

Thursday June 18, 2020 at 12:00 EDT

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2019/2020 Chair: Troy

2019/2020 Co-chair: Wincy

## AGENDA

Members shown in bold are present:

- GISCorps CC: **Shoreh, Holly, German, Troy, Wincy, Konrad, Erin**
- Advisory Board: Dianne, **Allen**, Carol
- URISA: **Wendy, Bryan**

Regrets are not bolded.

### Approval of [May Minutes](#)

- **Motion: Konrad**
- **Second: Troy**
- **The motion passes.**

### Monthly Financial Report

End of April 2020 Financial Report: **Shoreh**

- Total expenses in April 2020: \$2,300.00, YTD: \$11,023.19, since 2003: \$161,895.19. (GIS assistant: \$2,300.00).
- Total [contributions](#) in April 2020: \$0.00. YTD: \$5,055.00 since 2003: \$242,459.27.
- Total balance as of the end of April 2020: \$80,564.08.

### Committee Updates

- **Advisory Committee**
  - **Marketing activities: Allen**; on hold at this time.
    - Document is [posted here](#).
    - Update for digital marketing package implementation:
      - Nothing new at this time, likely will need to wait a bit given the current environment to launch this initiative. Would like to hear other opinions to confirm or not.
    - There will be a NAPSG/NISGC/URISA Pandemic GIS Hotwash next week on Tuesday. Wendy recommends we register for that and listen in this week and maybe join in future weekly meetings. Signup link: <http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07eh48a5na7847c981&llr=nplxpbdab>
  - **Update to strategic plan: Dianne**
    - Update to the Board - based on the current Strategic Plan - due May 18; have requested CC members review and provide input by May 13.
    - Quarterly Strategic Plan update was submitted. Next annual update due July 14
    - Committee Coordination Committee - 2 docs on introducing new recruits to committees, one common to all committees and the other specific to a

committee. Will complete the skeleton committee specific document and post to google drive for review by all.

- **Technical (Website/Vol database/GSuite)**
  - GSuite migration - Carol
    - No updates except that we are waiting for a determination of the feasibility of this approach before taking further action.
  - Volunteer DB replacement - Holly
    - *Constant Contact has a monthly cost based on how many contacts you have in your contact list. It's about \$130 a month.*
    - *MailChimp is \$75/month for 10,000 contacts.*
    - *Holly will explore using*

- **GIS Service Pledge (GSP): Holly**

- Activity since **May 21**:

	Last 30 days	Previous 30-day period
<b>Applications Approved</b>	0	2
<b>Applications Rejected</b>	0	0
<b>Reports Posted on Website</b>	0	1
<b>Reports Now Due/Overdue</b>	13	13

- Cumulative program totals:
  - Total Applicants: **64**
  - Approved Participants: **50**
  - Withdrawals: **4**
  - Rejections/Invalid applications: **13**
  - Reports submitted: **22**
  - Countries represented: **8**
- Sent a round of reminder emails on May 2.
- Tracking spreadsheet is here for anyone who would like more detail:  
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1fHDeh5DLyvefAON1FLv2RZ4E0J0mqv1Y7hZTF0zaVm8/edit?usp=sharing>

- **Disaster Response Subcommittee: German**

- [Disaster Response SOPM](#) (In progress)
- Erin and I continue to work on refining apps for Hurricane Season.
- Wildfire Project in full swing. #firemappers
- Platform to investigate: [www.factal.com](http://www.factal.com)
- Call on Friday with FEMA and NWS to discuss how NWS can access our platforms.
- On hold for now: [FEMA-CAP](#):

- Another meeting with CAP. CAP working on MOU-type agreement with job descriptions.

**Communications: Holly**

- Since last meeting:
  - [Q2 Newsletter](#)
  - 1 New project announcement
    - [292 - NAPSG Wildfire Initial Attack](#)
  - 2 Completed Project Posts
    - [293 Michigan Dam Failures](#)
    - [294 - NAPSG Tropical Storm Cristobal](#)
  
- Upcoming publications:
  - Upcoming website reports:
    - New Project announcements:
      - 280-Green World Campaign
      - 296-WHO GOARN Training
      - 291-Tanzania Development Trust Mentors
    - Completed Project reports:
      - 264-WE CAN Foundation
      - 295-NASA JPL
  
- Social media outreach activity since **May 21**:

