



# Meeting Minutes - FINAL

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*August 18, 2010*

- Call to order
- Introductions
- Presentation(s): None
- Approval of Minutes – The July minutes were reviewed and approved.
- Officer Reports and/or Announcements - (See Current Business)
- Committee Reports
  - Policy and Web Site Subcommittee: Rama Sivakumar reported that he is available to add content to the current web site. It was agreed that GISCC monthly meeting minutes would be published. The Web Site Subcommittee includes the following members- Rama Sivakumar, George Vail, David Giguere and Keith McFadden. A suggestion was also made to include a moderated blog.
  - Strategic Planning and Policy Committee: Committee Chair, Chris Ogier reported that the committee had met in early August to discuss the by-laws and a potential process for ratifying membership. In reviewing the by-laws it was determined that changes should be considered in order to facilitate the latter process. The subcommittee is recommending that the by-laws be revised to reflect Committee “Members” and “Associates”, whereby Members would include the executive committee and Subcommittee Chairs with Associates being anyone with an interest in the GISCC.

Chris Ogier made a motion, seconded by David Giguere that the By-Laws be revised with draft revisions posted on the web site for review.

*The motion passed unanimously.*

Chris Ogier also introduced a discussion suggesting that the GISCC Sponsor a GISCC Event at the 2010 Geospatial Conference with the primary goal being to support the Conference and to invite State and Local V.I.P.s to gain exposure for the profession and geospatial issues in Georgia. The Conference Chair has been made aware and is in support of the event. Mr. Ogier made a motion that the GISCC sponsor the event.



David Giguere seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The event will be at the Conference Center in the exhibit hall from 4:30-6:00 PM on Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>.

As part of further subcommittee discussion, it was suggested that an GISCC Ethics policy be researched and adopted. George Vail volunteered to research the issue and provide feedback. A motion was made by Chris Ogier to research the Ethics Policy with a goal of adopting a formal, written policy by the October GISCC Meeting.

- Outreach Subcommittee: GISCC Chairman, Chris Chalmers reported for Subcommittee Chair, Keith McFadden who was absent. The GISCC has been granted a presentation opportunity at the Geospatial Conference and that many GISCC members were involved in the Georgia Geospatial Advisory Council related to HB 169.
- Data Framework Subcommittee: Subcommittee Chair, Robin Hoban stated that she would be representing HUQ 12, NHD and HRES for future reporting to the committee.

On behalf of the Data Framework Subcommittee, Barbara Stitt-Allen provided the following report: USGS, NOAA, Georgia Environmental Protection Division, and the Georgia Coastal Resources Division have completed the boundary and coding updates for the Watershed Boundary Dataset (WBD) for the State of Georgia. The WBD will be incorporated into the National Hydrography Dataset (NHD) framework by USGS.

- Education Chair: No report
- Current Business/ Announcements
  - Teague Buchanan reported that he met with Elizabeth Eason with DOAS on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of August pertaining to the Esri software ELA. He reported that it was a positive meeting and that Ms. Eason agreed to future dialogue and additional meetings on the topic in September.
  - Will Curry and Wes Flack with the US Census Bureau reported the 2010 release of the Census data would be released in December. Progressively more geospatial information provided through March 2011. The USCB is holding workshops on the use of the data and invited the membership to attend any of these workshops for more information.



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- GISCC Chairman Chalmers asked Chris Ogier to contact the Governor's office with the purpose of declaring GIS Day Official in the state of Georgia. Mr. Ogier agreed to do so.
- Adjournment: Motion was made by Jeff Simmons to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Chris Ogier.
- Attendees
  - Teague Buchanan
  - Rama Sivakumar
  - William Curry
  - Wes Flack
  - James Stapel
  - Isaac Weathers
  - Sharon Marshall
  - George Vail
  - Terry Jackson
  - Chris Chalmers
  - Rick Wallace
  - Jeff Simmons
  - Jason Briley
  - Chris Ogier
- Online Attendance
  - Robin Hoban
  - Barbara Stitt-Allen