

# **American Association for Geodetic Surveying**

*Board of Directors*

*Monthly Meeting Minutes*

*Wednesday, December 08, 2021*

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## I. Open meeting, President

A. The Board of Directors meeting was called to order by AAGS President Dave Zilkoski at 16:19.

B. AAGS President Dave Zilkoski also called the roll.

### 1. Present:

President: Dave Zilkoski

President-Elect: Tony Cavell

Vice-President (Director 3rd year): John Hamilton

Immediate Past President: Dan Gillins

Director (2nd year): Bob Burtch

Director (1st year): Eugene Levin

AAGS/NSPS Liaison: Jacob Heck

### 2. Absent:

Treasurer: Dan Martin

Secretary: Dan Roman

Communications and Geodetic Certification: Thomas Meyer

SaLIS Editor: Ahmed Elaksher

Reporter (Association editor): Ronnie Taylor

Parliamentarian: Steve Briggs

3. At least two directors were present as well as a quorum; therefore, the meeting was authorized.

## II. Agenda

A. Upon a call for additions, the AAGS BOD agenda was accepted as distributed December 08.

## III. Minutes

A. The November 10 AAGS Board Meeting Minutes final draft was accepted as distributed November 16.

## IV. Review of Last Month's Action Items and Important Business

A. Membership committee's recommendation to extend the Board meeting by 30 minutes to include a short presentation by an AAGS member (Martin).

1. The meeting extension for presentation is to be scheduled quarterly (rather than monthly), to gauge interest, starting February 2022.
2. The initial 30-minute presentation will be about what geodesy will look like in the next ten years.
3. 30-minute presentations will be free to AAGS members, charge a fee to non-members, and free once or twice to NSPS members.
4. All are welcome, but individuals wanting to hear the presentation should request to be invited, so that AAGS has their contact info, to send membership applications thereafter.

5. Speakers invited to present include Dan Gillins, Dru Smith, Dan Roman.
  6. Action Item: The Membership Subcommittee for Communications will work together to compile a list of topics and presenters for the Board's review and comment.
- B. Zilkoski talked to GeoLearn's Joe Paiva, who stated that he is interested in partnering with AAGS to develop videos for AAGS members.
1. Paiva will charge for video production, but provide whole system and processing.
  2. Cavell asked whether GeoLearn would also use AAGS-produced content.
- C. AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR GEODETIC SURVEYING INC trademark registration (Roman).
1. Action Item: Zilkoski will check whether anything needs to be done to maintain AAGS trademark registration.
- D. AAGS can become a formal sponsor of the UESI Surveying and Geomatics Conference 2022 (Meyer)
1. The AAGS Board previously passed a motion to sponsor the UESI Surveying and Geomatics Conference 2022 at the silver level (\$2500. See November Board Meeting Minutes.
  2. No further updates.
- E. AAGS active participation to support UESI 2023 as a joint event with FIG Working Week 2023 in Orlando, Florida. (Zilkoski)
1. Zilkoski talked to John Hohol about getting AAGS involved with the working week. The discussion included AAGS members organizing sessions and presentations, members staffing an AAGS booth, and AAGS website and newsletters advertising the working week.
  2. Zilkoski recommended setting up a time to discuss with Hohol. Heck counter suggested that Hohol be invited to a Board meeting. Cavell and Heck will meet soon by phone.
- V. Treasurer's Report (Martin)
- A. No updates to report.
- VI. Surveying and Land Information Science
- A. SaLIS Ex-Comm (Meyer)
    1. No updates to report.
  - B. SaLIS editor (Elaksher)
    1. No updates to report.
- VII. Committees
- A. Communications (Meyer)
    1. No updates to report.
  - B. Membership committee (Zilkoski)
    1. No updates to report.
  - C. Geodetic Certification Committee (Meyer)
    1. Cavell reviewed Geodetic Certification questions produced by Meyer, and provided feedback.
    2. Cavell suggested that there be two levels of certification, such that more advanced questions be incorporated in a program for advanced certification.

3. Cavell recommended that certification be awardable on the basis of exam score, without requiring participation in a specific course.

## VIII. Liaisons

### A. NSPS (Heck)

1. NGS NSPS AAGS Quarterly meeting held Friday, December 10 at 1pm.
  - NSPS mgmt changes in January 2022, as Curt Sumner hands the reins to a new leader – an opportunity for AAGS to make a good new beginning.
  - NSPS leadership had requested that AAGS postpone adjusting the list of services provided by NSPS until after the beginning of 2022.
  - Action Item: The Membership committee will prepare a short report in preparation for the meeting with NSPS leadership after the first of the year.
  - Heck will return a phone call from Hohol.
  - The agu.org list of organizational partners includes “ACSM” but not “AAGS”. Zilkoski will find out how to fix that.
  - Heck has been nominated for VP of NSPS Young Surveyors, which will get AAGS more involved.

### B. COGO (Cavell)

1. *Cavell is looking for a replacement COGO delegate/primary representative. Please let him know if you are interested.*
2. Jay Doody, PS, PE, of Connecticut Association of Land Surveyors. Inc., is currently the likely candidate to replace Cavell as delegate/representative. More details will be available in a future meeting.
3. No further update.

### C. ASPRS (Burtch)

1. The ASPRS Annual Conference 2022 will be held in two parts.<sup>1</sup>
  - A live, in-person, face-to-face ASPRS Annual Conference will be held as part of Geo Week 2022, in Denver, CO, February 6-8, 2022. It will not be broadcast or recorded.  
*The Call for Abstracts for Geo Week in Denver is now closed to new submissions.*
  - An ASPRS Virtual Technical Program will be held online, March 21-25, 2022.  
This will be a live webinar event consisting of oral presentations, panel discussions, and an online poster gallery. This event will be recorded and made available on-demand.  
*The Call for Abstracts for the Virtual Program remains open until February 15, 2022.*
2. Photogrammetric Engineering and Remote Sensing (PE&RS) is seeking submissions for a special issue on AI-Based Environmental Monitoring with UAV Systems.

### D. UESI (Dennis)

1. No updates to report.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://my.asprs.org/2022conference>

IX. New Business and Announcements

A. Thanks to Dave Zilkoski for a year of distinguished leadership.

X. Upcoming Meetings

A. The next meeting of the AAGS BOD is scheduled for Wednesday, January 12 @ 4:00 PM Eastern.

B. The next meeting of the AAGS Membership Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, January 26 @ 4:00 PM Eastern.

*Suggested Future Board meetings are shown below. If a sufficient number of Board members express conflict with a specific date, the meeting may be rescheduled or cancelled.*

AAGS Board	AAGS Membership Committee
January 12, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern	January 26, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern
February 09, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern	February 23, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern
March 09, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern	March 23, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern
April 13, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern	April 27, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern
May 11, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern	May 25, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern
June 08, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern	June 22, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern
July 13, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern	July 27, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern
August 10, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern	August 24, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern
September 14, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern	September 28, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern
October 12, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern	October 26, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern
November 09, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern	November 30, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern
December 14, 2022 @ 4:00 PM Eastern	

XI. For the Good of the Order

A. Upon invitation, AAGS Director Bob Burtch read:

*“For the Good of the Order, the AAGS Board gives the President and Treasurer the authority to carry out the day to day activities of the AAGS until the next Board Meeting.”*

XII. Meeting Adjourned

A. AAGS President Zilkoski adjourned the meeting at 17:07.

Respectfully submitted,

Elisabeth Rollins

Acting Recorder

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