

NJSPLS
Board of Directors Meeting
July 10, 2007
Sir John's, North Brunswick, NJ

President Don Pennell called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM. Those in attendance were: President Don Pennell, President-Elect Chip Adamson, Vice President Patrick Fatton, Secretary/Treasurer Stan Hans Jr., Mark Husik, Rona Goldberg, and
Chapter Presidents/Directors/Representatives:
Bergen Passaic: John Richardson, Brad Elam
Central Jersey: John Diessner, Charlie Bell
North Jersey: Nicholas Wunner
Rolling Hills: Randy Sadlon
Metropolitan: Al Faraldi
PLSSJ:
PLSANJ: Fred Czepiga
CSSA: Bill Olbrich
West Jersey: Louis Marchuk, Robert Lee
NJIT Student Chapter: William DiBartolo
Peter Borbas, GIS Committee
Al Faraldi, Legislative Committee
Steven Mazurek, Conference Committee

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved with 2 amendments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Charlie Bell made a motion, seconded by John Diessner to approve the minutes of the May 2007 Board of Directors meeting. The minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Stan Hans made a motion that was seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report that was included in the agenda packet. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Listing of all correspondence included in the Agenda Packet was available for review.

STATE BOARD LIAISON (Rigg): Mark Husik reported that the State Board should be coming back with a report in July on the Topo issue. NJSPLS will be represented at that meeting.

NSPS DELEGATE (Swiderski): No report

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Husik):

1. Articles for the Coordinate have all been received for this issue. He was very pleased with the effort and thanked everyone for their contributions. We will soon be talking about the next issue.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Pennell):

1. GeoCaching – Bruce McKenna will report on this later in the meeting.
2. We are preparing pins for various levels of contributions to the Foundation.

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Adamson): Chip made a motion, seconded by Nick Wunner to approve the 2007-2008 NJSPLS Operating Budget. The motion carried.

CONFERENCE (Mazurek): Some of speakers for SurvCon 08 include Milton Denny, Walter Robillard, Rebecca Somers, and Wendy Lathrop. We are considering offering the conference materials electronically prior to the conference. Info on this will be in Good Points.

GIS/LIS (Borbas):

1. Josh Greenfeld had done a study of GIS activities of all 50 states which stemmed from his work at ACSM conferences. This info is in the ACSM BULLETIN.
2. GLIS (NSPS) has a spot for Affiliate Members. Currently there are no State Affiliates of GLIS. Borbas would like NJSPLS to apply to GLIS to become an Affiliate of GLIS and was seeking our approval. A nominal fee might be involved. Nick Wunner made a motion seconded by John Richardson to request that Peter Borbas send a letter of application to GLIS to become an Affiliate Member. The motion carried.

EDUCATION (Beardslee): No report

TRIGSTAR (Morrison): No report

PUBLIC RELATIONS (Mazurek): Mazurek distributed information on putting together a convention similar to the ones that NJSPLS had in the past to the Bahamas, Aruba, etc. He asked the Directors to discuss this with their chapters to gauge their interest. This started a discussion on other ways to encourage involvement in Society activities: baseball games, fishing trips, dinner cruises, picnics, etc.

WEBSITE (Smith): No report

LEGISLATIVE (Wunner):

1. Landscape Architects bill is out of the Assembly. Adler has sponsored this in the Senate. The Legislature is out of session until after the elections.
2. Discussion on holding a PAC fundraiser in lieu of the September General Membership meeting. After some discussion, it was determined to hold on this for the time being. Lew Conley had suggested a car raffle at the May meeting. More info will be needed on this prior to holding any type of raffle.
3. Bob Morris of CJC reported that he attended the Holzapfel fundraiser last month and had an opportunity to speak with his aide.

RESOLUTIONS/BY LAWS (Park):

1. Discussion on elimination of half-year rates for membership. We have many members who take advantage of this in order to attend the conference at member rates. Mark will check the By laws to determine if this is addressed. If it not addressed, the BOD suggest that it be eliminated.
2. Corresponding Membership will also be reviewed. If any Corresponding Member is licensed in New Jersey, they should be considered a FULL member. Corresponding membership will only be reserved for those out-of-state and NOT licensed in NJ. This will need to be addressed in the By laws.

CHAPTER REPORTS

1. **PLSANJ:** Joint meeting with Bucks Chapter. Don Pennell attended. Chris Zmijewski of Stantec (formerly Vollmer) did a presentation on laser scanning. July is pizza meeting. No meetings in August. September meeting will feature Bruce Blair on Boundary Analysis.

2. **BERGEN PASSAIC-** TrigStar award on May 30. Speaker from Old Republic National Title Agency.
3. **WEST JERSEY:** Joe Scolari spoke on the functions of the Army Corps of Engineers.
4. **NORTH JERSEY:** Kevin Hanna presented his NJIT Student Project Report.
5. **PLSSJ:** Last meeting was devoted to a business meeting. Next meeting is tomorrow which will be a Golf Outing. Chapter is working on trip to St. Michaels for the MSS Crab Feast.
6. **CENTRAL JERSEY:** TrigStar presentation at May meeting. Meeting on 7/26 in Tinton Falls. Looking for help for upcoming Boy Scout Jamboree in Sea Girt in early October. Great PR opportunity.
7. **ROLLING HILLS:** Presentation in June on Gang Awareness. A \$1000 scholarship was awarded.
8. **CSSA:** Chapter hosted a dinner for Scott Boyer for his long tenure as Chapter Treasurer.
9. **METROPOLITAN:** No report
10. **NJIT STUDENT CHAPTER:** Article in Coordinate. Chapter is planning a newsletter in the fall.
11. **GCCC CHAPTER** – No report.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Fred Czepiga would like to send a questionnaire to non-members to determine why they are not members of NJSPLS.
2. GeoCaching Program through ACSM. Bruce McKenna is looking into this.
3. Nick Wunner discussed the Certificate of Merit in a recent court case, wherein a judicial opinion regarding a surveying issue was based upon “expert” testimony from a Professional Engineer. We need to set a meeting with the Bar Association for a presentation on surveying. He also asked if any other members had come across a situation such as this. “Like” professionals need to testify or be an expert on their respective professions.
4. Fred Czepiga inquired if anyone was experiencing any problems with the NJ DOT compliance with the Map Filing Law.
5. Chip Adamson attended the MSS Crab Feast was presented with a contribution from Bob Banzhoff for our Scholarship Foundation.
6. Pete Borbas reported that Dr. Josh Greenfeld is taking a year’s sabbatical. He suggested that we come up with a way to honor Josh for his dedication to the profession and the NJIT program. An annual scholarship was suggested as was a Proclamation. The Scholarship in his name would be the one with the highest amount. This will be referred to the Foundation for their consensus. Peter will work with Mark on the Proclamation.

There being no further business and the agenda having been met, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

RONA GOLDBERG
Associate Director