



PAMAGIC Meeting Minutes: 3-18-10

Attendees: Dave Gilbert, Eric Jespersen, Kathryn Reed, Laura Simonetti, Glenn McNichol, Melissia Hinton, Glenn Mohler

- **Payment for John Palatiello**
 - Seems that final payment has not been made.
 - Melissia followed up on this, she will check again to confirm.
 - Dave also called Kay, left a message.
- **Board Nominations**
 - Current Nominations – contacted and accepted
 - Dave Gilbert – bio submitted
 - Melissia Hinton
 - Paul DeBarry
 - Eric Randall
 - Mike Bialousz – PA Fish and Boat Commission GIS Coordinator.
 - Pierce Eichelberger
 - Potential Nominations
 - Brady Stroh – Glenn Mc will contact regarding interest.
 - Newsletter – Include notice to request additional nominations, closing date.
 - Eric will collect nominations.
 - Bios and vision statement needed for April newsletter –
 - To Eric by March 31
 - Through original contacts
 - Confirm dues are paid
- **Legislation**
 - Email was sent to endorsers and participants of 1/14 meeting.
 - Reply by email from Arnold Kogan.
 - He put on PA Bar Assoc., Real Estate board of governors, for review and potential support.
 - Not a fast process.
 - Target individuals due to short response timeframe.
 - Most individuals will have to represent self, use home address.
 - Endorsers and other organizations can respond after bill is introduced.
 - Sample support letter.
 - Update sample letter with bill name from Rep. Fairchild memo.
 - Send out on list serve as special edition.
 - Include link to map to find contacts for legislators.
 - <http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/home/find.cfm>
 - URISA CAC Central Appalachian Chapter is supporting bill, (Tri-state region including SW PA).
 - We will need to talk to Garth regarding next steps after bill is submitted.
- **Provisional Council (the band formerly known as Shadow Council)**
 - Discussion about setting up a Provisional Council.
 - Pros
 - No harm in holding meeting.
 - Not mandatory or in competition w/ legislative action.
 - Forum to start discussions on council issues.
 - It could take a year or more till a Council is established by legislation.
 - Cons

- Could be confused with legislative process.
- Steps to form Provisional Council.
 - Send invitation to organizations listed in current legislation.
 - Request that Brady waive fees for Provisional Council attendees – Glenn Mc will check.
 - Get RSVP on PAGIS attendance, to monitor numbers.
- **Website Update**
- Laura contacted CCAP about how update should be done.
 - CCAP would like to work on transition, we will need to rely on them.
 - We can provide any content updates to them.
 - We can make changes ourselves, after transition.
 - Laura will work directly with Kristin.
- Recommendations
 - Remove old minutes
 - Update sponsors
 - Get main things over, look at things that need to be removed.
- Online Board Voting
 - Could be a problem if in middle of transition when online voting is needed.
 - Use 3rd party service like SurveyMonkey – provide name to confirm membership.
- **PAGIS Conference**
 - 2 timeslots
 - 1st session – Focus on update on legislation
 - Facilitate session w/ Fairchild or Shipman – Eric or Mike Shillenn contact.
 - 2nd session – Provisional Council meeting – should not be secretive.
 - Award Excellence in GIS
 - Glenn Mc, writing text and sending for review.
 - Dedication to expanding GIS in PA.
 - Brady Stroh
 - Info swap - Laura will follow up with Eric.
- **Next Meeting**
 - Thurs. April 1st, 11:00 AM