

NACIS SPRING BOARD MEETING

APRIL 22, 2000

HAMPTON INN O'HARE

CHICAGO, IL

Attendees: Gordon Kennedy, John Krygier, Sona Andrews, Chris Baruth, Cindy Brewer,

Charlie Frye, Donna Schenstrom, Jeff Baldwin, Dennis McClendon,

Jeremy Crampton, Tom Patterson, Martin von Wyss, Janet Mersey,

Paige Andrew

Absent: Ren Vasiliev, Susan Peschel

President Tom Patterson brought the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

1. Approval of Board and Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the October 1999 Board and Business meetings were distributed by Secretary Paige Andrew and reviewed for changes and additions.

It was moved and seconded that all of the minutes be approved with changes, unanimously approved.

2. President's Report (Tom Patterson)

Tom summarized his written President's Report as published in *Cartographic Perspectives*, No. 34, Fall 1999. He touched on three major topics relating to NACIS and its strength as an organization; the Annual Meetings, our journal *Cartographic Perspectives* and the NACIS website.

3. Executive Director's Report (Chris Baruth)

A. Plans for NACIS 2000 in Knoxville, Tennessee

Chris reviewed a set of email questions from the Knoxville local arrangements person, Jim Minton with the group. Chris will get back to Jim with replies for specifics on Saturday workshops and tours, a proposed Thursday night riverboat event, and other details.

B. Update for NACIS 2001 in Portland, Oregon

Deferred this topic until the Vice President's Report

C. 2002 Annual Meeting Site selection

Board members discussed four sites for the 2002 meeting, Baltimore, Newport and Providence, Rhode Island, and Columbus, Ohio. Sona moved that the Board investigate Newport, Providence, and Columbus as possible sites and a report be given at the Annual Meeting in October. Dennis McClendon seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

D. Membership

A "lapsed members" document was handed out by Chris showing members who had not renewed by April 15th. He asked everyone to review and contact individuals each Board member knows.

Chris handed out "NACIS Membership and Subscriptions" and reported on the findings.

Overall we are in good shape compared to the previous two years and it is expected that we will maintain our membership level or increase it slightly this year. Chris also reviewed the steps involved in the membership renewal process from the Exec. Board's perspective.

1. Treasurer's Report (Sona Andrews)

Sona handed out four documents -- the Treasurer Report for 1999 and 2000 (one document each), the projected budget for NACIS XX (Knoxville), and the 2001 Proposed Budget. All documents were reviewed by the Board. Sona noted a projected deficit in the 2001 Proposed Budget, based primarily on rising publication costs for CP. [Summary: the two treasurer's reports and the Knoxville budget were approved unanimously without change; the 2001 Proposed Budget was approved unanimously with adjustments to CP costs overall and because of one issue being printed in color]

Motion: That the Board accept all four Treasurer's documents with the 2001 Proposed Budget amended to show changes to the costs of numbers 38, 39, and 40 of *Cartographic Perspectives*. Motion approved unanimously.

2. Vice President's Report (Jeremy Crampton)

A. Jeremy reviewed Jim Minton's email with local arrangements questions to the Board. He also reviewed the categories listed in the "Call for Papers" for the upcoming Annual Meeting, denoting new or changed areas of interest.

B. Knoxville Pre-Conference Proposal

Jeremy reviewed the "ICA Symposium on Maps and the Internet" document that was sent to him by Michael Peterson, explaining the intent of the symposium and the logistics involved. Board members had several questions in regards to logistics, including site location (Univ. of Tennessee or conference hotel?), whether a lunch would be provided, possible Internet/computer fees, and whether or not to build the cost into NACIS registration or charge separately upfront to NACIS attendees who also want to attend the Symposium. The Board recommended that Jeremy get answers to all of these questions and report back no later than the end of June, 2000 for a final vote on whether NACIS should be included in the symposium or not.

C. Report on 2001 Annual Conference in Portland, Oregon

Gordon Kennedy handed out a written outline showing Local Arrangements Committee progress and detailed current plans for the Portland meeting and reported that all is progressing well. Gordon asked that all Board members enthusiastically provide public support for the Portland conference to the NACIS members so that we can ensure good turnout at this West Coast location.

