

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE
ARIZONA GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION COUNCIL
JULY 31, 2024**

A public meeting of the Arizona Geographic Information Council was convened at 10:00 AM on July 31, 2024, on Google Meets and in-person at the Maricopa Association of Governments, Chaparral Room, 302 North 1st Ave #300, Phoenix, AZ 85003. Present at the meeting were the following members or designees of the Arizona Geographic Information Council:

Table 1: AGIC Officers

Name	Agency/Company	Attendance
Chair, Patrick Whiteford	Arizona Department of Transportation	Yes
Past Chair, Kevin Blake	Yavapai County	Yes
Vice Chair, Lucas Murray	Arizona Dept of Economic Security	Yes
Treasurer, Howard Ward	Retired	No, excused
Secretary: Phillip Leveille	Maricopa County Assessor's Office	No, excused

Table 2: AGIC Board Members

Name	Agency/Company	Attendance
Jack Avis	Pima County	No
Christian Black	United States Air Force	No, excused
Bill Boyd	AZ Dept of Forestry and Fire Mgmt	Yes
Mark Christiano	United States Forest Service	No, excused
Nicole Eiden	Arizona Dept of Health Services	Yes
Deborah Glogoff	City of Yuma	Yes
Jason Howard	Maricopa Association of Governments	Yes
Ericka Huston	AZ Dept of Emerg & Military Affairs	Yes
Shiloh Johnson	Maricopa County OET	Yes
Keith Larson	USDA NRCS	Yes
Shea Lemar	Arizona State University	Yes
Christopher Lukinbeal	University of Arizona	Yes

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Name	Agency/Company	Attendance
James Meyer	Arizona Department of Transportation	Yes
Julie Mikolajczyk	Arizona Dept of Environmental Quality	Yes
Veronica Nixon	Arizona Dept of Water Resources	No, excused
Phil Ponce	Engineering Mapping Solutions	Yes
Eric Shreve	City of Goodyear	Yes
Leslie Stovall	Gila River Indian Community	Yes
Gene Trobia	Arizona State University	Yes
Steve Whitney	Pima County ITD GIS	Yes

Table 3: Public at Large

Name	Agency/Company	Attendance
Ryan Johnson	Arizona State Land Department	Yes
Sage Donaldson	Arizona Department of Transportation	Yes
Kasey Green	Arizona State Land Department	Yes
Brian Bond	Yavapai County	Yes
Kelly Green	City of Cottonwood	Yes
Andrew Larson	Esri	Yes

Recording of the meeting is available at the following web address. Note that the minute that each item occurs in the agenda is noted in red text.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cC2lvUgGag8Jxg8HilfV458WU7Hwyw4K/view?usp=sharing>

I. Call to Order:

Patrick Whiteford called the meeting to order at 10:03 am. Roll call was taken.

The public should place their name in the chat if they wish to speak to the board when called upon and / or be listed as public members in attendance.

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II. Announcements: (04:20)

The Symposium website is live. Registration is open, the maps and apps contest is open and a draft agenda is posted.

III. Approval of Minutes: (5:22)

A motion to approve the May 2024 meeting minutes was made by Kevin Blake and seconded by Lucas Murray. There was no discussion. A vote was held, and the motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

IV. Budget Update: (6:00)

Lucas Murray, reviewed the budget report provided to the Council prior to the meeting, updated to July 1, 2024, including the encumbrance for the NSGIC membership.

Motion: Approval of Moving Conference Funds

Steve Whitney motioned to approve moving \$46,235.76 from the AGIC Conference fund to the AGIC General. Gene Trobia seconded. A vote was held, and the motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

V. ASLD Updates: (11:30)

- A. Ryan reported that the State Land Commissioner had a positive meeting with him and the AGIC Officers. Patrick reported that it was a good meeting and the commissioner is fully supportive of AGIC and AZGeo. Lucas credits the commissioner and Ryan with the recent movement we have gotten from Boards and Commissions on getting board members addressed.
- B. The deputy state cartographer position has been posted and they will do a review of the applications soon.
- C. ALSD is waiting on direction from the governor's office on the Title 33 letter (letter in support for APLS updates to statutes). This topic is scheduled to be discussed at an upcoming meeting so he hopes for action soon.

