

Wednesday August 14th, 2013 at 4:00 PM EST
Call information: 1-800-944-8766 Code 28685

Attendees: Shoreh, Wendy, Keri, Dianne, Carol, Allen, Dave
Regrets: Mark, Heather

Minutes

1) Approval of Minutes

Moved to approve: Dianne
Second: Allen

2) Monthly Financial Report

End of May 2013 Financial Report

- Total expenses in May 2013: \$27.13 YTD: \$4,214.80 since 2003: \$74,540.87.
- Total contributions in May 2013: \$0.00, YTD: \$125.00; since 2003: \$98,517.12.
- Total balance as of end of May 2013: \$23,976.25.

3) Committee Updates

- **Website:**
 - **Collaborate Platform (Open Atrium):** no updates
 - **Adding fields and questions to volunteer database:** this task is complete and we are asking volunteers to update their records in August newsletter. We then talked about placing a link on the website for lost passwords. Allen said that he will ask Derek about it.
 - **Website glitch:** Carol had talked about a glitch on the backside of the website at the previous call. When someone goes to update their records, it requires that the resume would be submitted as it is a required field, however, the error message is not visible so the volunteer thinks that the new change has taken affect while that is not the case. The issue is outstanding.
- **Finance:** no new activities.
- **Disaster response:** Heather was unable to attend the call but sent her report via an email. She said that she had attended the Missouri VOAD's quarterly meeting again and said that it was a very interesting meeting.
- **Publication:** all the material is ready and the newsletter will be sent out this week.

Deployment news (projects in progress and new projects)

- Launched, ongoing, new:
 1. CDC project in Uganda: this is a new project. We'll have a conference call with the PA.
 2. Young Voices on Climate Change (YVCC): Shoreh had a phone call with the PA. They project will require someone with AGOL expertise. Shoreh will draft a job description.
 3. Ventura Botanical Garden: a conference call was held and Allen created a JD. They are in the process of reviewing the JD at this time.
 4. 1947 Partition Project – India: the PA said that due to a tight deadline they decided to hire a consultant, however, they might contact us for additional volunteers.
 5. ITOS – Indonesia: the project is completed and they will send a feature story for November.
 6. Atacama Desert Project (Forensic Oceanography): work is ongoing.
 7. FINCA – Uganda: the PA is traveling and has not contacted us for a few weeks.
 8. Afghanistan conservation – UNEP: the volunteer will be heading to Kabul in early September.

9. Catholic Charities of Missouri: the project is moving along. The PA has mentioned that she could help us get recognition in other regions through her contacts (she was in NYC previously) perhaps more easily than joining every state VOAD. Heather will be talking with her more about ideas.
10. K-12 California: the second phase of the project is about to begin. He will send a report for November newsletter.
11. I-CAN project: we will be looking for a JavaScript programmer for the second phase of the project. Shoreh said that she'll ask for a programmer in the newsletter.
12. ICGC – third phase: going well, finishing up the work for Haiti. Afghanistan is next.
13. GlobalWA: they need additional functionality on their AGOL platform.
14. The World federation for Coral Reef Conservation: work is ongoing.
15. Amnesty International USA: the original specs has expended and the volunteer is providing a lot more information and analysis to the PA.
16. Nigeria GSDI: the site is now hosted by a new company.
17. USGS National Map Corps: Dave reported that the website is almost complete. Shoreh asked if they would need additional volunteers for their next phase. Dave had a call with them after the CC call. He will ask them about it. Carol asked if students could participate in the project.
18. All Hands: the PA is reconnected to the volunteers.
19. HopeLink: Dan wrote one of the feature stories for August newsletter even though he is still assisting them.
20. GSDI projects: South Africa, Zimbabwe, Uzbekistan: no new on either projects.
21. N. Korea: Project with iMMAP/WFP: going strong. A new progress map was posted on the website.
22. Tanzania GSDI: the new volunteer reported that the project is progressing well.

Other business

- GIS-Pro – preparation for GISCorps related events (meetings, election, CC and volunteer presentations):
 - The annual meeting will be held on 9/17 at noon and the election will be held during the meeting. Dianne will be the new Chair and Mark the Past Chair. Shoreh asked if Dave or Carol would be willing to run for Vice Chair. Also, asked if anyone had recommendations for volunteers to let everyone know.
 - There will be a 20-minute presentation on Wednesday 9/18 during breakfast award ceremony. A short intro and a sort of a run on 10 years of service/missions.
 - Our posters at UC will be there and Wendy said that they will be on exhibit throughout the conference.
- Missouri EMA: Heather reported (via email) that she has been contacted by the Missouri EMA who is requesting a couple of maps to help with damage assessment in flooded areas. She said that she might put one of the volunteers that she had considered for Catholic Charities to help with that. She said that she will also ask them to fill out the request form once it appears to be a go.

Next call: Face to face meeting at GIS-Pro, Tuesday September 17th, 2013 at noon EST