1. 20th Anniversary Event (Donna Schenstrom)

Board members reviewed a document, "N2X Special Activities", that contained lists of ideas for both special events and commemorative "gifts" to NACIS members. The Board reviewed these and a couple of events came to the forefront: (1) having President Patterson write to all attendees of the first NACIS Annual Meeting inviting them to attend and be specially recognized for this accomplishment and (2)

having a Poster Session display that includes a history of NACIS using a photo compilation of some kind, all issues of *Cartographic Perspectives*, important textual documents, etc. mounted in the Exhibit Hall at the Annual Conference. Donna and Tom will work on getting these two activities put in place.

Motion: That a \$1000 budget for no more than two commemorative "gifts" be allotted, one of which will have "20th Anniversary" on the logo and the second without a "20th Anniversary" designation; to be given to all attendees of the Knoxville conference in October, 2000. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Cartographic Perspectives Report (Jeremy Crampton)

"Report from the Editor, Cartographic Perspectives, presented to the NACIS Board, Spring Meeting 2000" by Michael Peterson was distributed for discussion.

A. Book Review Column

There are continuing problems with volunteer reviewers not following through with sending reviews to Book Review Editor Joanne Perry. Ideas for changing or overcoming this situation were discussed.

Motion: That a "books received" column be created and used in conjunction with, or to substitute for the Book Review column when necessary but the Book Review column be retained and the BR Editor continue to try to garner reviewers for specific titles received, and that we also invite members to write in-depth literary book essays. Motion was approved unanimously.

B. New CP Editor

Jeremy announced that Scott Freunds Schuh has applied for the position of Editor of *Cartographic Perspectives* and that all eleven CP Editors and Editorial Board members approved his becoming the new editor. The Board reviewed his resume and publication experiences as part of Michael's report.

It was moved that Scott Freunds Schuh be accepted as the new CP Editor, the motion passed unanimously.

C. Cover art for CP Numbers 36 and 37

Jeremy circulated upcoming editions of CP, numbers 34 and 35, so that the Board could see the cover art for each volume. Based on the excellent designs for these issues Cindy Brewer volunteered to talk to Steven Holloway about doing two more covers for CP that would complete the issues for the year 2000. Cindy will report back to the Board via email as to the outcome of her conversation(s) with Steven.

D. "Terms of Editorship" Document

Sona A. moved that the current Editor of CP, Michael Peterson, provide the Board with a draft of a "Terms of Editorship" document so that the incoming Editor and the Board are in agreement with how the journal's business is conducted. After discussion the motion was approved unanimously.

1. Past President's Report (Cindy Brewer)

Cindy introduced candidates for Officer's Positions and solicited nominees for the Board:

Nominees for Officers' Positions

Jim Meachem -- Vice President/President

Susan Peschel -- Treasurer

Nominees for Board Positions

Steven Holloway, Trudy Suchan, Mark Harrower, Alex Tait, Janine Shonta, Anne Gibson, Jim Robb, Jeff McMichael, Jenny Marie Johnson, Leo Dillon

Nominees for Student Board Positions

Eric Steiner, Andrew Milroy

The Board accepted the slate of nominees.

2. Website Committee Report (Jeremy C.)

Committee members include Jeremy Crampton, Tom Patterson, and Chris Baruth.

A. Current Usage

Although Jeremy reported that we are getting "many hits" he did not have actual numbers with him. [Jeremy emailed the Board members on April 25th with this information, indicating that as of Jan. 1, 2000 we are averaging 280 hits/day. He also included information in this email about audience, the most popular material retrieved from the site, and where "people come from in order of frequency", identified by URL addresses.]

B. New Design

Jeremy went online to show the Board a mockup of a brand new design, including new sets of links. Minor adjustments/changes were suggested. Included were:

Martin von Wyss volunteered to mount selected articles from CP and is willing to serve as Web Editor if Mark Harrower does not want to do this task and the Board recommended that the new Webpage go up as soon as possible. Jeremy asked that all Board members review the new page once it is mounted and continue to give him feedback as to changes needed or suggested improvements.