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VI. Items from the Chair (Patrick Whiteford):

- A. AGIC Vice-Chair Nominations **(14:30)**
 - a. AGIC Vice-Chair nominations are open through November 1st. Nominations will be considered during the elections at the November 7th Council meeting. Patrick highly encourages nominations, it is a very important and valuable position.
- B. AGOL School Competition Results **(15:56)**
 - a. This was a national competition and one of the winners was an Arizona student - Nina Raju of Catalina Foothills HS. We are hoping the winner will be able to attend the AGIC Symposium this year.
- C. Esri UC Takeaways **(16:52)**
 - a. Phil Ponce said that Experience Builder is coming together well. Also there are fewer silos at Esri and the different technical groups are working together well. Ryan Johnson agreed with that statement and he also sees Esri moving more online.
- D. Council Roster | Boards and Commissions update **(21:25)**
 - a. There is a new process for Boards and Commissions that involves interviews. Patrick, Lucas, and Kevin have been doing outreach to fill our vacancies and would love input from the board members. AGIC has 23 current appointments and 12 vacancies. There are three new members: Bill Boyd, Deborah Glogoff, Ericka Hudson.
- E. Statewide Data Updates **(23:08)**
 - a. Imagery Program - Patrick reported that they are making adjustments to SOW and things are moving along well. Entities will pool funding to support the acquisition of imagery on off years.
 - b. Tribal Outreach - Patrick and Leslie are working together on tribal outreach and will report more in the future.
- F. Esri Master Purchase Agreement Update **(24.39)** - Ryan reported that the State Procurement Office is leading this activity. They will put out a full RFP to provide Esri software and perhaps GIS services. When that RFP is

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completed it will be shared in a variety of ways including via AGIC. The current agreement was extended through December and can be extended again if need be. With the user type changes be sure that you are working with your account manager to get what you need.

- G. AZGeo **(26.40)** - Ryan reported that
 - a. AGIC and ASLD are working to get more historic imagery available.
 - b. The AZGeo server was upgraded with more memory and CPU so you should have seen improved performance.
 - c. They will be upgrading to 11.3 and will be increasing the security profile of the server.
- H. NAIP 2023 Delivery Status **(28.08)** - Keith Larson reported that there are some challenges at the federal level obtaining hard drives to deliver the data but he is working with Ryan and ASLD to address the issue. Ryan reported that he has been speaking with someone in Arizona who has the point cloud data and is working on getting that. In addition, ASLD has ordered a hard drive from the USDA to get the imagery.
- I. NSGIC Update **(30.29)**
 - a. The NSGIC Annual Meeting will be held in San Antonio September 22-27. Patrick, Lucas, and Kevin will be attending. Patrick and Lucas plan to present work being done in Arizona through AZGeo.

VII. AGIC Symposium Update (31:50)

Steve Whitney reported there are currently 179 registrants for the symposium and 15 exhibitors with more in process. The agenda is on the website, there have been 8 student scholarships awarded and 1 Women in GIS scholarship. They expect more maps and apps entries and will also highlight the work of the student winner. He asked that people volunteer to work at the registration desk and announced that the conference logo and t-shirt are finalized.

VIII. Committee / Workgroup Highlights

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Lucas Murray informed the council about the activities of the AGIC Committees and Workgroups - detailed information can be found in the AGIC Council Meeting presentation.

