

Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council

Meeting of December 19, 2019

1. Call to Order

Chair Collin DeGueurce called the meeting to order at 1:44 PM. A quorum was not present at the beginning of the meeting. A quorum was achieved at 2:03 PM, allowing for the conduct of business. The meeting was held in the Capitol Park Event Center in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

2. Roll Call

A sign-in sheet confirmed attendance.

Member Agencies/Organizations Present:

Department of Agriculture & Forestry (DAF)

Gus Rowland, Member

Department of Culture, Recreation & Tourism (CRT)

Rachel Watson, Member

Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

John Sheehan, Member

Department of Health (LDH)

Clay Trachtman, Member

Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

Alvin McDonald, Member

Louisiana Association of Planning and Development Districts (LPDD)

Lynn Dupont, Member

Louisiana Municipal Association (LMA)

Warren Kron, Member

Louisiana National Emergency Number Association (LANENA)

Kathrine Cargo, Member

Louisiana Police Jury Association (PJA)

Collin DeGueurce, Member

Louisiana Secretary of State (SOS)

Fran Harvey, Member

Louisiana Senate (Senate)

David Gisclair, Designee

U.S. Geological Survey (USGS)

Chris Cretini, Member

Others Present:

Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

Michael Hankel

Iberia Parish

Amy Brassieur

Louisiana Geological Survey

Hampton Peele

Ouachita Parish

James R. Green, Jr.

West Baton Rouge Parish Council

Anthony Summers

3. Approval of Minutes

The November minutes were approved with edits following the obtaining of a quorum. David Gisclair (Senate) moved for the approval of the minutes with a second by Kathrine Cargo (LANENA) and unanimous approval. The November Digital Data Committee minutes were approved without edits on a motion by Rachel Watson (CRT), a second by David Gisclair (Senate), and unanimous approval.

4. Chair's Report:

Chair Collin DeGueurce (PJA) reminded the members that nominations and elections for officers will occur at the January meeting.

5. Presentation:

None.

7. Old Business:

Prior to obtaining a quorum, general, informational discussions were had. Vice Chair Kathrine Cargo (LANENA) introduced Anthony Summers and discussed an ESINET project on which the two of them are working. Warren Kron (LMA) provided a report on the activities of the Digital Data Committee. The DDC is working on the data designation document for the Louisiana Roadways Schema. The document is the methodology and metadata for that schema. Mr. Kron (LMA) reported that the schema would be uploaded as a wiki on the LGISC Web site. Chris Cretini (USGS) reported that the NSGIC Geospatial Maturity Survey results were released and that Louisiana received a grade of "C." Lynn Dupont (LPDD) reported the need for updated QL1 LiDAR data in her region. Ms. Dupont (LPDD) also mentioned that she will be sending an updated draft of the Authoritative Data Statement to the listserv. Following the obtaining of a quorum, additional old business was reported. Ms. Cargo (LANENA) reported that LA URISA is not going to operate RS/GIS and that the non-profit is back under independent operation with reduced inputs and a focus on students.

8. New Business:

Vice Chair Kathrine Cargo (LANENA) reminded members to renew their LA URISA dues. Lynn Dupont (LPDD) reminded attendees of the URISA GISpro meeting in Baltimore at the end of September and that there is an outstanding call for presentations for this conference.

9. Next Meeting – 1:30 PM on Thursday, January 16, 2020, in the Iowa room of the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

10. Adjourn – David Gisclair (Senate) moved to adjourn. This motion was seconded by Kathrine Cargo (LANENA) and was unanimously approved. The meeting ended at 2:30 PM.