



**School of Engineering
Department of Geomatics**

**GEOMATICS Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2009**

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Location: Commons 106

Time: 8:00 – 10:00

Present: Paul Brooks, Don Davis, Jr., Angela Parsons, Tony Follett, Isaiah Ditmer,
Susan Dickerson, Gennady Gienko, Tom Knox, Kimball Forrest, John
Bean, Nathan Wardwell, John Oswald, Bill Hazelton
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1. Welcome – Paul Brooks
2. Introduction of Bill Hazelton
3. Approval of the agenda
4. Board Terms – Paul
 - Chair and Vice chair are two year positions.
5. Fall Enrollment – Don
 - Enrollment dropped due to the Civil Engineering department changing course sequencing.
 - UAA needs to evaluate enrollments on a larger scale for an accurate reflection of performance.
 - Don expressed a continual need for adjunct.
6. Angela –
 - Asked for input about Statewide Digital Mapping.
 - Craig Sever from USGS has asked to be a part of the advisory board meeting.
 - She verbally gave invitations to the ArcUser Group meeting for the 3rd Wed. of next month.
 - She proposed outreach to older children for GIS day.
 - She asked for input from the new faculty on the GINA program.
She nor UAA has direct involvement in a statewide approach to GINA.
 - Tony will contact Bud about GINA.

7. Trust Accounts– Don
 - Al Talcott has 21,000. ASPLS, ASPRS just committed 2,000 each. The funds will be used for student competitions, faculty conferences, and other various needs.
 - Three scholarships exist:
 - a. Henderson – 2,000
 - b. Morris P Oswald – 2,000
 - c. TopCon – 500
 John Oswald asked about the need for development of more scholarships. Don covered the specifics of scholarship protocol and that faculty has been placed over specific scholarships. Bill offered input from his experience for comparison.
8. Mission Statement – Don
 - Don speaks about future plans for the department including changes in AAS, BS degrees and possibilities of graduate school.
 - Don reviewed ALS licensing direction.
 - Don called for involvement from board members and outside sources for direction for the department – see appendix.
 - Paul called for volunteers for a working group. Volunteers are;
 - i. Paul Brooks
 - ii. Craig Seaver
 - iii. Tom Knox
 - iv. Tony Follett
 - v. John Oswald
 - vi. Mission Statement – Don
9. Trimble Agreement - John
 - There was a gentlemen's agreement previously which he and Bill are now undertaking to formalize.
 - Trimble reps are anxious to continue talks and want a wish list submitted to them. They are looking forward to a written agreement
 - Tony suggested including software into the agreement
10. GIS Day – Don
 - The hope is to bring back GIS day.
11. Short Courses
 - A suggestion was made to have them on-line
12. AELS – Don
 - Don will find out information about AELS
13. K -12 – John
 - Susan gave a review of last Spring
 - John gave plan for moving forward
14. Girdwood – John
 - John gave a recap of how Geomatics is involved with a Civil engineering project

- John would like to see involvement with high school students as well.

15. New Business – Paul

- ACSM – GSA's involvement; Isaiah talked changing format. Tom Knox volunteered to help with speakers.

16. Next meeting will be held at ASMC

Meeting adjourned.