C. Plans for Additional Content

**** Add abstracts to the Table of Contents for CP numbers 23 to date**

**** Add subtitle to the *Cartographic Perspectives* link on the page**

Jeremy moved that Mark Harrower's Website redesign be approved, with thanks, and that it be mounted as soon as possible. The motion was approved unanimously.

1. Student Web Map Contest Committee Report (Charlie Frye)

A. Webpage updated

The webpage for the contest has been updated and an advertisement has been placed in issue numbers 34 (Fall 1999) and 35 (Winter 2000) of *Cartographic Perspectives*. The same individuals who judged last year's entries will serve as judges this year.

B. Award Certificate

Tom Patterson is creating a certificate to go to contest winners along with the cash award.

1. Other Business

A. Tom P. is working with the editors of the ACSM *Bulletin* and *Cartographic Perspectives* about placing reciprocal 1/2-page ads in each publication for each organization's map contest.

B. Generic "New Member Letter" -- Tom worked with Susan Peschel recently on a draft of a new member letter and they have put it into final form for use.

C. Outside mailings policy -- Chris B. shared how mailing labels are printed based on

Membership status. Members can elect to have their name removed from the mailing list at any time by contacting Chris. The Board discussed the impact of sharing our mailing list with other organizations and/or companies as a way of raising money.

Jeremy C. moved and Sona A. seconded that: At the discretion of the President NACIS may sell printed mailing labels at \$.25 per label in appropriate circumstances. Motion was approved with one abstention.

D. Travel cost reimbursement for attending the Spring Board meeting -- no change

E. NACIS representatives to Cartographic Users Advisory Committee (CUAC) -- following discussion the Board appointed Dan Seldin for a 2-year term and Paul Stout for a 3-year term to CUAC as NACIS' representatives with the stipulation that they report formally to the Board CUAC issues impacting the organization and current/future issues under discussion.

F. Reduced conference registration fees for retirees -- The Board declined to reduce the registration fee for this group of NACIS members.

G. Reduced conference registration fees for others:

Moved and seconded that the Program Planner has the discretion to waive registration fees for no more than three program speakers, the banquet speaker, and the opening session speaker. Motion approved with 12 yea and 1 no vote.

Moved and seconded that registration fees will be waived for students who volunteer to provide a minimum of six hours of service during the conference. Motion approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5 p.m.

Submitted by,

Paige Andrew

Secretary

**NACIS BOARD MEETING
OCT. 11, 2000
KNOXVILLE HILTON
KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE**

Attendees: Gordon Kennedy, John Krygier, Sona Andrews, Chris Baruth, Susan Peschel,

**Ren Vasiliev, Donna Schenstrom, Jeff Baldwin, Dennis McClendon,
Cindy Brewer, Jeremy Crampton, Tom Patterson, Martin von Wyss,
Janet Mersey, Jim Anderson, Charlie Frye, Paige Andrew, Mike Peterson
Jim Meacham**

Guests: Jim Minton, Will Fontanez, Joseph Poracsky

President Tom Patterson opened the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

A. Approval of Minutes from Spring Board Meeting

Secretary **Andrew** handed out copies of the April 22, 2000 Spring Board Meeting minutes and asked for additions and changes. No changes were announced.

Motion: Moved and seconded that the minutes be accepted without change. Unanimously approved.

B. NACIS 2001 Update (Meacham, Poracsky, Kennedy)

1. The Doubletree Hotel contract is done and on file.
2. The Banquet Speaker will be Stuart Allen of Allen Cartography (Raven Maps)
3. Possible field trips include: Oregon Historical Society's map collection, Columbia River Gorge trip, Willamette Valley wineries, drive to Pacific Ocean (Astoria?), downtown Portland walking tour
4. Potential Thursday night activity: visit to Powells Book Store (looking into who might be there for a book reading), microbrewery dinner/tour
5. Potential Opening Reception speakers: Carl Abbot, Tom Harvey, Mike Hauck, Scott Burns

Also discussed doing a joint conference with the Western Association of Map Librarians (WAML) in some form since they will be doing their Fall Meeting. **Joe Poracsky** has already spoken to the President of WAML about the potential for doing this. Various formats were discussed. **Patterson** formed an Ad

Hoc Committee to further investigate this possibility, members include: **Kennedy, Meacham, Poracsky,** and **Andrew,** who will work with **Peschel** in terms of accommodations/finances involved.

