

Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council

Meeting of August 15, 2019

1. Call to Order

Chair Collin Degueurce (PJA) called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM. A quorum was present. The meeting was held in the Iowa Room of the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

2. Roll Call

A sign-in sheet confirmed attendance.

Member Agencies/Organizations Present:

Department of Agriculture & Forestry (DAF)

Gus Rowland, Member

Department of Education (LDE)

Steve Gunning, Designee

Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

John Sheehan, Member

Department of Health (LDH)

Clay Trachtman, Member

Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

Alvin McDonald, Member

Department of Transportation & Development (DOTD)

Darryl Mack, Member

Department of Wildlife & Fisheries (DWF)

Scott Armand, Designee

Louisiana Assessors Association (LAA)

Louis Hebert, Member

Louisiana Association of Planning and Development Districts (LPDD)

Lynn Dupont, Member

Louisiana Municipal Association (LMA)

Warren Kron, Member

Louisiana National Emergency Number Association (LANENA)

Kathrine Cargo, Member

Louisiana Police Jury Association (PJA)

Collin DeGueurce, Member

Louisiana Secretary of State (SOS)

Fran Harvey Member

Louisiana Senate (Senate)

David Gisclair, Designee

U.S. Geological Survey (USGS)

Chris Cretini, Member

Others Present:

Acadiana Planning Commission

Phillip Breaux

City of New Orleans

Chris Ard

Iberia Parish

Amy Brassieur

Louisiana Association of Planning and Development Districts (LPDD)

Josh Manning

Louisiana Department of Natural Resources

Michael Hankel

Lafourche Parish

Jeffery Luenberger

3. Approval of Minutes

The July 18, 2019, meeting minutes were approved without edits. The motion was made by Kathrine Cargo (LANENA) and seconded by Darryl Mack (DOTD) with unanimous approval. The Digital Data Committee minutes for July 18, 2019, were approved without edits. The motion was made by Warren Kron (LMA) and seconded by John Sheehan (DEQ) with unanimous approval.

4. Chair's Report:

Chairman Collin Degueurce (PJA) announced that the Geospatial Maturity Assessment survey had been completed and returned to the National States Geographic Information Council (NSGIC). Mr. Degueurce (PJA) reported that both Terrebonne and East Baton Rouge parishes had submitted local address data to the National Address Database (NAD). Mr. Degueurce (PJA) mentioned that information regarding changes to the North American Datum (NAD83) reference frames to a new North American-Pacific Geopotential Datum of 2022 (NAPGD2022) can be found at the NOAA website, <http://geodesy.noaa.gov>.

5. Digital Data Committee Report:

Warren Kron (LMA) reported that the committee discussed challenges with loading data into the minimum schema. Collin Degueurce (PJA) announced that 80% of Terrebonne Parish address data discrepancies with DOTD data have been identified. East Baton Rouge Parish attributes have been verified with geometry to be reviewed next. Phillip Breaux is working with Vermillion Parish address data to begin reviewing for discrepancies as well. The committee reaffirmed the need to finish the guidance document and to develop a workflow document. Mr. Kron (LMA) announced that the Digital Data Committee would begin moving forward with developing a minimum schema for addresses beginning next month.

6. Presentation:

Roanoke Valley, VA. Collaboration using portal for ArcGIS by Mr. Greg Hymel, GIS, Inc.

7. Old Business:

Chris Cretini (USGS) reported on attending the Council of Geographic Names Authorities (COGNA) meeting in Baton Rouge last week. The Council (COGNA) deliberated over name proposals submitted from around the country. Mr. Cretini (USGS) discussed the process for how features are assigned names, and mentioned that the Council (COGNA) was featured in a documentary on Netflix, after which the number of proposals increased. Louisiana received one of the proposals. Mr. Cretini (USGS) also mentioned that the Geographic Names Information System (GNIS) tracks variances in names over time. David Gisclair (Senate) and John Sheehan (DEQ) discussed the names maintained by Wildlife & Fisheries (DWF) during the response to the BP oil spill.

Kathrine Cargo (LANENA) mentioned the URISA GIS-Pro conference is in New Orleans, LA, September 28 through October 2, 2019, at the Hilton Riverside. Registration is available online at <http://urisa.org/gis-pro>.

8. New Business:

Kathrine Cargo (LANENA) mentioned that she and Fran Harvey (SOS) are putting together a grades K-12 poster showcase, along with educational sessions, to promote Geographic Information Systems (GIS) to students. Ms. Cargo (LANENA) asked those present for contact information of any other schools that would be interested in participating.

Lynn Dupont (LPDD) announced that LAURISA will be hosting an ArcGIS Pro workshop Wednesday, August 28, 2019, at the Regional Planning Commission (RPC) in New Orleans, LA.

9. Next Meeting – 1:30 PM on Thursday, September 19, 2019, in the Iowa Room (1-153) of the Claiborne State Office Building in downtown Baton Rouge.

10. Adjourn – David Gisclair (Senate) moved to adjourn. This motion was seconded by Kathrine Cargo (LANENA) and was unanimously approved. The meeting ended at 2:16 PM.