	Followers/Members			Posts	
	Current	At last meeting	Change	Last 30 days	Previous 30-day period
<a href="#">Twitter</a>	3,074	3,017	+2%	12	12
<a href="#">Instagram</a>	690	654	+6%	1	3
<a href="#">Facebook Page</a>	354	337	+5%	3	8
<a href="#">Facebook Group</a>	774	751	+3%	5	4
<a href="#">LinkedIn Page</a>	709	622	+14%	8	8
<a href="#">LinkedIn Group</a>	1,185	1,167	+2%	3	4

Deployment news (launched, ongoing, new): [Mission Control Spreadsheet](#) - from most recent to the oldest project

Missions <b>293</b> Launched	Missions <b>22</b> In Progress	Volunteer <b>2,209</b> Positions Filled
Missions <b>240</b> Completed		Hours <b>73,486</b> Volunteered

**1. Global MapAid**

- Need a mentor to work with a PhD student that doesn't have GIS expertise and is working on an AI project to determine the best location for bore holes in Eritrea.
- Next step: develop a JD and need a project manager.
- Notes:  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1k4rH\\_Sj8Zb4h0vnviZNnMRKow8BSI0ZKOvdnuw9burc/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1k4rH_Sj8Zb4h0vnviZNnMRKow8BSI0ZKOvdnuw9burc/edit?usp=sharing)

**2. LaundryCares Foundation**

- On hold for now
- Notes:  
[https://drive.google.com/open?id=1qzggRKwjlUJ2l8\\_CghVjJxXUeWxm\\_l6N07jp59X71cg](https://drive.google.com/open?id=1qzggRKwjlUJ2l8_CghVjJxXUeWxm_l6N07jp59X71cg)

**3. WHO GOARN (296) - Wincy**

- Dan sent an update requesting for additional slots because they decided to have a trainer plus a co-trainer for each slot. Wincy informed him that we will ask the volunteers during interviews to see if they are available in those additional slots.
- 24 volunteers applied
- 2 Interviews 6/18 evening. If none or only one works out, additional interviews will be conducted on 6/20

**4. NASA COVID-19 HAM-SAR (295) - Shoreh**

- 20 volunteers worked on this project.
- Sent both the PA and the vols the feedback forms and asked the PA to write a report.
- He just sent an email and said that he would like to start another project for a different state.

**5. NAPSG Tropical Storm Cristobal (294): German/Erin**

- 152 Photos posted
- 26 volunteer contributions ~100 hours
- Tested out the new Experience Builder App with the Admins
- Mission Complete & Web post on the website

**6. NAPSG Wildfire Initial Attack (292): German/Erin**

- Recruitment Complete
- 23 volunteers
- Project in full swing, volunteers are actively coordinating in Slack
- Story Map: <https://arcg.is/1bKS8f>
- Experience Builder:  
<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/d2933dba9fa64df1bddc016825b54e07>

7. **Tanzania Development Trust Mentors: Troy**
  - Three volunteers were chosen and have begun helping out in the Crowd2Map Slack channel. The three volunteers are Sharon Omojah from Kenya, Emmanuel Jolaiya from Nigeria, and Katarina Spasenovic from Italy (originally from Serbia).
  - Will be putting together a web post this week.
8. **PA Resources Council (289): Wincy**
  - Trying to have a pilot version of the map focusing on glass as a sample/demo commodity by the end of June
9. **Bangalore Health Data (286): Wincy**
  - Vol stated that a lot of her work is training-heavy and not too much analysis. Wincy suggested to vol that the PA has little knowledge on analyses, so maybe the vol can explore the data and suggest analyses that could be done instead of waiting on the PA to ask for specific analyses. Wincy also explained that if the vol is uncomfortable with the change of project focus (training vs analyses), she will bring the issue to PA.
10. **Warehouses4Good (285): Troy**
  - Project is progressing.
11. **COVID-19 Lost Loved Ones and stories of Recovery (283) - Shoreh/Konrad**
  - To date, 43 submissions have been validated by the volunteers.
  - Still only one submission to the stories of recoveries app.
12. **COVID-19 Testing Sites (282) - Holly/Erin/Troy**
  - Down to about 30 active participants
  - 9,865 testing sites created so far
  - Data and app both featured on the FEMA COVID-19 Hub (accessed by Federal, State, Local, Tribal, Private Sector and NGO partners). Public view getting a lot more requests now that it's also on California's testing site finder map.
  - 7-day usage
    - Over 3 million requests per day for the REST service
    - 3,863 views per day for the Testing Sites Locator app
  - Messaging:  
<https://drive.google.com/open?id=17cPQsnWPQX9r6ndDSJm8X9gPmBtiercZtknxXK07ADw>
13. **Green World Campaign (281): Konrad**
  - PA not responding. Will send them an email within a week if they do not respond to the last email before then and close the project.
14. **Eyes on the Reef (276): Troy**
  - Arnaud and Lynn are doing well but stuck in Singapore.
  - They have made progress remotely and are excited to get back to Raja Ampat.
15. **NAPSG Admin Team (290): German/Erin**
  - Standing team on call for crowdsource project.
  - No updates
16. **WE CAN Foundation (264): Holly**
  - Closing.
  - Received feedback from volunteer and PA.
  - Working on final report.
17. **Mountain Rescue Association (256, 257, 258, 259, 263): Troy**
  - Jim has taken over the database merging.
  - Erin - Need to wait until the merging of older data to then update the Dashboard. Then a tech transfer would happen.