C. Executive Director's Report (Baruth)

1. NACIS 2000: 170 preregistered for this meeting, which is a record attendance. Jim Minton was recognized for "getting the word out" to local agencies, which had a positive impact on this year's attendance. Of the 170 registered, 72 are new/first time attendees. Only minor hotel reservation problems denoted.
2. **Minton** reported on specifics of presentation room arrangements/equipment, Riverboat Cruise details, and field trips/workshop details.
3. Election Results:

Vice President/President-Elect: **Jim Meacham**

Treasurer: **Susan Peschel**

Student Board Member: **Erik Steiner**

Other Board Members: **Jenny Marie Johnson, Trudy Suchan, Alex Tait, Jeannine Schonta**

4. NACIS Membership: **Baruth** handed out a "Membership Summary Statistics" and reviewed. As of this meeting membership is up from 436 in 1999 to 461, so a steady rise in membership continues. A list of "1999 NACIS Members not Renewing 2000 Memberships" was also reviewed and discussed, Board members were encouraged to contact individuals they know personally on this list and invite them to renew their memberships.

D. Cartographic Perspectives Report (Peterson and Anderson)

1. **C.P. 36**: this will be done as a color issue, 100 pages, and is currently at the printers. Will be mailed in the next 4-6 weeks. **Peterson** discussed concern about having to reject up to approximately 40% of submissions (both "out of hand" and those after undergoing review). This is the opposite problem from just 3-4 years ago when it was difficult to keep enough proposed articles in the stream. Also discussed, with input from **Anderson**, were options for getting pagination back to around 75 pages in order to keep costs down; options include moving some columns and/or brief articles into an electronic form of the journal, probably on the NACIS website. **Anderson** said that he is willing to experiment with the layout and typography of CP in order to reduce CP costs through publication design revisions. Board members affirmed that to explore how a re-design of the typography and layout could reduce the number of pages while not reducing any of the current content would be worthwhile and asked **Anderson** to follow through on this action. This would allow both the CP Board and NACIS Board some alternatives to consider about the layout of CP on paper media before moving into electronic options.
2. Upcoming Schedule:
C.P. 37: Articles will be from the Pre-Conference Symposium on "Maps on the Internet", due out early 2001 and this will be **Peterson's** last issue as Editor of C.P.
C.P. 38: First issue under Editorship of **Scott Freunds Schuh**
3. Best Paper Award: **Peterson** announced that the C.P. Board will choose an award winner at their meeting on Oct. 12th, the best paper will be announced at Friday's Banquet.

E. Vice President's Report (Crampton)

Reported on the number of each of the different sessions at this year's conference and a scheduling change, programs will start at 8:00 a.m. this year so that Board members can attend Wednesday and Friday afternoon sessions.

F. NACIS XX Events (Schenstrom)

1. Founding NACIS attendees are denoted by the green and silver ribbons they are wearing on their badges. Nine of the 63 NACIS members attending the first conference are present at this one.
2. There is an exhibit in the Poster Session hall highlighting all of the NACIS President's.
3. Commemorative gifts will be handed out at both the Luncheon and Friday's Banquet. Other little gifts will be handed out at random throughout the conference.

4. A "Retro Carto" exhibit will be on display at the Hospitality Suite throughout the conference.

G. Treasurer's Report (Andrews)

1. NACIS 2000, Knoxville: we will have another profitable meeting this year.
2. "Treasurer's Report 2000": **Andrews** noted *Cartographic Perspectives* costs versus dues received, overall balance will go down once the remaining expenses are paid out for the year.
3. "2001 Proposed Budget": discussed, accepted without amendment.

H. NACIS 2002 Site (Patterson and Krygier)

1. **Patterson** looked into overall costs and local amenities for Providence, R.I. during the summer and rejected this proposed site based on high hotel costs and lack of specific local amenities such as the need for lab space for Saturday workshops.
2. **Krygier** handed out a list of Columbus and Columbus-area possible sites with specific information for each, as well as a flyer for the Adam's Mark Hotel of Columbus. Discussed all options presented and based on this decided that downtown Columbus would be the best possible location. **Krygier** agreed to be the local arrangements person, he will recruit one or two other volunteers from nearby schools/agencies.

