

# Cartography and Geographic Information Society

Meeting of the Board of Directors

October 12, 2002

Columbus, Ohio

## Attendees:

Lynn Usery, President  
Bob Cromley, Vice-President  
Keith Clarke, Immediate Past President  
Dave Alexander, Director  
Scott Loomer, Director  
Paul Young, Secretary-Treasurer  
Tim Trainor, ACSM Director

## Call to Order and Roll Call

President Lynn Usery called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

## Additions to Agenda

No additions to the agenda

## Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

**Motion:** Bob made the following motion; Scott seconded:

*Approve the minutes of the previous meeting as written.*

Discussion: there was no discussion. Motion unanimously approved.

## Review of Action Items from Previous Meetings

00.1 – not done yet

00.2 – not done yet

00.3 – overcome by other events, closed

01.3 – done, closed

01.13 - closed

02.01 – not sure. Aileen not here

02.02 – Keith sent Aileen the website, keep open, change to just Aileen.

02.03 – Leica provided \$1,000, Tim contacted Oracle – will continue, no knowledge of the others, keep open.

02.04 -- close, Ilse is now doing the Career Guide

02.05 -- close

02.06 – some discussion, keep open

02.07 – done, Lynn Usery will be the next editor

02.08 -- closed

02.09 – Paul put on web site, Keith was contacted by URISA for further information on code of ethics, closed

02.10 – closed, we will go through the ACSM By-Laws during that portion of the meeting.

## Career Guide

Keith took Career Guide and pens to ESRI Users Conference. Tim took pens. All went very fast.

Funding: Leica provided \$1,000. Census has approved contributing, but federal budgets have not been approved yet for this fiscal year. Keith contacted the USGS. Scott doesn't think there is much possibility for NIMA to contribute right now; he will continue to work on it. Keith will see if UCSB can contribute. Private map companies, Rand McNally, MapQuest, etc, are another source. IMTA is another possibility; Tim has the contact there. Lynn will write a letter.

**Action:** Paul will send names and addresses of companies to Lynn.

New information needed: salaries need to be corrected and Universities. Lynn sent updated salary information to Ilse (it is also on the Georgia website). GISJobs.com might have salary information as well; Lynn will check.

**Action:** Lynn will follow-up with Ilse on updated salary data.

For universities we need to come up with a policy on criteria to list schools and then point to a web site where all of them are listed. AAG and ESRI (Higher Education) both have lists on their web sites. Criteria will be by geography and program with stipulation that this is a sample list and we'll direct readers to the AAG and ESRI lists.

After discussion, the following are listed:

Geography/Cartography/GIS Programs: University of South Carolina, University of Georgia, Penn State University, Ohio State University, University of Washington, University of California – Santa Barbara, University of Minnesota.

Certificate Programs: Refer to the ESRI Higher Education website for complete list.

**Action:** Paul will search URISA site to see if they have a university list.

There are 3 versions: web, PDF, and printed version. All 3 need to be updated at once.

Ilse is waiting for further information. We will ask Ilse to mark up the changes and send to all of us to review. There is a mark-up feature in Adobe Acrobat Writer that she can use. Anyone with Acrobat Reader can see the changes, but cannot make any changes.

Target date: The AAG meeting is March; that would be a good place to give it out. NIMA, USGS, and Census will all have a booth, perhaps they can hand out the career guide.

Because of the cost, we will not include a printed version in the Bulletin – perhaps a short article saying it has been updated with the URL.

**Action:** Paul to communicate to Ilse: When we print the Career Guide – we will NOT place it into the ACSM Bulletin!

This is one of our most popular efforts; we need to pursue.

### Map Competition

The announcement is out! We need to contact more cartography instructors. NACIS (Charlie Fry) mentioned that they had a big increase in number after being listed on a web site.

**Action:** Tim will contact Charlie Fry to see what the web site is.

**Action:** Each board member to contact at least 10 people locally to encourage them to submit an entry.

### CaGIS Journal Report

Terry submitted a written report. All agreed that the journal is in excellent shape!

Special Issues have been big sellers in the past; we need to make sure and print extra copies to sell. We should have printed extra copies on the History of Cartography – it would have sold very well. The 2003 special issue is the ICA special report. Someone has contacted us on doing a special issue on web cartography; we could do it in early 2004. Lynn will follow-up as the new editor. Keith will be special editor of the 2005 special issue and will come up with the topic.

