Kentucky Association of Mapping Professionals
Education Committee Meeting
3 March 2011

The Education Committee of the Kentucky Association of Mapping Professionals (KAMP), met on 03-09-11, at 1:30 pm EST, by teleconference. The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Demetrio Zourarakis.

AGENDA
- Roll call
- Introductions
- Committee and officers charge solicitation (Demetrio)
- Plan of action for the Committee in 2011 (ALL)
- Next KAMP Q2 meeting – Sometime in May in Western KY – Committee representation (ALL)
- GIS Conference ideas (ALL)
- Next meeting (ALL)
- Adjourn

ATTENDEES
- Laura Moore, JCPS
- Christy Powell, NKAPC
- Mark Wiljanen, CPE
- Ryan Kelly, BCTC
- Kyle Snyder, NKAPC
- Karla Andrew, WKU
- Demetrio Zourarakis, DGI

Following roll call and introductions, the Chair announced that Michelle Ellington had a conflicting appointment and she could not make it this time.

On mentioning the latest developments regarding the new exam requirement toward GISP status, Laura Moore indicated she was a member of the GISCI’s Ethics Committee.

A discussion ensued dealing with certification, certificates, and training to support KAMP members certification interest. Ryan Kelly inquired with reference to a “statewide” certification or certificate, with possible endorsement from KAMP.

Several Committee members (Christy and Mark) discussed the GISP program being recognized by KAMP at some point in the last couple years. Mark claimed that the KAMP Executive Board officially recognized the GISP certification, not at the Annual meeting, but at a subsequent meeting.

Ryan Kelly suggested a “How to prepare yourself for Esri Certification” workshop.

Demetrio mentioned the idea of a survey on training/educational needs of the membership, similar to what Kyle Snyder had designed before.

A motion was made by Ryan Kelly and seconded by Laura Moore to task Kyle Snyder with creating a survey. He would draft and solicit 10 questions for a survey to the distributed to the membership.

As part of new business, Laura Moore indicated that there is a threat to continuity of GIS programs at the K-12 level because of perceived funding cuts to existing programs at KDE. As a follow up, Mark Wiljanen inquired about specifics.

Demetrio indicated that white papers or position papers were one way to made KAMP’s collective view and thinking known to the community-of-interest – no official white paper had been produced recently.

When Demetrio mentioned the issue of Committee charge, the members reiterated that perhaps because of the work that was being done in revamping the Constitution and Bylaws, he should come up with a draft.

Laura Moore motioned to adjourn and Kyle seconded it.

Demetrio Zourarakis (DGI), Chair