Minutes: ASPRS Potomac Region Board Meeting, 15 May 2017

Board Members Present:

- Chris McGlone (President)
- Gang Chen (Vice President)
- Jackie Carr (Secretary/Treasurer)
- Paul Bresnahan (Immediate Past President)
- David Alvarez (Region Director)

Board Members Absent:

- Mukul Sonwalkar (Region Officers Council Representative)
- Evan Brown (Region Director)
- Michael Paquette (Region Director)
- Yogendra Singh (Historian)

1. **Opening**: The meeting was held via teleconference and was opened by President Chris McGlone at 6:03 pm; a quorum was present. Minutes from the previous meeting were provided for review. Motion by Chen to accept the April Board meeting minutes, seconded by Alvarez. Minutes were approved.

2. **President Report (McGlone)**:
   - Membership: ASPRS national office database has been fixed and notices were sent out to all whose memberships are expiring by July. Chris has received a membership spreadsheet which he will post on Google docs. ASPRS national wants to concentrate on membership renewal and recruitment.

3. **Vice President Report (Chen)**:
   - NC Chapter Status: Email received from Hope Morgan and they are making progress towards identifying the necessary number of members to support a chapter. She plans to set up two meetings – one online and one in person most likely in July (dates to be determined). Chen will be available to attend July meeting and provide representation from the board.

4. **Secretary-treasurer Report (Carr)**:
   - Accounts Total $ 60,590.93
     - Checking $8,039.45
     - Money Market $27,259.58
     - CD $25,291.90
   - No April expenditures
5. **Region Directors Report (Alvarez):**
   - **New student chapter status:** No report available
   - **Existing Chapter Status**
     - No report available as Paquette and Brown were investigating status
     - McGLone will contact Paquette and Brown for update
     - Manuals for distribution to student chapters are available at headquarters.
       McGlone will pick up and hold to distribute
   - **Potential Tech Tours:**
     - McGLone reported that Paquette talked to Digital Globe but no details are available at this time
     - Alvarez is engaging for Library of Congress Rare Maps tour and looking to fall time frame
   - **Regional Officers Council Representative Report:** No report available.

6. **Membership:**
   - National membership database: Discussed under president’s report
   - Member renewal and recruitment: Discussed under president’s report
   - Generating more activity in MD: Some organization meetings and conferences offer opportunities to address Maryland GIS professionals. More detail provided under Other Relevant Business.

7. **Other Relevant Business:**
   - Discussion of potential avenues to increase Maryland interest/membership (Alvarez):
     - Maryland State Geographic Information Committee (MSGIC)
       - State professional organization representing government, academia, regional organization and industry.
       - Meet each quarter. Session include a business meeting and typically a special speaker. They are open to presentations on photogrammetry and remote sensing. Recommend focus on state of the art and applications relevant to GIS professionals and consumers
       - Partners with TUGis
     - TUGis – Maryland Geospatial Conference
       - Interested in ASPRS PR participation and flexible on type of participation to include a booth, block of sessions, paper competition, workshop, etc.
       - Alvarez will write up a list of participation options to send to group for discussion
       - There could be opportunities to piggy back to reinvigorate GeoTech

8. **Meeting was adjourned at 6:19 pm. Motion by Bresnahan to adjourn meeting, seconded by Chen; motion passed.**