

MAGIP Education Committee Meeting

October 29, 2012

Members attending: Gerry Daumiller (chair), Chris Bardash, Meghan Burns, Stephanie Anderson

The committee reviewed the work plan and budget Gerry proposed submitting to the MAGIP board. They approved requesting two \$1,000 curriculum grants for K-12 schools and one \$2,000 scholarship for a higher education student. The committee had earlier discussed the possibility of two \$2,500 grants and two \$2,500 scholarships. When Gerry brought this to the board, they felt that the current amount of the curriculum grant, \$1,000 was very sufficient for the type of projects likely to be proposed, and agreed to increase the amount of a single scholarship to \$2,000.

Chris suggested that an item be added to the work plan to create a page on the MAGIP web site for links to education resources and encouraging educators to apply for assistance for their activities. Chris said that he would take responsibility for providing the content to Gerry for him to add to the site. Chris and Stephanie proposed that requests for assistance should not be restricted to teachers, but could include any group that is doing a geographic education activity with a K-12 age group or with college students. An example would be a geocaching exercise associated with a YMCA program or geography club.

The committee talked about the geospatial trunks at the Montana Natural History Center. There are K-12 curriculum trunks and a GPS trunk. The 6-12 curriculum trunk that Gerry has needs to be updated, and could potentially be replaced entirely with on-line materials. Chris said that he would coordinate his work on the resources page with the group that is considering working on the trunks, Melissa Thompson of adventurecycling.org and Heather Almquist of the Montana Geographic Alliance.

The committee agreed that a \$1,000 dollar budget item should be requested to support the assistance program and/or the geospatial trunks.

The committee agreed to consider having a better effort to encourage GIS day activities next year.

The work plan and budget to be submitted to the board are attached on the following pages

Education Committee Work Plan

Mission Statement: The Education Committee serves to promote the exchange of Geographic Information Technology to K-12, colleges and universities and the public through grants, scholarships, training and mentoring.

Gerry Daumiller, Chair

Education Subcommittees and their respective chairs:

- Scholarship subcommittee – seasonal
- Grant subcommittee – seasonal

2012 Goals & Objectives

Goal 1: Higher Education Scholarship – December 2012 to April 2013 Objectives:

1. Distribute scholarship announcement – December 2012
2. Appoint scholarship review subcommittee – January 2013
3. Receive and review scholarship applications – March 2013
4. Announce scholarship recipient – April 2013

Goal 2: K-12 Educational Grant – December 2012 to April 2013 Objectives:

1. Distribute grant announcement – December 2012
2. Appoint grant review subcommittee – January 2013
3. Receive and review grant applications – March 2013
4. Announce grant recipient – April 2013

Goal 3: Web page with links to education resources and offer of assistance through MAGIP mentoring or request for assistance programs.

MAGIP should have links to on-line resources for educators, and may be willing to assist with any activity designed to further the geographic education of any student group..

Education Committee Budget

PROJECTED INCOME	\$	0
<i>Scholarships</i>	\$	2,000
<i>Grants</i>		
<i>Assistance</i>	\$	1,000
<i>GPS Trunk</i>	\$	-
<i>K-12 Curriculum</i>	\$	2,000
<i>Other (please specify in notes column)</i>	\$	-
PROJECTED EXPENSES	\$	5,000
NET INCOME	\$	(5,000)