

**Kansas Association of Mappers
Executive Board Meeting
November 13, 2003
Kansas Geological Survey - Lawrence, KS**

In attendance: Eileen Battles, Melissa Newton-Blume, Carol Kriebs, Darlene Lister, Kathleen Murphy, Barb Scott, Amber Shultz, Ivan Weichert. Absent: Don Cleveland.

President Ivan Weichert called the meeting to order.

I. Consent Agenda

Item 1 – Minutes & Treasurer’s Report: Amber presented the October 2003 Board Minutes. Darlene presented the Treasurer’s Report for October 2003. The report listed an ending balance of \$12,661.48, with total cash on-hand as \$27,922.07. The CD is valued at \$15,260.59. Rod and Ellen Odom are preparing a report detailing the 2003 Conference income and expenditures. MOTION: Melissa motioned to accept both the October Minutes and the October Treasurer’s Report, Carol seconded: Motion Passed.

Darlene again noted that Kathleen will officially take over as Treasurer on January 1, 2004. ASSIGNMENT: Prior to this date, both Kathleen and Ivan will need to go to Capital Federal Bank and sign new signature cards for the three CDs and the checking account.

Kathleen inquired how the budget reports were generated. Darlene uses her personal copy of Quicken. MOTION: Melissa introduced a motion for KAM to purchase a copy of Quicken Basic, to be no more than \$80.00, for use by the Treasurer, Eileen seconded: Motion Passed. ASSIGNMENT: Kathleen is to purchase Quicken and be reimbursed by KAM. The files will be transferred from Darlene to Kathleen at the beginning of 2004.

II. Committee Reports

Ivan received a list of the Committee chairpersons from Teresa and will email list to the Board. However, to the best of his recollection the following is noted for each Committee:

- A. Administration: Teresa has nothing new to report. The Board recognized that Teresa is doing an excellent job specifically at the Registration Booth.
 - a. Conference Surveys: Teresa also sent the results of the Conference Surveys to Melissa who forwarded them to Judy Palenske. Melissa indicated that the results were positive. ASSIGNMENT: Eileen will put a copy of the survey on the website and an email will be generated to ask people to please complete the on-line survey.
- B. Awards:
- C. Certification: Susan Williams
- D. Education:
- E. History: Judy Palenske
- F. Legislature: Ivan Weichert
- G. Library:
- H. Membership: Steve Daw and Jeff Durand
- I. Nomination: Melissa Newton-Blume. Nothing to report at this time.
- J. Program: Judy Palenske
- K. Publication/Newsletter: Lavinia Ford, from MJ Harden, previously generated the newsletters. Newsletters are published on a seasonal rotation: Spring,

Summer, Fall, and Winter. The Winter Newsletter is due soon. ASSIGNMENT: Ivan will ask Don Cleveland to be Chair of committee and to solicit articles. ASSIGNMENT: Don Cleveland is to check with Ms. Ford and see if she will do the newsletters again. Melissa has articles about the 2003 KAM Conference and the 2003 IAAO Conference.

III. Old Business:

- A. KGISP Designations:
 - a. Ivan was approached with inquiries to whether or not the KGISP was a “designation” or a “certification”. The committee decided, for the sake of consistency, that the KGISP is a designation and the name of the committee responsible for designations is the Certification Committee.
 - b. The KAM Membership Book will not be reprinted at this time to include the KGISP text. Instead, new members will receive a CD of the book. Duanette Baker has the digital copy of the Membership Book. ASSIGNMENT: Ivan will ask Teresa to begin burning CDs to send to new members.
 - c. The issues of the KAM members grandfathered KGISP are smoothing out.
 - d. Graders for subsequent exams will be the Certification Committee and current KGISP designees. These include: B.J. Wooding, Tom Schafer, Rich Lisichenko, Andy Smith, Beau Dealy, Tim Spencer, Rick Miller, and Susan Williams.
 - e. There were also inquiries from KAM members to waive the 1-year waiting period to retake the KGISP exam after a member had previously failed. Ivan suggested that if the Board decides to take this route that all designations must also waive the waiting period since the PKM and KM have set precedence. The Board suggested that the Certification Committee send a recommendation.

IV. New Business:

- A. KAM Grant: Judy Palenske submitted an application for a KAM grant for the 2004 MAGIC Symposium. Ivan had not yet received the application because of email problems. The approval or denial of the application was tabled for the next meeting.
- B. Future Meetings: Future meetings will be held on the 2nd Thursday of the month. However, due to the holiday season, the December meeting will take place via email, and the January meeting will be on the 15th in Ottawa.
- C. KAM Library: There was discussion of the future of the library, and thus the future Library Committee. The Board believes that the library is not often used, but if it were to be disbanded, what would happen to the books? The Board decided to send an email to KAM members and seek opinions if 1) Should the library be disbanded and 2) if so, what should be done with the books? Barb suggested that KAM have a “Book Garage Sale” at the 2004 Conference. Kathleen suggested that the books be used as prizes or awards at the Conference. ASSIGNMENT: Ivan will work with Teresa to generate email.
- D. KAM Web Site: The Board previously decided that DASC will host and maintain the KAM web site. With the renewal of the hosting contract approaching, the site migration should now begin.

- a. A MOU will be generated and signed by both parties. The understanding will be that DASC hosts and maintain the KAM website in exchange for a free booth at the annual conferences.
- b. Migration of the site will begin immediately with tentative rollout in February. Rollout will include a revamping of the current site in terms of content and design. ASSIGNMENT: Eileen and Amber will begin migration.
- c. ASSIGNMENT: Darlene is to contact the current hosting service and notify them that we will be canceling our contract and that they are to not charge Judy Palenske's credit card with additional fees.

Next Meeting: January 15, 2004 – Ottawa. Darlene will email Board with meeting place information.

Meeting was adjourned.