Motion: That Columbus, Ohio be tentatively approved as the 2002 NACIS Conference site pending the outcome of further hotel costs/room arrangements by **Baruth**. Unanimously approved.

I. Web Map Contest (Frye)

There were 17 entries this year, up from previous years. Entries transcend static maps completely as most are interactive and/or include motion of different types. Almost all were submitted by undergraduate students and the quality is extremely high. The Web Map Contest Committee will meet tomorrow (October 12, 2000) to decide the winners. New this year is a smaller award for runners-up. Winners and runners-up will be announced at the Banquet Friday night and a short portion of each individual's entry will be shown as well.

J. Website Committee Report (Crampton)

Deferred to Friday's Board meeting.

K. Other Items

1. NACIS lapel pins: After several years since the last pin was designed and sold to the membership **Schenstrom** reported on costs for producing a pin based on the new NACIS logo. Approximate cost per 100 would be \$6 - \$7.

Motion: Moved that 200 lapel pins be ordered to be sold beginning with the NACIS 2001 conference on a cost-recovery basis. Motion approved unanimously.

2. Departing Board Members (**Patterson**)

Patterson announced the current Board members whose last meeting was this one and asked that all give a round of applause to thank them for their dedicated service and commitment to NACIS. Outgoing members include **Frye, McClendon, Andrews, Kennedy, Vasiliev, Brewer**.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paige Andrew
Secretary, NACIS

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 12, 2000
NORTH AMERICAN CARTOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SOCIETY
XX ANNUAL MEETING
KNOXVILLE HILTON HOTEL, KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

President Tom Patterson opened the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

Patterson and **Sona Andrews** made conference-related announcements.

A. President's Report (Patterson)

1. 2002 NACIS Conference Site: The Board set a tentative site of Columbus, Ohio for the 2002 conference pending final cost estimates from the Executive Board. A final vote will be taken by the Board in the next few weeks.
2. Election Results: **Patterson** announced this year's election results as follows:

For Vice President/President-Elect: Jim Meacham

For Treasurer: Susan Peschel

For Board Member: Jenny Marie Johnson, Alex Tait, Jeannine Schonta, Trudy Suchan

For Student Board Member: Erik Steiner from Pennsylvania State University

Patterson invited nominations for **Vice President/President-Elect**, **Secretary**, and **Executive Board** positions from the membership for the coming year's elections.

B. Treasurer's Report (Sona Andrews)

Reviewed the documents "Treasurer's Report 2000" and "2001 Proposed Budget". No questions or changes received.

C. Cartographic Perspectives Report (Michael Peterson)

Cartographic Perspectives has become widely known and respected in the cartographic community as evidenced by a constant stream of article submissions to the Editor versus the opposite problem of not enough submissions just a few years ago. **Peterson** reported on the timetable for the next two issues of C.P., and that **C.P. 36** is a color issue which should be in member's hands within 4-6 weeks. He also announced that **C.P. 37** will be his last issue as Editor and will be available in early 2001, and that **Scott Freunds Schuh** will begin his tenure as Editor of *Cartographic Perspectives* with the **C.P. 38** issue.

Joanne Perry, Book Review Editor for *Cartographic Perspectives*, announced that she is still waiting for review submissions from the Milwaukee conference of two years ago and would like those turned in as soon as possible. She also asked for a volunteer to review the brand new "Barrington Atlas of the Greek and Roman World", **Jenny Marie Johnson** quickly agreed to tackle this project. **Perry** also announced the availability of the new edition of the "Directory of Canadian Map Libraries" and that she is taking orders at the conference.

D. Executive Director's Report (Chris Baruth)

Baruth thanked **Susan Peschel** and **Sona Andrews** for their ongoing capable and timely support behind the scenes that always ensures that we have a successful NACIS conference.

He also announced that we have gained approximately 100 new members in the past year, but that we also always have a large group of individuals who annually do not renew. Even though we have gained a net total of about 80 new members it is in our best interest that we continue to try to get past members to renew their memberships as well as to seek out new members. In the vein of reaching out to former members to get them to renew membership in NACIS **Peschel** and **Andrews** once again organized a postcard writing campaign and each person attending the Business Meeting was instructed to write a brief message on two pre-addressed postcards at their table inviting the individuals to re-join NACIS and come to the 2001 conference in Portland, Oregon.

