

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER OF URISA BOARD MEETING**Tuesday, July 8, 2003 - 7:00 to 8:00 am****Marriott Hotel, LC's Cafe**

Recorded by Lorenda Lee

In attendance:

Kim Mathis
Ingrid Bruce
Mike Calandra
Lorenda Lee
Dan Henderson
Tobias Wolfe
Tim Craig
Scott Shepard
Suzann Leininger
Laszlo Mariahazy
Blanca Quintero
Miriam Cope

ITEM 1: WELCOME**ITEM 2: APPROVED BOARD DUTIES** (*Distributed*)**ITEM 3: MEETING AND WORKSHOPS****Olivenhain Dam tour – June 27 (comments)**

Dan received several comments that the tour was great. More technical tours will be scheduled in August and/or September (once dam is filled). Dan will again organize tours.

Regional User Groups Meeting at ESRI Conference – July 8

Dan confirmed that representatives from the following User groups will speak at today's meeting: SoCal URISA (Kim), San Diego ESRI ArcGIS Users Group (Tim Craig), San Diego Regional GIS Council, formerly GIS Coordinator's Group (Wendy Barto), CGIA (Steve Kunkel), GITA (Laszlo), SoCal GIS Local Government User Group (Barry Waite). Kim will host today's meeting and announce winners of the San Diego Geography Showcase. Awards for showcase winners were donated by ESRI and include Virtual campus courses and an ArcPad license (Grand Showcase).

Workshop Survey Results

Kim provided results from workshop surveys distributed and collected from the 2003 CalGIS conference and 3-D Visualization workshop (June 2003). Results showed that the majority of survey respondents are interested in Database Management and Cartography, employed by County/Regional/Local Governments, and would like to see workshops on Data Creation/ Maintenance/Conversion and Database Management and Topical GIS issues (e.g., Geology/Environmental, Urban Planning, Public Works, Tax Assessment). Results also showed that the majority of those surveyed would travel 75 to 100 miles to attend workshops (depending on length and content).

Next Workshop – Topic, Date, Location

Workshop Topics include:

- GIS and Information Systems Integration
- Consensus Building Techniques for GIS Partnerships

Location is tentatively scheduled for Los Angeles City Hall, CSULA as backup.

Date is October 29, 2003 with November 5, 2003 as a backup date.

David will potentially teach the workshop (on either topic). He and Ingrid are working to reserve workshop location.

Membership Drives

Membership Drives will not be held at local restaurants this year. A technical tour (Olivenhain Dam tour) will be coordinated instead. Membership dues will be collected on these tours as well as through annual letters of reminder.

ITEM 4: NEWSLETTER IDEAS

Examples of other groups' newsletters were passed around for board member review and comment.

Board decided that SoCal newsletter should include:

- Two GIS-related news articles including a letter from the president and one from another board member or volunteer on successful projects or other industry news.
- GIS/Database Tips and Tricks
- Job Listings
- Upcoming events
- Announcements including grants, awards, contributions.
- Book Review (on occasion)
- National URISA news

Suzann will bring proposed newsletter layout to September board meeting for review and comment. She and Blanca will work to get newsletter sponsors. Advertising costs discussed but not finalized.

ITEM 5: TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance discussed.

ITEM 6: NEW BUSINESS

Kim to submit SoCal Chapter profile by July 14 for National URISA's Chapter of the Year Award.

NEXT MEETING OCTOBER 29, 2003

Board dinner meeting immediately following the October 29 workshop.

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