

# NR URISA MEETING MINUTES

## November 22, 2005

**Attendees:** Betty Conces , Joan Appell, Dan Jensen, Angela VanderPas, Donna Phillips

### Metadata Workshop in Pocatello:

Dan reported that the Metadata workshop presented by Bruce Godfrey with UofI was well attended and well organized. A great success.

Betty and Becky are working on setting up a SW Idaho and Northern Idaho workshop as well.

### URISA Workshops:

We expect to have some preliminary dates for URISA workshops by next month (December). URISA workshop credits to our local chapter can be awarded by National URISA by submitting a plan to promote membership to URISA, and then submitting a follow through report. The marketing plan still needs to be worked on.

### ESRI Workshops:

Thad Thilton –ArcObjects with VBA for \$1750 per person – 5 day course, has been schedule at the ISU in Pocatello for March 13-17, 2006

Dan will contact Thad regarding the workshop being held in other parts of the state and what timeline he has available

Allan Coil - ArcObjects with VBA for \$9979 up to 12 people – 3 day course. Nothing has been started regarding this class.

### Accounting:

Discussion was made regarding our current accountant and some issues regarding timeliness and responsiveness. Because this was not limited to one time period and decision was made to talk to some other accountants for pricing and availability. This information will be brought to the next meeting and discussed with that information available.

Donna presented some bills for payment authorization including: Discount Call Communications (conference calls) which run about \$50 +/- depending on attendance and reimbursement receipts from Nancy for NR-URISA's collaboration with ASPRS' meeting November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2005

### Membership Renewals:

Donna is working on a membership card and will send out a draft when completed. She will also work on a welcome letter including information such as National URISA, membership benefits (both local chapter and national), our geographic areas and how they are grouped.

It was also noted that memberships received in the last quarter of the year will be effective January 1<sup>st</sup> and that the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter meetings will add a focus for new memberships and membership renewals.

Regarding membership renewals, Joan will head that up for creating a letter to solicit renewals and cover next years events. The membership form will need to be modified to include if membership is new or is a renewal. Betty will help with membership database and content.

### Newsletter:

Bill was absent but had told Betty at the North Idaho GIS Users meeting that he just a couple items to finish and will have a draft ready. He still needs some bios from board members. Everyone is reminded to send theirs in if they haven't already.

**2007 Conference Location Potentials:**

Anne Kawalec and Sara Stolz are both out scouting for us conference location potentials. Neither were able to attend the meeting so hopefully at the next conference call we'll have some possibilities to pick from. This was also a reminder to all to start thinking about our next conference. We will need to have our dates, location and theme ready for Montana's conference packet in March.

**Next GIS Users Meetings:**

Dan would like to schedule a GIS Users meeting in Idaho Falls next February and do an NR-URISA sponsored lunch open to all who'd like to attend.

Please renew your membership as soon as Betty sends out the info.

There will be no conference call in December unless we need to meet regarding the Metadata workshop.

Next meeting: January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2006  
Tuesday @ 8am PST/ 9am MST