Kansas Association of Mappers Executive Board Meeting  
August 21, 2008  
Grand Prairie Hotel  
Hutchinson, KS

1. Introduction and Opening Remarks  
Darlene Lister called the meeting called to order.  
In attendance: Darlene Lister, Tom Brown, Dan Rose, Bruce Hardesty, Amber Reynolds, Jerry Mentzer  
On TeleCon: Ivan Weichert  
Absent: Deanna Hermreck, Becky Bartley  
Others in attendance: Melissa Crane, Dan Oldehoeft

2. Approval of Minutes from recent Meetings  
Executive Board minutes from the 6/25/08 meeting were presented. Tom Brown moved to approve, Jerry Mentzer seconded motion. Motion passed - June 25, 2008 minutes approved.

2. Past President's Comments  
Tom Brown commented that he has enjoyed his service on the KAM Board. After retirement he still plans to be a member of KAM. No other comments.

3. President Elect's Comments  
Bruce Hardesty had no comments.

4. Directors Comments  
- Becky Bartley: Absent  
- Ivan Weichert: No comment  
- Dan Rose: No comment  
- Jerry Mentzer: No comment

5. Treasurer's Report  

Amber Reynolds also noted that one of the CDs will mature on September 8, 2008. After the CD matures, Amber will close the account and move the deposit to Bank of America.

7. Committee Reports  
- Program: Report Submitted. All planning tasks are on track and the committee is prepared for the September conference.  
- Ambassador: No report  
- Awards: Currently have 6 nominations. Dan Oldehoeft and John Cowen will order awards for the conference.  
- History: No report  
- Membership: No report  
- Education: Melissa Crane submitted a report for the IAAO 600 course (see attached).  
- Nomination: Nominations have been received for all Board positions.
• Certification: No report. The Board inquired about designation testing at the 2008 Conference. Darlene will contact Susan Williams for more information.
• Publication: Revised Summer 2008 Newsletter has been sent to Amber Reynolds for posting on the website. Solicitations underway for the next edition’s articles.
• Legislative/Standards: No current legislation affecting Kansas mappers. Standards development underway for the Kansas Water Utilities, led by the Kansas Water Office. This standard is available at da.state.ks.us/gis. The Parcel Data Standard is in infancy stage.

8. Old Business
• Bylaws Update: Ivan Weichert indicated that there have been no motions to change ByLaws. No action is necessary.
• KAM Membership List Serve: Ivan Weichert and Amber Reynolds are still coordinating with Ken Nelson and Penne Roelfs.
• E-Shopping for Website: Amber Reynolds is researching additional tools.

9. New Business
Invitation to KAM from K-State Flint Hills ESRI Users Group to discuss the KGISP Certification. Darlene will contact Susan Williams of the Certification Committee to see if she can handle this.

10. Next Meeting
Monday, September 29th at 5:30 at the conference hotel.

11. Adjourn
Meeting was adjourned. The Executive Board toured the hotel facility.

*Meeting minutes were recorded by Amber Reynolds.*
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EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We ended up with 12 people signed up for the IAAO 600 class which was held the week of July 14 in Hays Kansas. 8 members and 4 non-members.

The Holiday Inn in Hays allowed us to use a banquet room free of charge and the LCD projector was loaned to us. The only equipment rental was to the hotel for the use of their overhead projector. The lady that I dealt with at the hotel was originally going to charge us $20.00 per day for the projector but she ended up telling me later that the total charge would be $20.00 plus tax for the whole week. However the charge to my American Express card was over $100.00 for equipment rental. They also put some of the students room charges on my credit card but are supposed to straiten all of that out and just charge the $20.00 plus tax. I will submit a request for re-imbursement once they charge the appropriate amount to my card.

The hotel turned out to be a non-desirable location to hold a class. Dennis (the instructor) didn’t say anything about it but here are comments from education committee member Lisa Olson:

I am not sure if Dennis told you or not, the hotel was an absolute nightmare. Of course, he didn’t stay there so it probably wasn’t that bad to him. The actual meeting room was fine except that it was HOT but then, the entire hotel had air conditioning problems. Some of the people had attended a meeting there a few months ago and knew not to stay there. They are remodeling as well. I checked in at 9pm on Sunday and after lugging heavy baggage up and down the stairs four times to attempt a better room with air, (no elevator), I finally had a room at 11pm that was still around 78 degrees. All the hallways felt like 100 degrees so I guess it could have been worse. The rooms looked like they haven’t been renovated since the building was first erected. It was horrible. I am definitely going to send comments to Holiday Inn about this stay. On a nicer note, the girl in charge of Sales/Meetings, Denine, was very pleasant to work with and got us whatever we needed if I asked her. I wouldn't plan any meetings there until after they finish renovating, it just wasn't a pleasant experience overall.

Here is the breakdown of proceeds and expenses.

Registration for 12 students
Proceeds:   $4900

Expenses:
   Books          3000
   Instructor     2000
   Equipment   5000

   $5000
Bottom line is a negative $100.00 plus the projector charge which will probably be around $25.00 with tax.

The class was well received by those students that I spoke with and Dennis received positive evaluations.

All but one of the students passed the class.