

Minutes: ASPRS Potomac Region Board Meeting, 19 September, 2017

Board Members Present:

- Chris McGlone (President)
- Gang Chen (Vice President)
- David Alvarez (Region Director)
- Evan Brown (Region Director)
- Michael Paquette (Region Director)
- Yogendra Singh (Historian)

Board Members Absent:

- Jackie Carr (Secretary/Treasurer)
- Mukul Sonwalkar (Region Officers Council Representative)
- Paul Bresnahan (Immediate Past President)

1. **Opening:** The meeting was held via teleconference and was opened by President Chris McGlone, at 6:00 pm; a quorum was present. The minutes from the previous meeting was unanimously approved.

2. President Report (McGlone):

- Executed loan agreement and sent a \$25,000 check to National to cover potential cash flow problems.
- Web hosting/maintenance cost reduction agreed to with Martin Wills starts Oct 1.
- Elections! We will need a nominee for Secretary-Treasurer. Alvarez has kindly agreed to run again for Region Director. Ballots must be distributed six weeks before the annual meeting, which should be in January, meaning that nominees should be identified by the first of November.
- Job fair. Jackie had the good idea of holding a conference/job fair to raise some money and to get some exposure for our student chapters. This would be sort-of a replacement for Geotech. We need to contact some recruiters, to see if that would be of interest and if they would pay, and also contact students to see if they would participate. Thoughts, ideas, contacts are welcome. The tentative timeline for doing the job fair is early Spring, 2018. It can be held at a national/regional conference.
- ROC (Region Officers Council) meeting was scheduled for 29th.
- Newsletter is forthcoming.

3. Vice President Report (Chen):

- NC Chapter Status – No updates at this time. Chen will contact Hope Morgan again.

4. Secretary-treasurer Report (Carr):

- Accounts Total \$ 34851.84
 - Checking \$7,587.66
 - Money Market \$27,264.18
 - CD \$0; CLOSED
- August expenditures
 - Loan to ASPRS National - \$25,000.00
- No planned September expenses.

5. Region Directors Report (Alvarez, Paquette, Brown):

- Student chapters (Brown):
 - The Appalachian State University and James Madison University student chapters are activity looking for networking events and other PR activities for their members to gain exposure within the professional community.
 - PR is planning to send them some books.
 - The UNC Charlotte student chapter recently lost their president, who moved to another university. Chen will try to recruit a new president and more student members.
- Potential tech tours (Paquette):
 - Goddard
 - The tour is scheduled on October 27th, 12:30pm-3:30pm.
 - We can have up to 25 people. Several students from George Mason University expressed a high interest.
 - The tour information will be sent out soon.
 - McGlone will set up a registration page.
- PR presence at TUGIS – Maryland's Geospatial Conference (Alvarez):
 - Alvarez communicated with the conference Chair, who promised to offer a free exhibit booth.
 - Two ways for promoting PR.
 - Organizing a Student Paper Competition. Both undergraduate and graduate students are eligible. PR will try to get sponsors to provide cash awards for the competition winners.
 - Organizing special sessions to promote specific topics.

6. Regional Officers Council Representative Report (Sonwalkar): n/a

7. Meeting was adjourned at 6:42 pm.