

GIS Council Meeting Minutes – Fall 2005 Meeting 2
November 10, 2005
1:00 pm – 404 Old Main

Present: Frank Derby, Wang-Chien Lee, Michael Behney, Stephen Woods, Eugene Lengerich, and Tina Enderlein

Not Present: Rick Day, Frank Derby, Doug Miller, Brady Stroh, Stephen Matthews, Wayne Myers, Shawn Hough, and Mark Gahegan

Guests Present: none

A. GIS Council Issues

1. Motion to approve the September 16, 2005 GIS Council meeting minutes – meeting minutes approved as written.
2. Additional funding from Colleges / Units represented on the Council – Wang-Chien Lee spoke with his unit leader regarding providing funding to the Council – the response Wang-Chien received was that his unit leader would like some higher channel to talk to him about the issue. Gene Lengerich received a response similar to Wang-Chien and that his unit leaders would like to find out more on where the Council is heading. Stephen Woods reported that the University Libraries is not interested in providing financial support to the Council, but he sees their role as supporting the Council by providing free meeting rooms at the Library and data services. Frank Derby was not at the Sept 16 meeting when the request to talk to Unit leaders was discussed and reported that he will speak to his leader and give feedback at the January 2006 meeting. Mike suggested that Council's executive committee (Mike, Doug, and Tina) get together to come up with an alternative strategy for discussion at a different level.
3. GIS Training Initiative – NSF ITEST Pre-proposal Grant submission. Tina Enderlein and Brady Stroh submitted a pre-proposal for the Comprehensive Projects for Students and Teachers component of the NSF ITEST program on Nov 2. The full proposal is due on February 24, 2006 – we should receive notification in December if we are invited to submit the full proposal. Once we receive word either way, Tina Enderlein will send an e-mail informing the Council of NSF's decision. If we are chosen to submit the full proposal Council members will be solicited to contribute if desired. Frank Derby indicated that he is interested in assisting with the development of the full proposal if we are invited to submit. The pre-proposal submitted is available on ANGEL.
4. Status Geospatial 2006: Power of E³ – Education, Employment, and Economic Development – advancing partnerships in geospatial technologies between government, industry, and academia – The planning committee is currently working on developing a mailing list for invitees to the event, a date saver postcard to be mailed in Dec/Jan, invitation of guest speakers, and identifying funding sources to sponsor the event. Tina Enderlein will be soliciting names and address of internal and external people to invite to the event from Council members via e-mail. Mike Behney suggested applying to Jack Gido's Workforce and Economic Development Seed Funding Initiative as an internal source to fund the Geospatial 2006 event – Mike will e-mail the guidelines for the initiative to Tina.
5. Update TeleAtlas Agreement – TeleAtlas representatives gave a presentation on their product on September 21 in the Mann Assembly Room of the Paterno Library. At the presentation, a request was made to include Dynamap Transportation as a fourth product in the contract PSU has with

TeleAtlas. Tina Enderlein and Brady Stroh have been working with TeleAtlas representatives to include this as the fourth product. Stephen Woods suggested the University Library handle this contract upon renewal in June 2006 – Stephen spoke briefly with the TANA representatives at the presentation and is planning on following up with TANA to explore a more efficient way to distribute the data through the University Libraries.

B. Research Opportunities

1. Audrey Huerta, EMS, Level II funding revised proposal request approved – Audrey Huerta’s proposal was approved via an e-mail vote – due to Council budget constraints, the proposal’s approval is contingent upon the Council received additional funding support from the Colleges / Units represented on the Council.

C. Public Relations

1. GIS Day / Geography Awareness Week – November 15, 2005 – Capital rotunda, Harrisburg, PA

D. Other Business

1. The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Submitted by:
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