E. Other Business (Patterson)

The luncheon and Business Meeting was concluded with a raffle for prizes donated by the Tennessee Geography Alliance. The raffle was run by **Will Fontanez** and four lucky individuals walked away with atlases, maps, and software.

Patterson concluded the Business Meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paige Andrew,
Secretary, NACIS

NACIS BOARD MEETING
OCT. 13, 2000
KNOXVILLE HILTON
KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

Attendees: *John Krygier, Chris Baruth, Susan Peschel, Donna Schenstrom, Jeff Baldwin, Erik Steiner, Scott Freundschuh, Jeremy Crampton, Tom Patterson, Martin von Wyss, Janet Mersey, Jim Anderson, Paige Andrew, Michael Peterson, Jim Meacham, Jenny Marie Johnson, Alex Tait, Jeannine Schonta, Trudy Suchan*

Guest: *Jim Minton*

President Jeremy Crampton opened the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

A. New Board Members (Crampton)

President **Crampton** welcomed new incoming Board members at this meeting and lead a round of introductions around the table.

Crampton also formally recognized **Jim Minton** and those who assisted him with local arrangements, which made this conference run extremely smoothly and praised the choices of field trips and workshop locations as well as all other conference amenities.

Minton received a round of applause from the Board.

Minton recognized **Will Fontanez** and his wife Becky, and **Chris Pelton** for their contributions towards making this a very successful conference.

B. Call for Nominations (Patterson)

Patterson took verbal nominations from Board members for V.P./President-Elect, Secretary, and Board member positions. He will be making contacts in the coming weeks and would appreciate further nominations.

C. NACIS 2002/2003 (Crampton)

1. Columbus, Ohio: a final vote will be done by email once Executive Director **Baruth** has confirmed hotel room rates and availability of rooms and meeting spaces and shared this information with the Board.
2. NACIS 2003 Sites: **Crampton** opened the floor for suggestions of meeting sites for the 2003 conference. A long list of potential sites brought forth included Victoria, B.C., Duluth, Minn., a northeastern U.S. location, Baltimore, Atlanta, Trinidad, Lancaster, Pa., Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, and Quebec City. After further discussion individuals agreed to make further contacts for the following sites:
Duluth (**Freundschuh**)
Baltimore (**Tait**)
Victoria, B.C. (**Andrew**)
Lancaster, Pa. (**Schonta**)

D. Cartographic Perspectives Board Report (Peterson and Anderson)

1. **Peterson** reported that 80 individuals attended the pre-conference symposium, which was very successful, and that papers for **C.P. 37** will come from this symposium. Members of the Executive Office were thanked for their valuable assistance in organizing this meeting.
2. The C.P. Board met earlier in the day and reviewed the suggestions that came from the October 11th Board meeting as to keeping expenses down, including cutting back on pagination, having color used in multiple issues but in limited amount, and changing the layout format. **Andrew** suggested looking at the

model that the Western Association of Map Libraries has been used for their *Information Bulletin* the past few years in which an electronic "News and Notes" version is mounted on WAML's website and an email announcement sent out to all members while the paper journal contains full articles and selected announcements. Discussion ensued around the potential for moving to an electronic publication, in full or in part, and other suggestions were taken. The C.P. Board accepted suggestions but reiterated that at the previous Board meeting it was agreed to use this next year to see how changes of pagination and layout, along with tighter article review policies, will impact the overall costs of the journal.

Motion: That the last issue of *Cartographic Perspectives* be placed online once the current issue is published, keeping only one issue online at a time and in a PDF format for easy retrieval, and that after one year the Board review the impact of having an online issue upon *Cartographic Perspective's* overall health and use. A hand vote was taken with the following results:

In favor: 7

Opposed: 6

Abstentions: 1

Vote in favor carried the motion. As each issue of **C.P.** is published and in the hands of NACIS members the previous issue will be placed on the NACIS website. **Steiner** volunteered to assist webmaster **Mark Harrower** with the mechanics of getting this accomplished and keeping this part of the website up-to-date.

