

**URISA Southern California Chapter**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**June 12, 2002, OCTA**  
Recorded by Lorenda Lee

**Board Members Present**

Ingrid Bruce  
Lisa Lubeley  
Mike Calandra  
Lorenda Lee  
Kim Mathis  
Eric Bauman  
Angela Johnson  
Dan Henderson

**2003 Conference** Dan Henderson

Conference Committee went to Palm Springs to inspect facilities. The Committee is in the process of finalizing the contract with convention center. We plan to reserve the whole convention center. Lots of space, so workshops will be at the convention center instead of a remote location. Plenary session and setup can happen at the same time without conflicting. The Spa Hotel will be the Host Hotel. Taste testing food postponed until October. Program is tracks are set. Call for papers will go to press soon. Matt Brown, Tom McDowell and Lisa Lubeley are the program chairs; there will be 5 tracks. Website will have more details when it comes online. Rates to attend are as follows: \$225 (onsite), \$200, \$145, \$95. Early Registration is still a bargain. More attendance is desired.

Conference is on schedule. Next Committee Meeting will be in July or August

**Treasurer's report** Mike Calandra.

We have money in the treasury.

**Los Angeles** section is in trouble. Too much competition from various user groups. Discussion ensued seeking a solution. Possible reconfiguration and/or consolidation of the Chapter scenarios discussed; workshops are successful. Possible rotation of whole Chapter meeting. Develop a questionnaire for members.

Chapter Board will meet during ESRI Conference to discuss. Will take ideas to National in October.

**Tax ID Status** Eric Bauman

Application for 1024 status rejected

Instead we are applying for the 1023, 501c3. We still need a constitution. Scott Fabbro and Stan Yon will get the date of the original documentation and place on Constitution, and get to Eric by the end of the week.

In the future keep all receipts and create a standard for travel invoices. Discussion ensued of Chapter obtaining credit cards, which create a whole new set of requirements. Do not use debit cards.

**Section Meetings**

San Diego Section will host an August meeting at Scripps Institute of Oceanography in La Jolla. The focus of the meeting is the membership drive and a Vis demo of Fliedermaus.

### **Scholarships** Dan Henderson

Applications will be available in early September for the 2002/3 Scholarship Program. The Chapter will award 3 scholarships @ \$1500 each. Requirements: Must be in School, URISA member

Eric: Must comply with IRS rules in awarding Scholarships. Will get text description to Dan prior to preparation of Official Application.

### **National Conference**

Oct 26~ in Chicago. Ingrid, Lisa, Kim and Dan to attend. Hotel: Hyatt, in walking distance to the convention Center. Good Facilities. Chapter to attend National's Business Meeting after National Conference. Lisa & Ingrid will see Wendy during ESRI Conf. To discuss Chapter Issues. Lisa is on the National Conference Program Committee and reported that over 200 abstracts had been submitted. CalGIS may want to recruit those that were turned down. Future National conferences: 2003 in Atlanta, 2004 in Reno.

**Conference announced:** Public Participation in GIS.

### **HAZUS** Now a So. Cal Chapter

Application is free to agencies. Web: put in data and get a model Disaster Plan

Concerned with Disasters: Earthquakes, Floods etc. There is a HAZUS user group, they are willing to come and train. Good for us to support, some Board members have reservations – Discussion ensued.

### **GIS Council (CA)**

BAAMA is involved in preparing requirements for the Bay Area Regional Council.

So. Cal. Chapter needs a voice in the proposed Regional Councils in the South.

Discussion ensued. Positive responses were expressed overall.

### **Profile** Discussion.

#### **Awards** Outgoing board 2000-2002

Lisa Lubeley- Chapter Advisor

Ingrid Bruce- President

Nosh Vadoli- National Liaison

Eric Bauman- Secretary Extraordinaire

Mike Calandra- Treasurer

Lorenda Lee- Acting Secretary

**Brief Discussion of New Board offices**

Kim Mathis President

Lorenda Lee Secretary

Other positions briefly mentioned.