



PAMAGIC: Meeting Minutes 9-30-10

Attendees: Glenn Mohler, Glenn McNichol, Dave Gilbert, Eric Jespersen, Laura Simonetti, Mike Bialousz, Matt Gilara, Ayad Yasser, Nicole Ernst, Steve Ellis, Tom Mueller, Kristin Woellmer, Con Sweeney, Kathryn Reed

PA GIS Conference 2011:

The outcome of today's call is to determine the core group who will take on the project. A face to face planning meeting needs to occur.

a. Organizational commitments and roles

CCAP: Has resources available for admin of the conference (education department). Kristin has served as a coordinator for conferences before. Has discussed with Brady the history of the conference and need for vendor support. CCAP can also assist with the Program Role participant as well.

PAMAPPS: Would like to assist as funding support up front. As an organization, not as able to assist with the admin side. Con will reach out to members after this call and once more is known.

PAMAGIC: Supports CCAP as admin role. We function as a member user group organization so we can assist with the Program planning, InfoSWAP and other tasks.

HACC: Has the venue available and can assist with the program planning

NW PA GIS: Looking to assist as needed. Program Planning.

PASHE: Assist with Program Planning.

DCNR (plus other state agencies): Assist with program planning. Mike will coordinate the state agencies. Stacey would also be interested in program planning.

PAMAP: Not present on call but most likely interested in remote sensing workshop to continue, plus other workshops. (PA View has \$1,500 for workshop)

Past year's conference committee: Frank DeSendi was not able to participate a lot last year. Ashish Pal, Mike Shillenn, Ken Jeungling. Has participated in the Program side in the past.

CountyPROS: Interested in helping with Program side.

b. Timetable

- Planning for conference starts now.
- Face to Face meeting within the next couple weeks. **October 6th, At 1pm - HACC can provide internet access for webex. Nicole can send out**

an invitation to the planning meeting. Dave Gilbert will set up the webex...send email to dgilbert@gfnet.com if you are interested in getting the invitation.

b. Schedule Planning Meeting

Face to Face meeting can be held at HACC. Needs to occur ASAP.

Format of the conference may change for many reasons: number of days may be altered. But the change can lose some participants. Overnight hotel availability is another consideration. Several options should be considered before a site is selected.

Possible future breakdown of tasks could include:

1. CCAP: (information exchange – Admin side) Needs to be a single POC
 - Registration
 - Abstract collection
 - Lunch registration
2. PAMAGIC / PAMAPPS: (Program Planning)
 - Theme – content – program enlistment, speakers, panels

Potentially use HACC as a venue. Cost is the factor to consider.

NW PA GIS Conference Town Hall Meeting:

- Panel discussion with PaMAP, GISPros, PAMAPPS, and Stacey White
- 10/14 (panel) and 10/15

Matt: Tioga County Commissioner Erick Coolidge will provide the Keynote address at lunch. The Panel Discussion time will be discussed on Monday.

PAMAGIC: Dave and Kathryn can attend the Panel Discussion. Theme may be what do we need to do if the GIS Council is or is not formed.

HB 2300 Update:

What we came to call our "Harrisburg Adventure" went well. Cherie, Laura, Nick, and I met with John Basail, one of Senator Folmer's staff. Jamie from Lebanon Co. and Mark from Mifflin/Juniata Co. were also along, to provide moral support. Cherie did a nice job nice job describing how the Geospatial Council will benefit our community and industry, and the impacts it will have on the state. Nick provided additional information and we all took turns handling John's questions.

John was somewhat aware of the legislation, but at a real basic level and there was no indication that he was involved in any previous contact from the house side. He had to main areas of interest, 1) why can't the private sector handle this and 2) what will it cost the state. We explained the Strategic Plan and the conclusion that a Council was necessary for advancing our industry in the Commonwealth. We explained that this Council would have no significant cost to the state budget, just the administrative costs that. Laura mentioned that the

benefits (ROI) of Parcel data to the Marcellus Shale industry, and that seemed to really connect with him.

It was a positive, educational meeting, but he made very few commitments other than saying that they would be watching for the legislation over the next 2 days.
Glenn Mohler

PA Geospatial Town Meeting (October 28):

October 28th, 2010, 10 AM – 3PM
DCNR Bureau of Topographic and Geologic Survey
3240 Schoolhouse Road, Middletown, PA 17057

This will be a working session where you will help map the future of Geospatial technologies in PA. (Dave can set up the WebEX and maintain the notes for those online.)

Topics:

- Agree on recommendations for Geospatial Coordinating Council (Glenn McNichol)
- Gather information for PA State of GIS report (Glenn Mohler, Mike B) (number of students that have been taking GIS courses as an example) (PAMAP has many layers of county status that Chris can contribute)
- Develop content of transition paper for new Governor (Eric to lead)
- Determine ways to continue collaboration across the state

Glenn Mohler will get estimates for food costs for 50-75 people estimate.

PaMAGIC to HACC GIS Day Event

- Promotional Table – Can PAMAGIC attend? Mike can attend and have booth. The info for the Booth will be the material coming out of the town meeting. SWAG to be determined next meeting.
- 11/17

October Magic Matters: Kathryn needs content ASAP. CountyPROs from Laura, Glenn Mohler for current status of HB and upcoming meetings. Tom will send the NHD report summary.

Web site: Administrative transition from Kristin to Laura has not yet occurred.

Annual GIS Report

- a. Scope of report
- b. Release date

Topics:

- Information from CCAP event in Sept – what are Counties doing with data and how are they distributing it.

- Status of GIS in each County.
- Regional initiatives in GIS (i.e. homeland security groups) – tap regional orgs regarding data sharing/standards
- PAMAP status
- Develop methodology for Return-On-Investment? Reach out to Counties who may have some methods in place to calculate ROI (check with Chester County)

PAMAPPS (Chris Markel can supply maps and data on status of data per county.

Next Meeting Oct 14th