

Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council

Meeting of August 19, 2021

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Rachel Watson called the meeting to order at 1:32 PM. A quorum was not present.

2. Roll Call

A sign-in sheet confirmed attendance.

Member Agencies/Organizations Present:

Department of Culture, Recreation & Tourism (CRT)

Rachel Watson, Member

Department of Justice (DOJ)

Ryan Seidemann, Member

Department of Transportation & Development (DOTD)

Darryl Mack, Member

Department of Wildlife & Fisheries (DWF)

Brad Mooney, Member

Division of Administration (DOA)

Chris Pennington, Member

Louisiana Association of Planning and Development Districts (PDD)

Lynn Dupont, Member

Louisiana Military Department (LMD)

Grant Kleiner, Member

Louisiana Municipal Association (LMA)

Warren Kron, Member

Louisiana Police Jury Association (PJA)

Chelsey Salpietra, Member

Louisiana Senate (Senate)

David Gisclair, Member

United States Geological Survey (USGS)

Chris Cretini, Member

Others Present:

Department of Transportation & Development (DOTD)

Joshua Chatelain

Brett Weidman

Dewberry, Inc.

Casey Johnston

Iberia Parish

Amy Brassieur

Louisiana Assessors Association

Glenn Waguespack

Louisiana Association of Planning and Development Districts (PDD)

Josh Manning, Designee

Louisiana Municipal Association (LMA)

Phillip Breaux, Designee

Louisiana Secretary of State (SOS)

Kevin Paul

Ouachita 911
James Green

3. Approval of Minutes

Due to a lack of quorum, no minutes could be approved. Necessary edits were noted for the roll call on the regular meeting minutes from July, though. At this time, Warren Kron (LMA) and Ryan Seidemann (DOJ) discussed the requirements for a quorum of the LGISC and agreed that, with the appointment of a member from the Military Department, the number for a quorum is now 13 rather than the previous 12.

4. Chair's Report:

Vice Chair Rachel Watson (CRT) welcomed Grant Kleiner (LMD) as the Military Department member and reported that James Nunez would be the incoming designee for the Military Department. Dr. Watson (CRT) also reported that Michelle Jackson (FEMA) has officially received her reappointment to the Council.

5. Presentation:

None.

6. Old Business:

Warren Kron (LMA) reported on Digital Data Committee ("DDC") updates. Mr. Kron (LMA) discussed updates to the Council web site to incorporate DDC activities. He also noted that an LSDI link has been added to the Council web site as well as a link to the LGISC wiki site. Mr. Kron (LMA) also discussed the DDC's efforts with regard to tax parcel data, noting that Darryl Mack (DOTD) has reached out to various assessors and is collecting some data from them. Mr. Mack (DOTD) has begun a schema for parcel data and that was reviewed at today's DDC meeting.

Phillip Breaux (LMA) raised the issue of the new LGISC logo. He has created draft logos for review—one in greyscale and two in color. David Gisclair (Senate) suggested that the logo needs to be faxable. Vice Chair Watson (CRT) suggested that there could be two logos—one greyscale and one color and she suggested resharing the logos to the listserv and putting the issue of approving them on the agenda for the September meeting.

Lynn Dupont (PDD) reported that a recent URISA event was well attended.

Vice Chair Watson (CRT) discussed the logistics of future meetings at the State Library and noted that the LGISC has been offered the use of the larger theater in the library for social distancing purposes. Warren Kron (LMA) and David Gisclair (Senate) participated in this discussion.

7. New Business:

Vice Chair Watson (CRT) provided an update on the URISA GIS Pro annual conference in Baltimore.

David Gisclair (Senate) reported on a call he recently received from Hampton Peele in which he was informed that LOSCO intends to divest itself of the 1998 DOQQs and LiDAR data. LOSCO is apparently discussing LSU's acquisition of these data. Mr. Gisclair (Senate) suggested that DOTD may want to consider acquiring these data. Lynn Dupont

(PDD) suggested that LOSCO needs to consider its obligations to retain data from projects like this that were federally funded, indicating that she has considerable data that she has to maintain in perpetuity. Ryan Seidemann (DOJ) agreed to review the applicable law and to contact LOSCO counsel about these obligations. Chris Cretini (USGS) noted that the existing online data from this project is different from what is contained in the originals held by LOSCO, so there is utility in keeping the originals.

Lynn Dupont (PDD) reported that some census data are now available. She shared a link to these data in the chat.

8. Next Meeting – 1:30 PM on Thursday, September 16, 2021 either by Zoom or in person at the State Library (to be determined).

9. Adjourn – Because there was no quorum, there was no adjournment. The informal meeting ended at 2:16 PM.