



Meeting: ASPRS – RMR Board Meeting Minutes

Date and Time: February 14, 2006 12:30 PM

Meeting called to order 12:32 PM

Venue: SANZ Conference Room

9800 Mt. Pyramid Court, Suite 130
Englewood, CO 80112

Present: Jeff Young, Victoria Provenza

Present by WebEx: Terry Ryan, Mark Hess, Richard Cooke, Sheila Pelczarski, Jaymes Pardue, Allen Cook

Apologies for absence: David Opitz, Jen Whitacre, Roland Mangold

Members/Guests in attendance: None

Note: Action Items in Aqua

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1. Welcome and Agenda Acceptance:

Jeff

Jeff welcomed members present in person and by WebEx.

****Motion to Accept Agenda as presented****

APPROVED: Unanimous – Richard motion/Terry 2nd

2. Review and Approve 01/13/2005 Meeting Minutes:

Jeff

***Motion to Approve 01/13/2005 Minutes

APPROVED: Unanimous – Mark motion/Terry 2nd

3. Treasury Report:

2005 EOY Checking Account Balance: \$ 14,831.40

2005 EOY CD Account Balance: \$ 15,740.15

Checking Account Balance 02/14/2006 \$ 10,981.40

The 2005 Financial Report has been sent to National.

The 2006 budget is completed. The RMR will run an approximate \$6,000.00 deficit this year.

Sheila suggested that the ASPRS-RMR cover the hotel expenses for out of town award recipients attending the Annual Meeting Dinner. Jeff suggested that we include the offer to cover hotel expenses for out of town award recipients next year.

The internet service provider (ISP) for the region website has been transferred from Row 14 to the National ASPRS site hosted at the University of Missouri, reducing our monthly ISP cost to zero. Row 14 will be paid through February. Jeff recommended sending a thank you note to Row 14 for several years of good service. Sheila will draft a thank you note for Jeff.

4. Early 2007 Board Discussion:

Jeff suggested that the Board begin thinking about open board positions in 2007. Jeff will present the open Board positions in the March meeting.

5. National Directors Report:

Brian Soliday represented ASPRS-RMR at the high school in Ft. Collins selected by Senator Allard as part of his award. Brian reported to Jeff that he was impressed with Molly Ford, the representative from Senator Allard's office. Allen will send an e-mail to National about the event. Victoria will draft a thank you note for Jeff to send to Senator Allard and his representative, Molly Ford

Allen reported that the January ASPRS-EXCOM discussion centered on investment policy and licensure. National changed accounting firms. Jeff suggested that the Board members read the policy statement ASPRS issued

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and Jeff
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with respect to the USGS mapping centers.

6. Newsletter Status/Issues:

Jeff suggested integrating newsletter submission deadlines into ASPRS-RMR calendar. Newsletter task deadline presented to members is March 1, 2006. Terry will prompt student chapters to submit articles for newsletters

7. GIS in the Rockies:

Trent is meeting with Tom Pallizi (tpalizzi@azteca.com) from City Works. Jeff navigated to the new website via WebEx. ASPRS-RMR is committed to the continuing success of this event. Jennifer Stefanacci will serve as the ASPRS Track Chair this year.

8. Membership Outreach:

The RMR was designated as Region of the Month in January for obtaining 7 new members of which 2 were students. Possible new student chapters are in the planning at UC Denver and Colorado School of Mines. The recent scholarship recipient from UC Boulder, Adina, may also be influential in establishing a student chapter in Boulder. Victoria will send Danny Portillo's contact information at the Air Force Academy to Terry to solicit interest in establishing a student chapter. Sheila will forward UC Boulder contact information to Terry. Terry will serve as interface to all student chapters in the region. Mark will represent ASPRS in presentation to Metro State students.

Jeff recommended that we begin documenting the Region's history. Victoria suggested adding the position of Historian to the Board.

Jeff introduced an Existing Member Campaign which involves an outbound calling campaign to thank active members and further engage them. The list will be divided among Board members and Kyle Legg has also volunteered to assist. The concept is to thank members for being a member. Jeff discussed the new membership plan including retention techniques. Terry highlighted a 20% growth in membership and two new student chapters as a measure of success for 2006. Jeff added that additional members would help offset budget deficit. Jeff also suggested adding another social event to attract new members.

SANZ has volunteered to host 20 participants in our monthly WebEx meetings. A WebEx invitation will be extended to the membership in March with a note to contact Jeff to RSVP and for access instructions. Participation will be limited to the first 20 members to RSVP. Jeff suggested adding a Regional Corporate Scholarship. Mark will research guidelines on acknowledging contributors and

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(for Jen)

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contact National to determine if Regions may solicit and award their own corporate sponsored scholarships.

9. New Chapter Guidelines:

Sheila requested that Jeff ask National to provide an official list of registered chapters. Jeff will request that National provide accurate data on chapters and membership contact information. Jeff will contact National to supply information on chapters and student chapters.

10. Annual Scholarships:

Terry will send the notice of scholarship opportunities to universities earlier in an attempt to increase the number of applicants. Terry will engage other organizations for funding of scholarships once the okay is received from Mark and Allen. Jeff recommended reviewing and strengthening the application guidelines and criteria. Mark mentioned that the scholarship monies may be collected through the National Foundation's 501(c) (3) designation which may aid in the effort to solicit for funds. Allen was concerned that National would not allow Regions to collect funds because it may be perceived to deplete the National resources.

11. Website Update:

Sheila backed up all of the website files and sent them via FTP to the University of Missouri, our new ISP. The National ASPRS website is also hosted there. During the transition, if anyone notices problems with the website, please send a notice to Sheila.

Sheila requested help with updating the website. Jeff suggested that we ask Kyle Legg to assist. Terry will contact Kyle and inquire if he is interested in helping Sheila.

Mark would like to see the website statistics and have newsletter schedule added to the site.

12. Date of Next Meeting: March 10, 2006 12:30 PM

13. Closing Statements:

Jeff reviewed meeting format. Jaymes will submit the Annual Report to National on 02/15/2006. He suggested adding "Metrics for Annual Reporting" as an agenda item for March meeting.

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Jeff and
Terry

Sheila

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Jeff

Mark is in possession of the Region's historical financial records. Jaymes has the remaining materials and Sheila knows most of the history. Add discussion of new position of "Historian" to meeting agenda for March.

Time meeting finished: 1:52 PM

Signed and dated as a true record by Victoria Provenza, ASPRS RMR Secretary

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