3. Transition to New Journal Editor: **Peterson** announced that **C.P. 37** would be his final issue as Editor and that **Freundschuh** will become Editor with **C.P. 38**. **Peterson** reviewed details of the document he wrote, "Organization of the Editorship and Role and Duties of the Editor" for C.P., especially looking at length of service detailed in the document. He recommended that an Editor's tenure should be no longer than 4 years, based on his personal experience, in that after that length of service the individual typically is ready to step down. Following questions and brief discussion the document was accepted and will be placed in the NACIS archives as well as mounted on the website with no changes.

Scott Freundschuh was welcomed by the Board as the incoming Editor of C.P. and he announced that he already has three submissions accepted for **C.P. 38**. He looks forward to his service in this capacity and working closely with the Board in future directions for *Cartographic Perspectives*.

Motion: Moved that the Board formally recognize **Michael Peterson's** nine years as both a member of the C.P. Editorial Board and Editor, thanking him with a round of applause for his excellent and longstanding service to NACIS in these capacities. Motion approved unanimously.

E. Spring 2001 Board Meeting (Crampton)

Crampton lead a discussion about meeting details for the upcoming Spring Board meeting. After discussion it was decided to meet at a hotel near the O'Hare Airport again in Chicago, **Baruth** will scout out better accommodations than last year's. **Crampton** suggested meeting on either April 21st or 28th, he will poll the Board members via email to set a final date.

F. Status of NACIS 2000 Meeting (Crampton)

Crampton reported, with verification from **Peschel** and **Baruth**, that this is the best attended NACIS meeting ever with an approximate turnout of 190 attendees. **Peschel** will have final figures compiled within a couple of weeks and will report this out to the Board. Only minor problems were encountered during the conference and each were quickly resolved, making this a very, very well organized and smoothly run conference.

Schenstrom announced that a member inquired about publishing a list of attendees. After discussion it was agreed that a list of attendees could be made available, if possible and probably via the NACIS website, from the Executive Board in the future.

The Board also discussed the positive impact of the pre-conference "Maps on the Internet" symposium and whether or not to continue to pursue such offerings in the future. **Meacham** reminded the Board that we are currently discussing the possibility of sharing the 2001 Portland conference with the Western Association of Map Libraries (WAML) so that the earliest we could look at another pre-conference situation might be 2002. The Board agreed to keep an open mind about future sharing of either joint meetings with other similar organizations or pre-conference functions.

G. Website Committee Report (Crampton)

Five documents relating to the NACIS website were dispersed and **Crampton** reviewed each with the Board. The website is doing well and content continues to be added. **Johnson** and **Andrew** both reported difficulty in finding minutes to previous Board meetings on the site and that perhaps these should be moved from the "Upcoming Meetings" section to either the "NACIS Community" section or to a separately-established section for Society documentation of all kinds. **Crampton** took this suggestion but reminded everyone that **Mark Harrower** is our webmaster and that if changes/corrections are needed to please contact **Harrower** directly.

H. Other Business (Crampton)

Crampton asked for any further business for the Board's attention.

1. **Baruth** reported that now is the time to begin looking for a new Executive Director as he intends to step down upon the completion of his current term in 2002. He would like to initiate a "training" process for the next individual in this role so that NACIS can have a smooth transition. **Patterson** announced that he has had a discussion with a potential NACIS member about the position of Executive Director and that the individual is contemplating being nominated for this position. **Patterson** also announced that he and **Cindy Brewer** have discussed the possibility of the two of them serving as Co-Executive Directors. More information on this issue will be forthcoming in the near future.
2. **Schenstrom** said she had an inquiry about NACIS having a "Lifetime Member" membership status.
3. **Tait** asked about the ability of NACIS to match job hunters to employers at the annual conference and suggested the possibility of having a job bulletin board. Discussion ensued. Another suggestion was to create a space at the "NACIS Community" location on the website. The Board took these ideas under consideration. **Von Wyss** volunteered to create a webpage specifically for employment possibilities and send them to **Harrower** to mount on the NACIS homepage.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paige Andrew
Secretary, NACIS