

**Wyoming Geospatial Organization (WyGEO)**  
**Business Meeting Minutes**  
**Afton, WY**  
**May 16, 2019 @ 12:30pm**

**Board Members Present (7):**

Karen Rogers – WyGEO President, Wyoming Game and Fish Department, Staff Policy Analyst  
Jalynda Mckay – WyGEO Vice President, University of Wyoming  
Katrina Patton – WyGEO SW Region Director, Southeast Community College, GIS Instructor  
Jordan Evans – WyGEO SE Region Director, Cheyenne/Laramie County GIS Coop, Director  
Jason Boucher – WyGEO NE Region Director, Wood Group, Geomatics Specialist  
Brett Governanti – WyGEO Director at Large, City of Casper  
Renee Hardy – WyGEO Treasurer, City of Casper

**Board Members Absent (2):**

Joy Hill – WyGEO Secretary, Big Horn County, Land Planner/GIS Manager  
Brian Clarkson – WyGEO NW Director, T-O Engineers

**Professional Members Present (14)**

Steve Shivers	Destry Dearden
Jeff Jensen	Gary Welling
Peter Gill	Denise Jensen
Teal Wyckoff	John Woodward
Howard Williams	Sarah Hutchings
Utana Dye	Nicholas Case
Patti Umplett	Jenny Kruger

**I. Meeting Called to Order**

Karen Rogers, WyGEO President, called the meeting to order at 12:37pm.

**II. Treasurer's Report to the Membership**

- A. Current balance \$34,607.07
  - 1. One expense for speaker lodging, Spring meeting
  - 2. Additional expenses for spring meeting will be forthcoming (food, speaker stipend)
- B. 58 paid members, no change since last meeting

**III. Old Business**

**a. Overview of the joint conference in Douglas with WYOPASS**

- i. Attendance: Approximately
- ii. Budget:
- iii. Feedback from membership

#### **IV. New Business**

##### **a. Election**

- i. Will be coming up this fall
- ii. Positions coming up
  1. President
  2. Secretary
  3. SW Director
  4. NE Director

##### **b. 2019 Scholarships**

- i. Will open up another application period this fall

##### **c. Conference Planning**

###### **i. Fall 2019 Meeting - Gillette, WY**

1. Planning has begun for the fall meeting October 9 - 11
2. Training in the works:
  - a. Migrating to ArcPro
  - b. Test prep for UAV
  - c. Lidar workshop
3. What other training would be beneficial to you, either this fall or in the future?
  - a. More advanced Esri training
    - i. Utility Network Analyst
  - b. Field data collection
  - c. GNSS
  - d. Open Source (esp. PostGRES)

###### **ii. Spring 2020 Joint Conference with GISCO - Steamboat Springs, CO**

1. May 13 - 15, 2020 in Steamboat Springs

###### **iii. Fall 2020 Joint Conference with PLSW in Casper, WY**

1. Dates TBD
2. American Public Works Association (APWA) Rocky Mountain Chapter

###### **iv. Other Future Conference Partnerships discussed**

1. NGO's Fall 2021
  - a. The Wildlife Society, The Nature Conservancy, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Jackson Hole Land Trust, Wyoming Stockgrowers Land Trust, etc.

##### **d. Strategic Planning discussion/update**

###### **i. [Current Bylaws](#)**

1. Current purpose statement: The purpose of this organization is to engage all members of the geospatial community and foster a cooperative environment for the exchange of ideas, expertise, and technology to promote, support and enhance the use of geospatial information within the State of Wyoming.
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- ii. Karen's experience with [NSGIC strategic planning](#) effort
  - 1. Suggest shift from strategy as a planning effort to strategy as a learning process
  - 2. Updated purpose statement: NSGIC exists to advance effective state-led geospatial coordination for the nation.
- iii. What value does WyGEO currently bring?
- iv. What value are we missing to deliver?
- v. What can or should we do differently?
  - 1. Outreach with Wyoming Engineering Society, find other ways to partner with the private sector.
  - 2. Make a point of inviting small businesses and their affiliates
- vi. Next steps with education outreach?

#### **V. Business Meeting Adjourned**

Business meeting postponed at 1:03pm. Resumed at 4:15pm and adjourned at 5:00pm.