

Minutes: ASPRS Potomac Region Board Meeting, 19 January 2015

Board Members Present:

- Dr. Ashley Holt (President)
- Susan Oakley (Vice President)
- Joshua Sisskind (Region Director)
- Joseph Governski (Region Director)
- Paul Bresnahan (Secretary/Treasurer)

Board Members Absent:

- Dr. Allan Falconer (Immediate Past President)
- Dr. Barbara Eckstein (National Director)
- Dr. David Streutker (Region Director)
- Yogendra Singh (Historian)

- 1) **Opening:** The meeting was opened by the **President** at 6:11 pm with a quorum. The meeting was held via teleconference. The **Board of Directors** adopted the proposed agenda.
- 2) **Secretary/Treasurer Report:** The 15 December 2014 meeting minutes were approved 5 to 0 after a motion for approval by Dr. Ashley Holt which was seconded by Josh Sisskind. The **Secretary/Treasurer** reviewed the Region's account balances and transactions since the previous meeting and discussed the progress of the financial report.
- 3) **Region Elections/ Annual Dinner:** The **Board** decided to open the on-line voting for the open positions of Secretary/Treasurer and Region Director for the 2015 Board. Two nominees were identified for the Region Director position and one for the Secretary/Treasurer position. An email blast from ASPRS HQ and an email to Region members will be used to advertise the open positions. Bios of candidates will be posted on the web site with online voting. The goal is to have the Annual Dinner six weeks after the winners are notified, preferably the first week of March. The **Board** discussed the location, and the goal is to have the dinner in the Fairfax or Reston area. The **Board** will continue to identify a keynote speaker.
- 4) **Tech Tours/Region Directors Report:** The Mapbox tech tour is being planned for the April timeframe. The **Board** discussed other potential venues in the future.
- 5) **Vice President Report/GeoTech 2015:** The **Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer**, and Dr. David Szymanski have been having separate GeoTech 2015 planning meetings. A preferred venue has been identified. The goal is to have the workshop in the 2nd or 3rd week of September. Mr. John Manzer will be assisting Dr. Szymanski with identifying the workshop theme and building the technical program.
- 6) **Winter Newsletter:** The **President** reported on the effort to release a winter newsletter in early February. Topics planned include a **National Director** report, a NOVA student article, and upcoming tech tour information.

7) **Membership:** Instead of sending renewal reminder postcards, an email blast approach will be used, including a survey if the lapsed members do not continue membership.

8) **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 pm.

Next meeting: 6 pm, 16 February 2015.