NACIS 2014: December Board Meeting - Skype
Wednesday, December 3, 2014, 5pm Eastern.

Summary of Tasks identified from the Skype Meeting
Synthesis of activities and tasks identified during the meeting for follow-up consideration and/or completion

General
- All board members think about Sponsorship of Conference Activities, we will be discussing at the SBM. Send ideas to Alex.
- Anthony: start looking into Continuing Education Credits for discussion at SBM

Awards Committee
- Have a meeting in December to discuss budgets for awards
- Have a meeting in January to discuss the revamping of the various awards and grants.

Communications & Outreach Committee
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Continuity Committee
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Finance Committee
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Membership Benefits Committee
- follow up on Membership Benefit offers
- Get New NACIS member packet completed

Nominations Committee
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Publications
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Atlas of Design Committee
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Local Arrangements/NACIS 2015
- Amy and Susan: start discussing the financial aspects of rolling PCD into main conference.
- Board: give thought to feelings on increasing the number of tracks. Send any thoughts or ideas to Amy, Anthony, and Alex.

Cartographic Perspectives

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CartoTalk

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Board Composition:

Executive Leadership
Tanya Buckingham | Executive Director-Annual Meeting Operations (term expires 1/2016) *(regrets)*
Susan Peschel | Business Operations (un-termed)
Daniel Huffman | Executive Director-Operations (term expires 1/2019)

Officers
Nathaniel Kelso | Past President (term expires 10/2015) *(Regrets)*
Alex Tait | President (term expires 10/2015)
Amy Griffin | Vice President & Program Chair Minneapolis (term expires 10/2015)
Anthony Robinson | VP-Elect (term expires 10/2015)
Jenny Marie Johnson | Treasurer (term expires 10/2016) *(regrets)*
Martha Bostwick | Secretary (term expires 10/2015)

Board of Directors (returning)
Mamata Akella (term expires 10/2015) *(regrets)*
Maggie Smith (term expires 10/2015) *(regrets)*
Andy Woodruff (term expires 10/2015)

Board of Directors (newly elected)
Lauren Tierney | Student Board Member (term expires 10/2015)
Nat Case (term expires 10/2016)
Kristen Grady (term expires 10/2016)
Alethea Steingisser (term expires 10/2016)

Ex-officio Members
Patrick Kennelly | Editor of Cartographic Perspectives *(regrets)*
Hans van der Maarel | Editor of CartoTalk *(regrets)*

Meeting opened at 5:01pm Eastern
- Minutes Recorded by Martha Bostwick
- [Agenda](#)

Welcome | *Alex*
Alex:
-welcome to call
-general goals for the year are:
       -successful meeting in Minneapolis 2015
       -revamping awards/refresh/review - Alethea and Leo volunteered to spearhead
       -Alethea: meeting on agenda in next couple of months to get this discussed
-re-tweaking of website, some things to help Susan manage membership and registrations better
-Rough Annual Schedule
       - late Jan or early Feb Board Meeting (CALL)
       - Spring Board Meeting (SBM) (Sat April 18, Milwaukee)
       - June Board Meeting (CALL)
       - August Board Meeting (CALL)
       - Minneapolis Board Meeting (at annual mtg - usually Tuesday PM)
       - Annual Business Meeting (at annual mtg - Thursday lunch)
       - Minneapolis Board Meeting (at annual mtg - usually Friday noon)
-please let Alex know ASAP if April 18 doesn't work for SBM for you
-June & August calls to help conference plan, and update initiatives happening throughout the year
-emphasized importance of SBM for new members

Minutes Approval | *Martha*
-Alex: we need to approve the minutes from the two board meetings held in Pittsburgh. There are a couple of items to clarify first
-Martha: Daniel had a question on the statement Susan made that "numbers were weird".
-Amy (per chat log): Maybe she meant that the numbers were hard to compare between this year and past years.
General Discussion: let it stand, doesn't need clarifying.
-Martha: In discussion CP, someone asked if we could jump issue numbers. Anyone know who said that?
-Alex: we can have the minutes read Anonymous.
-Alex: Does anyone want to make a motion to approve?
-Amy: I move that we approve the meeting minutes from the Tuesday Oct 6 board meeting.
-Alethea: 2nd that motion
-Alex: All in favour type 'Aye', all against type 'Nay', anyone abstaining?
-(board typed their vote into the Skype chat window) All Aye, no Nay. Motion Passed.
-Alex: next is approval of the Friday board meeting minutes.
-Martha: Lou made mention of another meeting, I'm not sure if he said ABM or AAG?
General Discussion and Skype Chat: consensus is it probably was ABM, Daniel doesn't think he was at AAG.
-Martha: Someone suggested we post the minimum criteria for hotel space on the Portal, any idea who that was? (Nobody remembers, so will be marked as 'Anonymous/Unknown')
-Alex: Can we have someone make a motion to approve?

