

**GIS Council Meeting Minutes – Fall 2006 Meeting 1**  
**September 21, 2006**  
**10:00 am – 404 Old Main**

**Present:** Frank Derby, Stephen Matthews, Stephen Woods, Eugene Lengerich, Shawn Hough, Wayne Myers, and Tina Enderlein

**Not Present:** Rick Day, Doug Miller, Brady Stroh, Michael Behney, Wang-Chien Lee, and Mark Gahegan

**Guests Present:** Tim Enderlein

**A. GIS Council Issues**

1. Motion to approve the April 20, 2006 GIS Council meeting minutes – meeting minutes approved as written.
2. Election of New GIS Council Chair – Unanimous nomination for Wayne Myers as the new GIS Council chair. Suggestion made for Tina Enderlein to circulate an email to Council members not present at the meeting to get their input for nominations. Once receive input, cast a vote for the new chair via email. Stephen Matthews suggest contacting Brady Stroh if Mike Behney no longer wants to take on the co-chair position.
3. FY 2005-06 Annual Report – Doug Miller and Tina Enderlein prepared a Draft FY 2005-06 Annual Report for the GIS Council to be submitted to Nan Crouter and Bill Easterling. Tina Enderlein will email Council members requesting their comments on the report for a vote at the Nov 7 Council meeting. Stephen Matthews stated that SSRI is looking for what the Council can do on research promotion of GIS.
4. GIS Budget Report – Tina Enderlein went over the budget report posted to ANGEL. Stephen Matthews stated that he checked with SSRI regarding their contribution to the GIS Council is as follows FY 2006-07 \$33,000, FY 2007-08 \$36,500, and FY 2008-09 \$40,000. Tina Enderlein will check with Mary McCarthy regarding PSIE's contribution and update the budget report for the Nov 7 Council meeting.
5. GIS Training Initiative – George Baumer is working with Tina Enderlein in delivering the workshops. Wayne Myers discussed George Baumer's experience and background relevant to the workshops. Currently the workshops are limited to those with a PSU ID – briefly discussed the possibility of offering the workshops to interested parties outside of the University. Frank Derby is going to look at Continuing Education development from a workshop perspective and report back to the Council at the Nov 7 meeting. Stephen Matthews requested copies of the workbooks and data CD developed by Tina Enderlein and George Baumer that are being used for the GI Training Service for fall 2006. Tina Enderlein will post the workbooks to ANGEL and send through interoffice mail copies of the data CD for those that make a request.
6. UCGIS Delegation – In an effort to streamline the administration and payment of the University's UCGIS membership a request was received by David DiBiase to make him the 1<sup>st</sup> delegate and Donna Peuquet as a 2<sup>nd</sup> delegate. A unanimous vote was cast to make David DiBiase the 1<sup>st</sup> Delegate and Donna Peuquet the 2<sup>nd</sup> delegate. Tina Enderlein will email David and Donna to inform them of the change.
7. Rick Day / Stewart Bruce – Request for input for reformatting of the 2007 GIS for Local Gov't Conference – Rick Day is not present to discuss his ideas at the meeting. This item was tabled until the Nov 7 Council meeting. Tina Enderlein will contact Rick Day regarding his interest in keeping this item on the agenda for the Nov 7 meeting.

8. Status Geospatial 2006: Power of E<sup>3</sup> – Education, Employment, and Economic Development – advancing partnerships in geospatial technologies between government, industry, and academia – Update on GT Governance Model Review Meeting Date – Tabled at this time – OIR would like to see an interested faculty member drive the event and take the lead with support from OIR.
9. Update TeleAtlas Agreement – Due to cost factors, the Council did not renew the TeleAtlas data agreement due June 2006. Rick Day decided to renew Dynamap Transportation one of the TeleAtlas products for a \$5,000 annual fee. The contract with TeleAtlas is through Rick Day – if interested in purchasing a seat of Dynamap Transportation contact Rick Day directly.

## **B. Research Opportunities**

1. Update from Timothy Enderlein on the Level II funding seed funding project for Landscape Visualization of the Voyages of John Smith and the Chesapeake of the early 17<sup>th</sup> Century for the NPS. Tim provided an update on the status of the project award, discussed the website developed for use of the project, and provided handouts on the images generated for the project.
2. Audrey Huerta, EMA, Level II funding proposal request for the development of a GIS-based system to characterize the role of glacial erosion in mountainous topography – approved for funding in November 2005 by the GIS Council. Due to Council funding constraints in FY 2005-06 the funding has not been transferred to Audrey Huerta for her project. Stephen Matthews recommended getting an update from Audrey on where her project stands.
3. Funding Agencies / New Funding Opportunities – Tina is looking for a grant(s) to apply for the training initiative and to help obtain funding for the Council

## **C. Public Relations**

1. GIS Website transition – Website is now hosted through PSIE and Tina Enderlein is now doing the daily updating for the website.
2. GIS Day 2006- Nov 15, 2006 – Tina Enderlein discussed the GIS Day activities at UP – these include a full day of GIS learning activities for Mt. Nittany Middle School students.

## **D. Other Business**

1. Closing Comments – Items for Nov 7 Council meeting agenda – Promotion of research within the Council's current budget status – how to work out the research and education components desired by the parties involved in funding. Suggestions include developing Focus Groups to discuss what researchers are doing. Suggestion made to update the survey that was done in 2001 by Stephen Matthews.
2. The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

*Submitted by:*  
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