Meeting opened 2:01 PM

Attendees:

**Board Members:**
- Jeff Hedstrom (chair)
- Jason Danielson
- Eric Spangenberg
- Michael Krueger
- Rob Ahl
- Phoebe Ferguson
- Aaron Vaughn

**Guests:**
- Meghan Burns
- Bob Cochran

Decision to approve Nov 19, 2021 MAGIP BOD minutes was posed by Jeff, Jason Danielson made a motion to approve, 2nd by Phoebe Ferguson. Passed unanimously.

**New Business**

**GIS Day**
Michael recapped on a local MAGIP Day celebration and the events that took place in Billings. Meet-Up members met at ‘Tiny’s Tavern’ where giveaways and raffles were held and Esri Books and ArcGIS licenses were given out. Michael said there was a good turnout with several new interested Meet-Up members.

MAGIP Map Contest winners were as follows: Eric Spangenberg 1st, Allen Armstrong 2nd, Haley Jurecki 3rd. More details can be found here on MAGIP.org: [https://www.magip.org/News/12083035](https://www.magip.org/News/12083035)

**Awards Ad Hoc Committee**
Jeff brought the proposal to shift where the Awards Ad Hoc Committee fell within the structure of MAGIP, from originally being under the Professional Development (no longer a committee due to the by-laws revisions in 2020) to being under the Conference Committee. He included new verbiage describing the shift in the role and that the elected Conference Liaison would presume the role of being the Awards Ad Hoc Chair on years the Ad Hoc Committee is convened (with awards being honored every two years). Phoebe said that she agreed to take the role as assembling the ad hoc committee and be acting as the chair.

Motion to shift the Awards Ad Hoc Committee from being under the Professional Development Committee to Conference Committee by Jason Danielson, 2nd by Michael Krueger. Passed unanimously.

**MAGIP-MLIA Collaboration Recap**
Board members Mike, Jeff and Michael met with two representatives from the MLIA Council, Jennie Stapp the Council Chair and State GIS Coordinator, Erin Fashoway to talk about revision of the by-laws for the next MAGIP election cycle; that being new wording that describes the MLIA representative having MAGIP Board voting rights and aligning both organizations strategic goals.

State Library hosted a training program for strategic planning where Michael Krueger attended half of the 3-hour meeting, which included creating a needs assessment and grant writing among many other topics.

Review of January Board meeting potential list of agenda topics

Jeff led a discussion from the list of potential agenda topics for January’s quarterly board meeting.

Reports

Treasurer (Nate Wold not present) - Jeff filling in
- Jeff said Nate sent him a written report detailing expenditures including November GIS day checks. Eric Spangenberg requested money left over from GIS Day to be donated back to MAGIP Grants and Scholarships.
- There were also some funds used to purchase stamps and envelopes.

Grants and Scholarships Committee
- Rob says he is to issue a new call for applications for grants and scholarships, probably the second week of January.
- Rob is working to get more exposure within tribal/Native American education schools and organizations. He said last time, 5 years ago, he received a grant application from a tribal school where digital tablets were purchased through the grant.

Member Development Committee (Steve Jay not present) - Jeff filling in
- Steve relayed a note to Jeff saying the committee is still working on fleshing out the full Salary Survey Report and nothing else to report.

Conference Committee
- Phoebe said the new theme for the 2022 conference is ‘Better Together’. The committee has sent out a call for presentation under several categories.
- Also sent out ‘Save the Date’ reminders.
- The schedule is still being worked on, but Jason has made some gain with workshops. She said Esri will have a presence and representation.

Technical Committee
- Jason updated everyone with the news that ‘Imagine Nation Brewing’ intends to go up for sale. The business owners, Robert Rivers and Fernanda Krum, are still planning to be involved with the upcoming MAGIP conference in April. Fernanda told Jason she is still enthusiastic about conducting the keynote session and the brewery's sale will take some time.
● Jason said the workshops are coming together. He says Esri is working with him to do two half-day workshops.
● He said most classes are lined up and include a range of topics with instructors doing workshops in ArcGIS Pro, Arcade, SQL Queries, UAS, Python for GIS and others. He says it’s a great list and a wide selection of options.
● Additional responsibilities to finish: Updating workshops website, confirming pricing, reviewing software and hardware requirements, getting instructor bios and getting a final commitment from Esri with workshops. *Added that Frontier Precision will plan on committing to sponsorship.

Web Subcommittee
● Updating BigSky Geocon page so it includes items like call for presentations and hotel information. Also need to add sponsors and logos.
● Updated member map on the website.

MLIAC
● Eric said the latest MLIAC meeting on Nov 18 included usual agenda items. He says the first quarter financial report included the new filing fee where the cost has gone up. This directly benefits the Montana State Library.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Jason Danielson, 2nd by Aaron Vaughn. Passed unanimously.

Future Meetings:
BOARD MEETING – Tuesday January 18, 2022 10:00 AM (in-person in Helena, or online)
MLIAC – Tuesday, April 5, 2022, Big Sky Geocon in Missoula (online via Zoom)