

Wednesday December 14, 2011 at 2:30 PM Eastern time
Call information: 1-800-944-8766 Code 28685

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

Minutes

1) Approval of Minutes

Moved to approve: Dianne
Second: Allen

2) Monthly Financial Report

End of October 2011 Financial Report:

- Total expenses in October '11: \$287.25 YTD: \$6,242.15 since 2003: \$61,111.60.
- Total contributions in October '11: \$0, YTD: \$1,140; since 2003: \$71,757.12.
- Total balance as of end of October '11: \$10,645.52. (minus ESRI's \$25k for PRAD project)

3) Committee Updates

- **Website** – mass email will be tested with the holiday email.
- **Finance** – no update
- **Disaster response (DR)** – ongoing work with multiple organizations including several UN agencies
- **Publication** – Next newsletter will go out in February.

Deployment news (projects in progress and new projects)

Ongoing projects (10):

- **Nigeria: GRDC's second recruitment:** Mark concluded that Hassan is no longer a volunteer for this project (no response from him). He will start a new recruitment.
- **UNO-PLUS mission:** Smitha is on maternity leave and they might ask for a new volunteer.
- **Mission in Malawi:** the mission is on hold.
- **Mozambique - Niassa National Reserve:** the second phase is on hold.
- **Mozambique Tourism Ministry:** new imagery was donated by Digital Globe
- **N. Korea: Project with iMMAP/WFP:** a very impressive rate of progress especially from the new volunteers. Asked them to send in their profiles to create a special page for their project.
- **Conscious Global Change Inc.:** a new volunteer is joining the project.
- **Wichita Refuge, OK (Fish and Wildlife):** ongoing and progressing very well.
- **American Red Cross:** no update.
- **Zambia (second request: need trainer):** SLCS have asked if our volunteers can teach them how to use ArcGIS. Lisa (the current volunteer) has committed to assemble online training material for them (new mission)

Nine new projects (total at 88): Somalia with UNOSAT, Samoa simulation (3 projects: OSM, Analysis, data mining), Sierra Leone, GICHD (demining), WHO, OSM in Indonesia, and Zambia (mentioned above): following the meetings in Geneva, several new projects have been brought to us and recruitment is occurring for 6 of them at this time.

Completed projects (3): Oklahoma Red Cross, Fonkoze (first phase), possibly MapAction: these projects are either completed or they will return to us for further assistance at a later date. All three are going to be moved to completed project page.

Other business

- **ICCM, UNOCHA, UN-Spider events:** Shoreh sent a full report on all three events that she attended in Geneva in November. Many new connections were made and several new projects have already come to GC as a result.
- **UN Disaster Response course:** Inter-Agency Distance Learning Course on Information Management: Shoreh is taking an online course on information Management from UNITAR. The course will conclude in February.

Next call: January 11, 2012 at 2:30 PM EDT