Wednesday August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at noon Eastern Time Call information: 1-800-944-8766 Code 28685

Attendees: Shoreh, Allen, Mark, Dianne, Heather, Wendy, Tom

**Regrets: None** 

#### **Minutes**

## 1) Approval of Minutes

Moved to approve: Mark

Second: Dianne

## 2) Monthly Financial Report

End of June 2012 Financial Report

- Total expenses in June '12: \$466.96 YTD: \$5,834.75 since 2003: \$67,906.50.
- Total contributions in June '12: \$0.00, YTD: \$600.00; since 2003: \$97,542.12.
- Total balance as of end of June '12: \$29,638.70.

# 3) Committee Updates

- Website: to increase our efficiency in collecting volunteer and partner agency's
  feedback as well as processing GIS letters and certificates of appreciation which is
  currently handled manually, Shoreh spoke and gave a tour to one of the volunteers who
  had indicated that Joomla has great survey modules and that he could possibly help. He
  will get back with us after he researches all available options.
- **Finance:** No new information from Tim Foresman. Asked if we could meet with Board members regarding finance matters at the GIS-Pro. Tom and Wendy said that Board members will attend the annual meeting.
- **Disaster response:** Heather has followed up with Kentucky and is waiting on their response. Shoreh said that she would follow up with Florida Coast Guard.
- Publication: The next newsletter is for November. We will have several feature stories.

# Deployment news (projects in progress and new projects)

- Skype call with World Vision Canada: a call is scheduled with WV's GIS/IT head at 5 pm EST to discuss their overall needs and also a deployment to Sierra Leone.
- FEMA CAP project & Camp Roberts: John Crowley of Woodrow Wilson Center and Harvard Humanitarian Initiative requested the assistance of GC volunteers for two Civil Air Patrol projects. One is in Rhode Island and the other at Camp Roberts.
- All Hands: Heather had sent them an email and they contacted us and after a Skype call we
  think that Esri's new portal solution might be a good option for them. Will follow up with them
  and Esri to lay out the details.
- HopeLink: a volunteer from Seattle is selected for this project; this is project number 103.
- NATO Ships project phase 2; project is complete; they will send a report.
- GSDI projects

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- 1. Sudan (Grant Gordon): contacted Grant Gordon once again and he confirmed that he is withdrawing his request.
- 2. Tanzania: the PA is field testing the findings of the volunteer at this time.
- 3. Russia: Bill Huxhold has been selected for this project. He'll be heading there in November.
- 4. Triple projects (South Africa, Zimbabwe, Nigeria): ongoing.
- 5. Uzbekistan: Nancy Von Meyer is selected for this project.
- UNO-PLUS mission: the second volunteer is still working on finishing the task so that the project can be concluded and handed over to paid employees.
- Mozambique Niassa National Reserve: No contacts.
- N. Korea: Project with iMMAP/WFP (5th recruitment): going very well and the management team meets on a monthly basis.
- Somalia with UNOSAT: no updates.
- OSM-Indonesia: project concluded; waiting for the final report.
- Zambia (second request): no contact.

#### Other business

- ArcGIS Online for Organization (AGOL) donation: Esri informed us at the UC that we are awarded with their latest product (AGOL). We are in contact with them to hash out the details. They also offered to train a few volunteers. Shoreh has spoken to David Litke and Carol Kraemer and they have both accepted to assist.
- Esri UC new contacts and leads: we met many existing and new partners while at the UC and several have asked to follow up including several UN agencies, Save the Children, and World Vision.
- **Digital Humanitarian Network (DGNetwork):** DHN will hold a meeting after ICCM conference in DC in October. GISCorps is a core member of DHN and will attend if they provide travel funding.

Next call: September 12, 2012 at 2:30 PM Eastern Time

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