-Alethea: I move that we approve the minutes of the Friday Oct 10 Board meeting.
-Amy: I second that motion.
-Alex: All in favour type 'Aye', all against type 'Nay', anyone abstaining?
-(board typed their vote into the Skype chat window) All Aye, no Nay. Motion Passed.

Potential New Initiatives, items for SBM | *Alex*
-Alex: There have been some ideas that have come up about Sponsorship of conference activities to help defray rising costs? Afternoon coffee breaks, etc.
-Alex: Wants to hold on Sponsorship until SBM. Thinks that it is a big enough topic that it needs thorough discussion. Send ideas to Alex to discuss.
-Alex: The other topic was Continuing Education Credits. Anthony, can you speak on this, as to who has requested it, or what exactly they want?
-Anthony: He doesn't have background as he had to leave the last meeting early. But he will look into how other conferences have done CEC
-Alex: Great. Can he get an email discussion started about it, so we have discussion pre-SBM.
-Anthony: Sure. Immediate thoughts are there might be ways to get GISP people involved, but he will look into it.
-Susan: Someone had made request prior to 2014 conference. Criteria online somewhere?
-Amy: Some employers give credit to employees for PCD for training. This came up in survey this year.
-Anthony: His gut feeling is that PCD would be easier to accredit in some way, since it's so clearly practical/trade oriented.
-Martha: Will look into where she has seen a conference email mentioning these, for another conf.
Alex: Lets get discussion going in email before SBM. All discussions should go through Anthony.

Pittsburgh Meeting Feedback| *Amy & Anthony*
  ● Survey results, https://pennstate.qualtrics.com/CP/Report.php?RP=RP_5hSXr5XLVqNA9E1 (password: nacis)
  ● PCD survey results: http://www.taitmaps.com/temp/PCD_2014_Survey_Report.pdf
-Anthony: General news is people are happy with conference. We learned about how people hear about us: mostly it's from previous years attendance, 2nd most common is word of mouth.
-Amy (over Skype chat): response rate for main survey was 51%
-Anthony: Overall, attendees were very satisfied , 1 person wasn't satisfied out of the 146
-Anthony:
        -Q#4 - meeting schedule: mostly agreeing with schedule, not a lot of support for adding lightning talks, like session length, people agree there is enough time for networking, mixed opinion on banquet, Q&A time had mixed response, lightning talks had a lot of 'meh' responses, etc.
        -lots of feedback - look at survey for details
        -Q#6 - paper program & digital - people want both types of schedules
        -Sched app - vast majority of feedback was positive
        -Q#9 - types of presentations requested: top two responses were cartographic practice and cartographic research, mixed feedback on expert panels
        -Q#11 - most people agree that cost is worth it - 93% of respondees agree
-Anthony: Some suggestions worth checking out, some not so much. There was mention of room sharing. Anthony looked into how other organizations handle this. In his opinion, there is way too much liability involved in room sharing. He doesn't think we should touch that - leave it to people to organize

themselves on CartoTalk.

-Amy: Make sure there is a Carto Talk thread for Room Sharing, and point people to it.

-Anthony: Q#13 - most are very likely to attend again - most reasons for not attending are things out of our control (babies, work budgets, etc).

-Anthony: Overall, he doesn't feel there is much negative feedback that he thinks we need to respond to

-Alex: Looks like there are a lot of smaller items that Anthony and Amy can look over when planning for Minneapolis and beyond

-Amy: She has made a lot of smaller item notes, but in terms of big things to think about:

      -She thinks there is merit to adding PCD to main program, and not as an add-on event. If people just wanted to come to PCD, they could do a one day registration. She'd like discussion among the board. One thing to think about, is that a lot of new people don't know about PCD and don't register for it, but then hear about it so register the following year. So why not catch those people from the get-go. It should be talked about.

      -Another thing to discuss is having lunch included for PCD at the hotel? Would it be better to have something Lunch Bunch-y and off site for groups of people that have things in common.

-Alex: There were some comments on people wanting fewer meals at hotel, and having fewer meals to coordinate with the hotel is not a bad thing. He's open to discussion and having it be a lunch bunch activity.

-Amy: See discussion on Skype notes about adding $100 to main conference price. She's not sure that people would be put off by having an additional $100 on their registration fee. Most people (many) who come to main conference also come to PCD, and if you only want to come to the 2-day main conference you can…

-LOST CALL - took a moment for discussion to get back on and the call to start up again.

