

# Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council

Meeting of April 19, 2018

## 1. Call to Order

Chair Warren Kron (LMA) called the meeting to order at 1:37 PM. A quorum was present. The meeting was held at the in the Iowa Room of the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

## 2. Roll Call

A sign in sheet confirmed attendance.

### Member Agencies/Organizations Present:

#### Department of Education

Steve Gunning, **Member**

#### Department of Environmental Quality

John Sheehan, **Member**

#### Department of Health

Clay Trachtman, **Member**

#### Department of Justice

Christine Halling, **Designee**

#### Department of Natural Resources

Alvin McDonald, **Member**

#### Department of Transportation and Development

Darryl Mack, **Member**

#### Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

Brad Mooney, **Member**

#### Louisiana Association of Planning and Development Districts

Lynn Dupont, **Member**

#### Louisiana Municipal Association

Warren Kron, **Member**

#### Louisiana NENA

Kathrine Cargo, **Member**

#### Louisiana Senate

David Gisclair, **Designee**

#### Police Jury Association of Louisiana

Collin Degueurce, **Member**

#### U.S. Geological Survey

Chris Cretini, **Member**

### Others Present:

#### City of New Orleans

Greg Hymel

#### Department of Environmental Quality

Aimee Preau

#### Department of Health

Allen McDonald

#### Department of Transportation and Development

Jason Carr, **Designee**

#### Louisiana Association of Planning and Development Districts

Josh Manning, **Designee**

## **South Central Planning and Development Commission**

Jack Gardner

### **3. Approval of Minutes**

The March 15, 2018, minutes were approved by the Council by unanimous vote, with Collin Degueurce (PJA) making the motion to approve and Kathrine Cargo (LANENA) seconding the motion.

### **4. Chair's Report:**

Chair Warren Kron (LMA) reported that meeting speakers have been identified for the next few months. Mr. Kron (LMA) also reported that Craig Johnson has sent him the NSGIC "Geo-Enabled Elections project State Representative Baseline Survey." This survey has been forwarded to Sherri Hadskey, the Commissioner of Elections at the Louisiana Secretary of State. Mr. Kron (LMA) reported on the upcoming RS/GIS and LEPA conferences, at which he, Mr. Degueurce (PJA) and Mr. Gisclair (Senate) will give presentations about the Council. He also reported that the first annual Louisiana Digital Government Summit went well. Finally, Mr. Kron announced that LSU will be offering continuing education classes in the fall on ArcGIS topics.

### **5. Presentation:**

Balaji Ramachandran, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Applied Sciences, Nicholls State University presented "Geospatial Research at Nicholls Geomatics Program."

### **6. Old Business:**

Collin Degueurce (PJA) provided an update on the Digital Data Committee meeting. During this discussion, there was a motion by Mr. Degueurce (PJA), seconded by David Gisclair (Senate), to approve the March Digital Data Committee meeting minutes. This motion passed unanimously.

Chris Cretini (USGS) reminded those present about the upcoming Hurricane Season Data Mining Workshop scheduled in Lafayette on June 7, 2018, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

David Gisclair (Senate) provided an update on the GRPs. Mr. Gisclair reported that much of the discussion related to this matter right now regards how the GRP/GRS update will work.

### **7. New Business:**

Lynn Dupont (PDD) announced a free CPTP workshop scheduled for May 15-16, 2018, in Baton Rouge. She also announced the American Planning Association conference in New Orleans from April 21-24, 2018, and a LAURISA workshop on May 18, 2018. Brad Mooney (DWF) announced that the Department of Agriculture and Forestry is bringing back its GIS program and that Gus Rowland will be the point of contact for that agency.

Warren Kron (LMA) announced that the last day for abstracts for the RS/GIS workshop is April 20, 2018. Amy Preau provided information on the workshop.

**8. Next Meeting** – 1:30 PM on Thursday, May 17, 2018, in the Iowa Room at the Claiborne Building in downtown Baton Rouge.

**9. Adjourn** – David Gisclair (Senate) moved for adjournment and was seconded by John Sheehan (DEQ). The motion passed unanimously and the meeting ended at 2:57 P.M.