MAGIP 2021-2022 Accomplishments

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Introduction
MAGIP was founded to facilitate communication among GIS professionals and users in Montana, to promote education and professional development, and to advance best practices and standards in GIS data development. This document presents an overview of what the Board of Directors and its committees accomplished during the June 2021 - May 2022 Board term.

Board Members
- Michael Krueger, Past President, Elected, 2019-2022
- Jeff Hedstrom, President, Elected, 2020-2023
- Mike Powell, Vice President, Elected, 2021-2024
- Nate Wold, Treasurer, Elected, 2021-2023
- Steven Jay, Member-at-Large/Member Development Committee Chair, Elected, 2020-2022
- Phoebe Ferguson, Member-at-Large/Conference Liaison, Elected, 2020-2022
- Aaron Vaughn, Member-at-Large/Secretary, Elected, 2022-2023
- Eric Spangenberg, MLIAC Representative, Appointed by MLIAC, 2020 (Appointed December 2020)-2022
- Rob Ahl, Scholarship and Grants Committee Chair, Appointed, 2021-2023
- Jason Danielson, Technical Committee Chair, Appointed, 2021-2023

Subcommittee Chairs
- Meghan Burns, Web Subcommittee Chair, 2020-2022

Board of Directors
- Quarterly board meetings were held on September 27 2021 (Strategic Planning Session), January 18, and April 5 2022 (Big Sky GeoCon). Monthly one-hour board meetings were held online through Zoom on June 15, July 20, August 17, October 19, November 16, December 21 2021, and February 15, March 15, and May 17, 2022. All Board meeting minutes can be found on the MAGIP website.
- Published the 2020-2021 Accomplishments report.
- The Board held their 10th annual board strategic planning event on September 26-27, 2021.
- Developed and approved an Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2022
- The MAGIP Past President oversaw a successful 2022 MAGIP Board of Directors Election
  - Vice President,
  - Member-at-Large/Member Development Committee Chair,
  - Member-at-Large/Conference Liaison
• The Board engaged the services of Full Scope to provide administrative support and to manage the Big Sky GeoCon 2022.
• Provided support for the Montana GIS and Geospatial Meetup page which consists of 417 members
• Used the Montana GIS and Geospatial Meetup page to advertise the following sponsored events:
  ○ National Public Lands Day, September 25
  ○ GIS Day Meetup, November 17
• Updated the MAGIP Members online map December 3, 2021 (update stats)
  ○ 224 Members –161 Full, 53 Associate, 104 Students
• Provided an update to the Montana Land Information Advisory Council at their quarterly meetings:
  June 24, September 15, December 16, 2020 and April 6, 2021
• The GIS Day Ad Hoc committee hosted its 10th Annual ArcGIS Online Map Contest and update Map Gallery
• Provided support for the MSU Earth Sciences Student Colloquium (provided rewards)
  ○ 1st place ($100): John Wendt - Bison Biogeography in Late Quaternary North America: Abundance, Distribution, and Climate
  ○ 2nd place ($75): Zena Robert - The Impacts of Century to Millennial Scale Erosional Processes on Permafrost Preservation and Carbon Storage in Interior Alaska
  ○ 3rd place ($50): Kylie Moore - Petrographic, Geochemical, and Age Dating Study of Dacite Units in the Greater Yellowstone Region
• The Local Government SIG held 11 successful monthly meetings between October 2021 to September 2022 (with no meeting in December)

Technical Committee
• Organized the workshops offered at the 2022 Big Sky GeoCon
  ○ Paid professional instructor led workshops by Geospatial Training Services (Eric Pimpler & Kara Utter)

Member Development Committee
• Salary Survey Report
• GIS Day, provided awards
  ○ Eric Spangenberg ($100) - Economic Development - City of Helena, MT
  ○ Allen Armstrong ($50) - BLM Montana/Dakotas Interactive Map
  ○ Haley Jurecki ($25) - City of Helena Major Infrastructure Projects

Scholarship & Grants Committee
• Selected two winners for the Higher Education Scholarships in 2022: $1,000 scholarship to Madison Vastine, Undergraduate, W.A. Franke College of Forestry and Conservation, Wildlife Biology Program, University of Montana and $1,000 scholarship to Hayden Yates, Master's Candidate, Department of Earth Sciences, Montana State University

Big Sky GeoCon Committee
• Organized and hosted a successful 2022 Big Sky GeoCon in Missoula, Montana from April 4 -7 at the Holiday Inn Downtown
  ○ First in person conference since 2019
○ There were 184 in attendance (this includes speakers, sponsors, staff, etc.)
○ There were 18 Exhibitors/Sponsors
○ There were 88 Workshop attendees (some went to more than one Workshop)