

GIS Council Meeting Minutes – Fall 2007 Meeting 2
November 7, 2007
1:30 pm – 404 Old Main

Present: Stephen Matthews, Marcy Allen, Stephen Woods, Wang-Chien Lee, Brady Stroh, Eugene Lengerich, Doug Archibald, Eric Kirby, Donna Peuquet, Doug Miller, and Tina Enderlein

Not Present: Rick Day, Frank Derby, Michael Behney, Wayne Myers, Shawn Hough, and Mark Gahegan

A. GIS Council Issues

1. Motion to approve the Sept 18, 2007 GIS Council meeting minutes. Motion approved. Meeting minutes approved as written.
2. GIS Training Initiative – Tina Enderlein reported on the fall 2007 workshops. The fall 2007 GI Training summary report is posted to ANGEL. The workshops will be offered in spring 2008.
3. GIS Research Initiative – discussed the October research committee meeting including the ideas of creating a body of knowledge for PSU GIS as well as the concept of developing a GIS consulting service through the Council. Eric Kirby, Donna Peuquet, Marcy Allen expressed interest in attending the next research committee meeting.

B. Research Opportunities

1. Creation of a GIS Consulting Service – discussed the development of a consulting service center. Doug Miller stated that he sees the council's role as facilitating and managing the service to provide GIS consulting services to different groups utilizing the existing pool of GIS talent at Penn State. A similar model exists in the Statistical Consulting Center – however this model utilizes student talent. Donna Peuquet stated that upper level courses she teaches search out problem projects for students to tackle to give them consulting experience.
2. Next meeting for Collaborative Research Initiative – next meeting will be before the January 29 Council meeting.

C. Public Relations

1. GIS Day, Nov 19, 2007. PSU will host 5th grade students from Mifflin County in the Walker Building computer lab 208.

D. Other Business

1. Other Business – none
2. Closing Comments –The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m. Next Council meeting is January 29 at 1:30pm in 404 Old Main.

Submitted by:
Tina Enderlein