Terry Slocum, Bob McMaster, and Bob Cromley (all current or previous editors) were asked to serve as an Ad Hoc Search Committee. They asked for volunteers/nominations. The committee selected Lynn Usery.

**Motion:** Keith made the motion; David seconded.

*Appoint Lynn Usery as editor of the CaGIS Journal for a 3-year term beginning in 2003.*

There was no discussion. Motion unanimously approved

We are still pursuing getting the CaGIS Journal back into the science citation index.

Terry submitted the application to International Cartographic Association (ICA) for the CaGIS Journal to be the official journal of the ICA. We have not heard yet from ICA. This should help us with the science citation index, too. This might also increase subscriptions and increase the number of international paper submissions. We might need to come up with a way to handle the subscriptions. The Editorial Board might also need to include international members.

**Motion:** Keith made the motion; Bob seconded.

*The CaGIS Board approves the CaGIS Journal becoming the Journal of the ICA, should ICA approve our application.*

There was no further discussion. Motion unanimously approved.

#### Digital Publishing

Lynn asked the ACSM Board to add the CaGIS Journal cost to the ACSM budget for 2003. The Board referred it to the Budget and Finance Committee. CaGIS will pay for this if the new ACSM structure. Currently the CaGIS Journal is paying for itself via library subscriptions; we may lose subscriptions. If approved, it will begin in January.

**Action:** Paul to verify that the Budget and Finance Committee discuss this and place into the ACSM 2003 Budget.

Keith has the Table of Contents in PDF form for the CaGIS and the American Cartographer journals back to 1974. A student is converting it to a database. This will be added to the CaGIS website.

#### Secretary-Treasurers Report

Paul handed out the year-to-date income/expense report. The ICA travel funds have yet to be spent. Career Guide expense and income was added; Career Guide giveaways were removed.

No financial information about the New ACSM is available so far. Both Paul and Lynn requested financial data prior to this Board meeting, but were told it would not be ready until next week.

ACSM referred to the Budget and Finance Committee the issue of ACSM meeting our \$5,000 to ICA travel.

**Action:** Paul to make sure that this gets discussed at the Budget and Finance meeting.

**Action:** Paul to send Judy message re ICA travel.

**Action:** Paul to contact Ilse re CaGIS Journal conversions once ACSM approves the contract.

Lynn will check with Terry to see which year to begin.

**Action:** Paul will check to see if there is a list of past scholarships.

**Action:** Paul to verify that Leica's \$1,000 contribution to the Career Guide gets credited to the CaGIS budget.

**Motion:** Keith made the motion; Dave seconded.

*Approve the 2003 CaGIS budget as amended.*

There was no further discussion. Motion unanimously approved.

### Status and Discussion of New ACSM

Where do we go from here? There was a lot of discussion on if the New ACSM is in the best interest of CaGIS. Tim and Lynn read letters from a member who had strong opinions against the New ACSM. Lynn received an e-mail that supports it. The question was asked what started this. The New ACSM has been proposed because ACSM membership is going down and income is dropping. ACSM in its current form might not exist in 5 years. Will 4 smaller organizations be able to increase memberships while the larger ACSM cannot? We have concern that there is a lack of planning to date. No financial information has been submitted so far.

Some specific things we want:

- Will UCGIS stay with CaGIS? The proposal is for it to be with CaGIS/GLIS. GLIS has not been participating in UCGIS. We suggest CaGIS should be responsible for UCGIS.
- We want to pay for ACSM services based on a per-member basis, not a member organization basis.
- We want affiliation to be renewable yearly; no long term commitments.

**Motion:** Keith made the motion; Scott seconded.

*While having endorsed the concept of the New ACSM, the CaGIS Board now has serious reservations about what the future holds for ACSM after the formal adoption of the idea. We therefore endorse the need for a referendum of an adequately informed membership having heard statements/arguments both "pro" and "con". We also strongly recommend that the ACSM Board adopt scenario-based strategic planning for a future both with and without its current MO's.*

There was no further discussion. Motion unanimously approved.

### Phoenix Conference

We need to get more abstracts!

### Next Board meeting

Will take place in Phoenix.

### Adjournment

**Motion:** Keith made the motion; Dave seconded:

*Adjourn the meeting.*

Discussion: there was no discussion. Motion unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 PM