proposed at our last meeting looks positive and we are optimistic that it may happen, we need to finalize a date. Yogen will continue to liaise with USGS.

Student Chapters and Forums: Karen Schuckman has not cashed the ASPRS-PR checks sent in support of student activities. She asked how to spend the money? Get text books at a discount is the PSU typical motivator. Her program is online so she has students that are out of our region so when they join ASPRS national does not know that the driver for them to join was the Potomac Region's initiative. John will assist with the HQ database check for local membership.

The meeting adjourned at?