A. Admin & Legal Committee (35:25)

- a. The online Organizational chart has been updated with new members
- b. Lucas plans to schedule an optional training on meeting facilitation and open meeting law basics

B. AZGeo Advisory Committee (36:17)

- a. Updated AZGeo statistics were provided
- b. They are creating new categories to help improve data discoverability and a survey will be sent to users to gather their feedback
- c. They will be working with the Outreach committee on AZGeo branding and marketing campaign
- d. The new AZCORS website is live

C. Data Committee (38:29)

- a. A full statewide parcel base is available to anyone in the government group on AZGeo. It is still being tested by the 911 office before wider distribution to other State agencies.
- b. The Imagery Workgroup is finalizing a Request for Proposal (RFP) for statewide imagery
- c. Jack Avis, APLS, reports 50+ new coordinate systems and one statewide system have been developed by the SPCS 2022 WG over the past two years and all should be approved by the end of the year.

D. Emerging Technologies and Remote Sensing Committee (39:38)

- a. Their first meeting was in June and they are planning to meet quarterly
- b. They are planning workshop in Spring 2025 in partnership with Natural Resource and Outreach Committees

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E. Natural Resources Committee (40:27)

- a. They will be hosting a panel discussion at the 2024 AGIC Symposium that focuses on using drones to detect invasive species
- b. They created a workgroup to review the Natural Resources Hub Site
- c. They are planning a spring workshop in 2025 in partnership with Emerging Technologies and Outreach Committees

F. Outreach Committee (40:43)

- a. They released the AGIC Quarter 3 newsletter on July 1st.
- b. The May 4th, multi-city AGIC Social Event was a success. Each location reported their highest attendance yet
- c. Brandon Barnett is moving out of state so the social media postings will decrease and some activities will pause. Social media will focus on general announcements and committee meeting posts

G. Public Safety Committee (42:02)

- a. ADOA 9-1-1 Office and 1Spatial have implemented a Statewide parcel append tool which is available to the AZGeo government group. Some data have already been created and will be updated each quarter. The next update is scheduled for the end of September.
- b. The committee expected to meet all goals and objectives soon and they plan to discuss sunsetting the committee at the end of the year

H. Special Interest Committee (43:00)

- a. This committee is working with the other new committees to determine if it is still needed.

I. Action Items

- a. Action Item 1: Outreach Committee and NCGE Motion (43:41)

A motion to approve \$425 for Outreach to send one person to the National Council for Geographic Education Conference was made by Patrick Whiteford and seconded by Shiloh Johnson. Shea Lemar

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suggested that AGIC should also engage the Arizona Geographic Alliance since they are the leader in Arizona at K-12 geography education. A vote was held, and the motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

A. Action 2: Funds for Spring Summit

Motion **(47:43)**

A motion to allow the Natural Resources and Emerging Technologies Committees to use up to \$10,000 in funds from AGIC Conference budget to finance special interest event with the expectation that of returning those funds via event revenue was made by Steve Whitney and seconded by Shiloh Johnson. Ryan Johnson asked that someone from the Council be in contact with ASLD about contingency planning for any event that is planned. Shea Lemar asked there be a not to exceed limit so the original motion was amended to include that language. A vote was held, and the motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.

IX. Facilitated Discussion (57:24)

The AGIC Officers wanted to get the Council's input on Trends in GIS. Patrick led a discussion and utilized menti.com to get additional input. The most popular options were AI/machine learning, data management/data governance, data visualization, and indoor mapping. Many members discussed their work in those areas. There was a question about committees that can support work in the trends. There was a short discussion on how AGIC can support the trends. There was a discussion on risks associated with the trends and subject matter experts.

X. Comments / Requests for Topics in future meetings (1:32:00)

Patrick shared that the next council meeting will be November 7, 2024, planned to be hybrid at Maricopa Association of Governments.

XI. Call to the public (1:32:40)

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Patrick issued a call to the public if there was anyone who registered to address the council and received no response.

XII. Adjourn (1:33:30)

Without objection, Patrick Whiteford adjourned the meeting at 11:35am.