

Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council

Meeting of August 18, 2011

1. Call to Order

Chair Ian Beer (LMA) called the meeting to order at 1:34 P.M., a quorum was present. The meeting was held in the State Library in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

2. Roll Call

A sign in sheet confirmed attendance.

Member Agencies/Organizations Present:

Culture Recreation and Tourism

Cheraki Williams, **Designee**

Department of Agriculture and Forestry

Gus Rowland, **Designee**

Department of Education

Steve Gunning, **Member**

Department of Health and Hospitals

Clay Trachtman, **Member**

Department of Justice

Ryan Seidemann, **Member**

Department of Natural Resources

Dallas Shearer, **Member**

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

Brad Mooney, **Member**

Division of Administration

Marty Beasley, **Member**

Louisiana Association of Planning & Development Districts

Scott Leger, **Designee**

Louisiana Chapter National Emergency Numbering Association

Jerry Gould, **Designee**

Louisiana Police Jury Association

Jack Gardner, **Designee**

Louisiana Economic Development

Chris Fallin, **Member**

Louisiana Municipal Association

Ian Beer, **Member**

Louisiana Senate

David Gisclair, **Designee**

U.S Department of Homeland Security (FEMA)

Kerri Bancke, **Designee**

Others Present:

Baton Rouge Parish Police Jury

Matt Rhodes

Capitol Region Planning Commission

Huey Dugas
Kensie Worsham

City of New Orleans

Greg Hymel

Department of Justice

William Hawkins

GIS Professionals

Dustin Landry
Renee Landry
Thach Vo
Fran Williams

Louisiana Geographic Information Center (LAGIC)

Craig Johnson

Navigation Electronics Inc.

Bernard Lemoine

Pictometry Inc.

Gary Mirabeau

South Central Planning & Development

Scott Leger, **Designee**

St. James Parish Government

Bobby Lear

3. Approval of July 2011 Minutes

The July 2011 Minutes were accepted on a motion by Ryan Seidemann (Justice) and seconded by David Gisclair (Senate).

4. Chair's Report: Chair Beer thanked all the members for attending and welcomed the new FEMA Designee, Kerri Bancke and the new GIS Manager for the City of New Orleans, Greg Hymel.

**5. LAGIC Report:
Training**

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Outreach:

- LAGIC organized a ½ day "What's New in Arc GIS 10" workshop in Bossier City on July 27th.

- LAGIC gave a presentation to the URISA/NENA Addressing Conference on elements of an Address Management Plan.
- LAGIC is assisting with the development of a Cajun Atlas with listings of French Place Names throughout South Louisiana.

Broadband:

- LAGIC will be conducting a series of four broadband grant workshops in Oak Grove, Crowley, Winnsboro and Greensburg, Louisiana.
- LAGIC will provide logistical support for a Broadband Symposium in Alexandria

6. Presentation: “Survey of Louisiana Communication Districts Readiness for Next Generation 911” by Craig Johnson, Director of LAGIC

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7. Old Business

Proposed changes to the LGISC Bylaws – Ryan Seidemann (Justice)

Ryan Seidemann noted that there are basically two choices for the Council to consider regarding the method of electing Council Chairs; leave things the way they are or change them. If you would like to see a change there are only a couple options. One idea that was discussed but quickly discarded was the idea of rotating chairs every month. It was considered unworkable and would result in a lack of continuity. There was some discussion about the length of the commitment required. Should a Chair be Vice Chair first, then Chair and then past Chair; which would require a full three year commitment? Ryan Seidemann asked Chair Beer if he would expand the charge of the Membership Committee to include the Executive Committee.

8. New Business

Ryan Seidemann, with the Department of Justice, noted that starting today William Hawkins will be his Designee. He introduced Mr. Hawkins to the GIS Council.

Dallas Shearer (DNR) noted that Jason Guidry will be his Designee on the GIS Council.

Cheraki Williams noted that FEMA will be advertising for two core positions; one in New Orleans and one in Baton Rouge.

Craig Johnson (LAGIC) noted that the National URISA Conference "GIS Pro" will be in Indianapolis, Indiana in from November 1st to the 4th .

There were a couple of GIS Council Members presenting at the URISA/NENA Conference in New Orleans, including Lynn Dupont and Kathrine Cargo.

10. Next Meeting – Thursday, September 15th at the State Library 1st Floor Seminar Room at 1:30pm.

11. Adjourn - The meeting adjourned on a motion by Marty Beasley (DOA) and seconded by Jack Gardner (LPJA).

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Summary of Action Items

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Old Business – Bylaw revisions

Proposed changes to the LGISC Bylaws

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