## 18. HOT Active projects: Troy/German

- Still active:
  - **COVID-19 (284)** - Over 100 tasks (Peru, Mali, Colombia, Philippines, Botswana...)
  - **Typhoon Kammuri (278)** - 6733, 6734, 6735 Still active but low priority
  - **Cyclone Hagibis (277)** - All validation 6980, 6981, 7012, 7013
  - **Ebola (230)** - Many projects
  - **Kerala Floods, India (241)** mapping and validation 6389, 6404, 6923
  - **Cyclone Idai (262)** - validation only - eleven projects
  - **TDT** - highlight good beginner tasks on webpage
- Closed:
  - none

## 19. Tanzania Development Trust (218): Troy

- Constant activity here answering questions as normal.
- Many new people as of late so more new mapper feedback people needed.

## Other business

- **The Protected Area Management Solution (PAM): Shoreh**
  - Fabien sent the fully [executed funding agreement](#).
  - He also said that he is leaving NGS.
  - The latest version of the Charter is [posted here](#).
  - The PAM AGO can be accessed [from here](#).
- **Esri Racial Equity Initiative**
  - Notes:  
<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1Strv6UC8A13RkS5D9kJ6d86Dx85akLgKIGRMOUbKr uY>
- **[Mission Control spreadsheet](#): Holly**
  - No changes.
- **Documentation: Holly**
  - None
- **Website updates: Holly**
  - Added new testimonials and partner logos.
- **Esri UC:**
  - **Kiosk** - Registered
  - **Plenary** - Images submitted (Covid, NAPSG Crowdsourced Photos)
  - **Presentations/Workshops**
    - Wildfire Initial Attack - NAPSG/CEDR/GISCorps (Paul, Rob, German) - recorded audio over Story Map
    - One Shared Story - Bhanu
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- **URISA update - Bryan.** Bryan sent an email on Friday (5/22) with the following content:  
The URISA Board met yesterday (May 21, 2020), below is a section from the minutes related to GISCorps. Please add this to your minutes and records.  
There was a little confusion in the use of the term 'steering committee', we assumed that was the Core Committee – that isn't clear when reading governing documents.

This should clear up the major differences between governing documents identified earlier.

## GISCorps – Committee and Program Consideration

1. The Board agrees to call GISCorps a Program, the definition is from the previous version of the 2013 / 2015 Policy Manual.
  1. Bylaws –
    - a. Programs operate under the auspices of URISA, and are guided by a steering committee, defined vision, mission, goals, budget, and may have a dedicated funding mechanism. The Board may form, as it deems necessary to carry out URISA's mission, programs or other groups to address specific tasks or issues.
    - b. **Vote to approve this definition as included in the Bylaws – Motion (Kim) | Second (Glenn). Motion passes.**
  2. We also consider how volunteers can participate on the Core Committee.
    1. The Policy Manual will be updated to ensure a complimentary membership will be provided to Core Committee Members.
    2. **Vote to approve GISCorps Core Committee members complementary URISA membership to participate for the duration of their term – Motion (Kevin) | Second (Kim). Motion passes.**
  3. GISCorps Program needs to be added to the policy manual with the following:
    1. GISCorps. In October 2003, URISA's Board of Directors unanimously endorsed the GISCorps as a program under URISA's auspices. GISCorps is run by a Core Committee. GISCorps offer volunteers to provide GIS services such as: performing needs assessment and strategic planning, conducting technical workshops, database modeling, disaster management, and remote sensing.
    2. **Vote to approve GISCorps Program to be added into the Policy Manual – Motion (Kevin) | Second (Kim). Motion passes.**

New core committee members are encouraged to read the URISA governing documents at <https://www.urisa.org/board> (bylaws and policy manual). Current members are encouraged to review once a year.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m. EDT

**Next call:** Thursday, July 16, 2020 at noon EDT