

Wednesday November 2nd, 2011 at noon
The annual face to face meeting at GIS-Pro, Indianapolis

Attendees: Shoreh, Allen, Wendy, Mark, Dianne, Al Butler, Randy Hale
Regrets: Heather

Minutes

1) Approval of Minutes

Moved to approve: Mark
Second: Allen

2) Monthly Financial Report

End of September 2011 Financial Report:

- Total expenses in September '11: \$314.14 YTD: \$5,954.90 since 2003: \$60,824.35.
- Total contributions in September '11: \$0, YTD: \$1,140; since 2003: \$71,757.12.
- Total balance as of end of September '11: \$10,932.77. (minus ESRI's \$25k for PRAD project)

3) Committee Updates

- **Website** – mass email problem is fixed; will be tested with the next email blast.
- **Finance** – the budget and forecasts into 2013 was presented and discussed. Based on the existing trends on donations and our almost fixed expenditures, we will have a +/- \$1,500 deficit in 2013. Various ideas to prevent that were brought up including: sending an email to all URISA members, chapters, GC volunteers, and FOG and ask for donations or include it in the newsletter. Also, look for a professional grant writer who would take a portion of a grant if successful in securing one. We need to revisit three pieces that goes into a grant application and update them: GC profile, our budget, and how the grant will be spent (on what categories). Asked Allen to mention that we are looking for a grant writer at tomorrow's presentation.
- **Disaster response (DR)** – Shoreh will attend three events in Geneva later in the month where she hopes to learn more about UNOCHA, UN-Spider and ICCM's new initiatives especially as it relates to crown sourcing.
- **Publication** – the newsletter will go out on the third week of November.

Deployment news (projects in progress and new projects)

- **Oklahoma Red Cross:** Heather is trying to get a final report together for the project; the project is completed.
- **Identity Inc - Montgomery County:** Rob has sent the report which will be the feature story.
- **Nigeria: GRDC's second phase:** Hassan cannot be reached. Mark will try his work phone number.
- **MapAction mission in Caribbean:** no updates; will contact the PA to find out the status
- **UNO-PLUS mission - second phase:** work in progress

- **Haiti mission with Fonkoze:** the first phase is complete. They might come back with additional tasks.
- **Mission in Malawi:** no updates
- **Mozambique - Niassa National Reserve:** the project is on hold until early 2012.
- **Mozambique Tourism Ministry:** waiting for new imagery
- **N. Korea: Project with iMMAP/WFP -- 4th recruitment:** work in progress
- **Conscious Global Change Inc.:** in progress
- **Wichita Refuge, OK (Fish and Wildlife):** work in progress
- **American Red Cross:** work in progress

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Other business

- **Software/Hardware donation policy (vote):** the latest changes to the Policy document were discussed and a motion was made by Allen to approve the change and Mark seconded his motion. Shoreh will post the revised policy on the website.
- **Awards nomination: Daily Points of Light & Presidential Volunteer Service Awards:** our DPRK advisor Karen Payne emailed and asked if she could nominate us for these two awards; she'll let us know of the results.
- **ICCM, UNOCHA, UN-Spider events (November 12-16):** details are included under disaster response sub committee report.
- **MOU with UNOSAT:** UNOSAT is interested in signing an MOU with us. Shoreh will work with them on the language. The MOU will describe the details of collaborative and continues tasks between the two entities.
- **Core Committee Election:** Heather was nominated as the new chair and Mark as the co-chair. A motion was made by Allen and seconded by Shoreh to accept the nominations. Cindy has decided to step down (thanks Cindy!). We will be looking for additional members in the following weeks.
- **Open Street Map pilot project:** Randy Hale talked about his involvement with OSM Humanitarian group called HOT and also provided brief information about OSM and their model (licensing, ownership of data, etc.). He said that he would be willing to lead a group of GC volunteers for a pilot project with OSM. Shoreh will meet OSM members at ICCM and will discuss the details of the project further.

Next call: December 14, 2011 at 2:30 PM EDT