



RIO GRANDE CHAPTER Meeting Minutes

Date: March 7, 2008

Time: 12:00 noon

Locations: Bohannon-Huston, Inc. Albuquerque, Las Cruces

I. Introductions were made.

A brief discussion about having non-members at meetings ensued. President Andrea Laliberte stated that she thought this was a good idea and would help educate folks about our chapter. Director Clyde Hubbard mentioned that he thought having additional technical presentations, like Zack's, would also be a good idea.

II. Director Zack Stauber of Bohannon-Huston presented a talk about the use of Open Source applications for photogrammetry. His PowerPoint will be made available on the website.

Zack stated that there are good opportunities for folks interested in working on developing open source tools for photogrammetric applications.

Director Bart Matthews stated that the topic of the NMGIC meeting this spring is partly related to aerial photography. Bart asked Zack to present something—might help expand the membership of the local OSGeo photogrammetry group.

III. The minutes of the February 1, 2008 meeting were approved.

Andrea Laliberte mentioned that she has had trouble with LPS, looking for something to replace it. They have used AutoPanel pro to collect tie points and import in to LPS.

IV. Election results: All board members were elected—voting turnout was very low.

V. New Business

1. Annual meeting

- Clyde Hubbard—talked to former NMGIC President Kurt Menke. Should we join in with them on the NMGIC meeting? Theme is managing large image data sets.

- Bart Matthews: NMGIC is April 25. In the past, ASPRS has had a table or booth
- Clyde Hubbard: Victoria Provenza has been in touch, would like to do Rocky Mountain meeting here as well.
- Bart Matthews: April 25th is the NMGIC meeting—spoke with Layton Hobbes regarding meeting as well. The concern is not to conflict with NMGIC—move to another time.
- We can have ASPRS table and pass out information, pamphlets, etc.; we will have a board meeting at NMGIC, but not the annual meeting.

2. Website

- The website is up and looks great thanks to Communications Director, Nathan Kempf
- Need a news article about getting started again, newsletter for March 15th publication.

3. Student Chapters

- Has been difficult to get this going, but there is interest in continuing efforts to do so.
- Andrea will forward information about student scholarships, etc. to try to keep that going.

[At this point, Amy Ballard had to excuse herself, so Nathan Kempf continued keeping minutes]

4. More Chapter Goals

- Clyde Hubbard suggested we focus on the upcoming NMGIC event on April 25th and the chapter's participation with this event
- It was unanimously voted to approve student participation in the chapter
- The Rio Grande Chapter agreed to up our contribution from \$15 to \$25 per student and RMR will contribute an additional \$20 (as detailed in President Laliberte's letter).
- This will give students full re-imbusement for membership
- Brain Post might have previous knowledge of student sponsorship costs
- Dennis Szarka suggested we make one goal at a time an action item. Clyde suggested making chapter meeting presentations an action item. He suggested Zack should lead this effort.

VI. Treasury Report: Brian Post was not present, so no report was available.

The next meeting will be on April 4th, 2008 at Noon at the same BHI locations.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Ballard, Secretary (with assistance from Communications Director,
Nathan Kempf)