

November 13, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Present: Cassandra, Satwant, Matt, Keith (remote), Robert
MB Infrastructure, 280 Broadway, Winnipeg

Review of Meeting Minutes

- Keith was going to look into Modern Earth
- Domain jn Satwant will be at the Manitoba Land Surveyors conference September 12th and 13th- handing out conference cards and posters

Director Updates

Robert

- will present accessibility for the next meeting
- Need to get on recruiting

Financial

- Banking depositing cheques – need to better track whose cheques are deposited
- New routine: take photo of cheque before depositing
- May only be sitting at 6k after conference instead of the usual 10k
 - More cheques to deposit though
- Need 2k for next conference deposit
- Need around 2k for AGM
- Evan and Geoff looking at grants
 - NSERC grant possible, due 3rd week of this month
- AV needs to be paid to Philippe
- Printing has high this year, will look into high cost
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Sponsorship and Advertising

- Satwant: should contact Norman Helden (?) at U of M, also U of M Engineering dept

Jobs and Content

- Keith adding new jobs
- Could add blog post on geo week or conference re-cap
- Need conference pictures – Robert following up with Andrea
- Should put up slides from conference, maybe in a past conference page

Social Media and Marketing

- Robert and Andrea to look into Hootsuite or similar (is there a WordPress plugin?)
- Advertise the directory, etc. on website

Web Maintenance

- Looking at upgrading WordPress
- Keith looking at adding SSL so when people log in site is encrypted
- Instagram has come untethered from website

Membership

- 9 new members

Education

- Steven putting on workshop for GIS week
- Happy GIS Day!

Event Planning

- Satwant having trouble with emails – Google sorts them into promotions
- Matt and Keith have workshops next week
 - QGIS
 - OpenStreetMap
 - Cassandra will provide shwag to Matt a or Keith to give out
- Next Networking night
 - Need a new place, TransCanada is booked up
 - Need somewhere that serves food, will try other breweries
 - Next networking night will be more networking, less presentations
 - Maybe we can cross-pollinate with Green Drinks
- If someone goes to data science on the 19th, do a MGUG shout out
- Mining Conference – need slideshow and Robert's extra monitor to display slide show, and the banner and MGUG laptop

AGM Planning

- AGM – Park Theatre
- Tentatively Feb. 18, but will look into the Wednesday/Thursday
- Robert will look into booking a table at Leopold's
- Speakers:
 - Jacques Marcoux
 - Chris Storie, missed out on conference Robert will touch base
 - Air1 Flight operations a possibility
 - Robert as backup
 - Cassandra probably as well
 - ***Need six total
- Burritos
- Costco for snacks and fruit
- Will need presentations from each board member
 - Geoff made new 2020 folder, template will be in there
- Discussion Topics:
 - MGUG board member discount – may need to amend constitution

2020 Fall Conference

- John Nelson interested to be keynote next year (Michigan)
- Greta Peterson? (West Coast US)
- Poster night for the pre-conference mixer
 - Networking-night style short talks?
- Locations:
 - Old convention centre
 - Victoria Inn
 - Canad Inns Polo
 - Vicount Gort
 - Fort Garry Place
 - Not the Delta, Delta bad
- Prices may need to go up for sponsorship, what they get may need to be modernized
- Ticket prices the same for next year