

Wisconsin Land Information Association

2008 Conference Committee

Minutes

November 1, 2007 – Blue Harbor Resort - Sheboygan

Present: Ann Barrett, Jodi Helgeson, Jason Grueneberg, Michelle Yanda, Mike Koutnik, Kelly Felton, Ken Pabich, Terry Woodman, Kristen Anderson, Fred Halfen, and Tim Lehman

The meeting was called to order at 4:15 PM – everyone was e-mailed the Assigned Task document as well as the last conference minutes

I. General Items

Reminder that next newsletter deadline is December 31 and the newsletter will be the last before the conference.

Preliminary program will need to go out early December.

Jodi is awaiting bio's from Ron Langhelm and Molly Mangan.

II. Conference committee tasks:

Session Submittal: Session submittal is now closed. Still have a few that have indicated that they will submit but haven't received as of yet. Accept/reject notices will go out with accept letters having guidelines for submitting presentation for DVD. Still do not have the DVD presentation submittal resolved. Will discuss with WLIA board tomorrow.

Moderators: Nothing new to report at this time.

Exhibits: Exhibitor prospectus has gone out. Encourage your vendors to participate. It was noted that the breakout sessions are not an opportunity to "sell" a product as that is the purpose of the vendor exhibit.

Silent Auction: Ken Pabich has volunteered to administer the Silent Auction with the assistance of Ann and Chris. The silent auction will be dedicated to Damon Anderson's memory this year with the proceeds going to the newly named Damon Anderson Scholarship(s). Location of silent auction will be further inside of exhibit hall due to congestion at entrance. Suggested to post winners instead of announcing them.

Game Night: Jon has asked Ann to update game night flyer from last year. Will go out with exhibitor information after prospectus is out.

Student Volunteers: Melissa will be sending out a call for volunteers before the winter break and then again a followup after winter break.

Audio/Visual: Nothing new to report at this time.

Poster Contest: Poster submissions are still being accepted through website. It was suggested that poster team sends out reminder for poster submissions before winter break and again followup after winter break to include students.

Social Night: Yerkes is reserved for evening event. Facility cost is \$100 for evening which is just a tour and maybe some night sky viewing if the weather is right. Bus will take participants. Although the ideal group size is 35, it was suggested to work with the bus capacity as a limit to the size. Sports event is still in progress as Ann is attempting to negotiate a better cost for facility. It still is anticipated that food and beverages will be at the sports complex. Kristen is also working on team events. Sponsor opportunities are available.

Workshops: Team has 3 full day workshops and 7 half day with possibility of more. Keys to Coaching Employees, Introduction to Using GPS, Basics of ArcObjects, Using AutoCad Map, Introduction to Autodesk Civil 3D, Enterprise Management with ArcGIS Server 9.2,

ArcGIS Server 9.2 Web Applications and Services, National Hydrography Dataset Applications Workshop, Mobile GIS are confirmed.

Conference Outreach: When preliminary program is finished, it will be important for the outreach group to follow up with various organizations pointing out tracks that are relevant to them.

Photographers: Nothing new to report.

Awards: Committee will solicit for awards soon.

Sponsors: Committee team members were reminded to solicit their vendors for sponsorship for the conference. Ann handed out sponsor opportunities during registration. Social event was included.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM

Next meeting date will sometime early January by conference call or sooner if needed.