-Amy: One thing we could do, if we have lunch as a lunch bunch type thing, is we could potentially reduce the amount that we add to the cost of going to the main meeting if we lump in PCD with everything else, because a large chunk of PCD cost is lunch, so if we cut lunch, it would cost maybe less than the $100 to add to main total?

-Susan: Lunch is $30-40 per person. Also have to think of AV costs. So overall Wed costs more. We'd have to budget a lot of time for people to go out someplace. We couldn't do this in Minneapolis because she had to commit to a sizeable food and bev budget in order to keep the room rate at $159. So cutting out PCD lunch in Minneapolis won't work, but moving forward we can think about it.

-Amy: She and Susan can discuss numbers and budgets offline, but if people are generally okay with the idea of putting PCD in with the main conference, that's a discussion to have with Rosemary and Caroline.

-Susan: Registration form is clear now that PCD is the event that it is - before it wasn't as clear.

-Nat: This would include both PCD and PMLD session?

-Alex: Yes, both. everyone would be invited to participate in one thing on Wednesday.

-Alex: Susan, what you're saying is we shouldn't consider this for Minneapolis, so maybe consider for next year.

-Susan: Yeah, the food budget we had to commit to was on the high side, so we're going to need Wednesday's meal to make it.

-Alex: We could still include PCD as part of main conference, and still include an in hotel meal

-Susan: Yeah, we could do that.

-Amy: Amy and Susan will run numbers and look at the financial impact. They won't make any decisions about it without coming back to the board.

-Alex: Let's move it to top of agenda for January call. Amy, please check with Rosemary.

-Susan: We currently have 1.5 hours scheduled for time for lunch, would that still work for going off site?

-Alex: Can we move on? Is there anything else about the survey for the main conference or PCD that we

want to discuss as a group?

-Amy: Please everyone look at survey results and let her and Anthony know of any ideas or concerns.

Minneapolis 2015| *Amy & Anthony*
-Amy:
> -She's looking at different options for keynote speaker - Daniel, she looked at Don Norman, but his fee is 30,000 so he is OUT!!
> -She has a list of people she is looking into. Anyone with ideas let her know. She hopes to have someone nailed down in the first part of next year..
> -Would like the Keynote Speaker to open the meeting on Wednesday night, and have someone lighthearted for the banquet. One thing we aren't sure of yet is if there is a Corlis Benefideo Award winner, they could be the banquet speaker. If not someone local and lighthearted, more relaxing and fun, not as academic.
> -NACIS Night Out: With Nat's help has a potential venue, just across river (3-4 blocks). Susan is looking into pricing, etc.. Not likely to be loud or difficult to have conversations. So they likely have a venue for that.
> -Good team of people on ground helping with local people to contact about the meeting, attendance, who might want the CFP, etc. - let her know if you know of anyone special you'd like to send it to.

-Amy: Do you think it's a good idea to go more than 3 tracks? This year we really struggled to get it to fit into three. We generally like to let everyone participate, but we get a lot of submissions, so when do we start turning people away? What is the board's opinion?

-Alex: This is a very, very important issue to bring up. We were at capacity for Pittsburgh with three tracks. It's got to be either more tracks or fewer speakers.

-Susan: Could maybe easily have the extra space available in Minneapolis, but we get comments that it's busy enough, and they can't go to everything as it is. Would a 4th track be what people really want.

-Amy - does this damage the 'NACIS is nicest' feeling if we have to limit people? Especially for those who are taking a risk and it's their first time presenting anywhere?

-Susan: we do have smaller rooms that we could utilize better if there was a session with fewer people in it. Might be room to in Minneapolis to utilize space better.

Amy: Does anyone have a strong feeling one way or another?

-Nat: Is there a danger in NACIS becoming overkill in same way as AAG is? It's possible to go too far in the 'anyone can talk, so everyone should talk'? We're not there yet, but possible? Signal to noise ratio at NACIS is high.

-Amy: We have had some abstracts in past have been so off-topic that they have been rejected. So it's not like there has been no quality control overall in selection of presenters, unlike AAG where there is no quality control at all. It is getting to point where three tracks are so strained - we'll need to make a decision on what to do about that. Everyone needs equal time, otherwise we'll get complaints. This year there were some complaints that a couple of sessions had 5 people in them, so they each had less time.

-Alex: Is it possible to offer two lengths of presentations? He's seen that offered at other conferences. Where you offer the two lengths, and people volunteer to give a 10 or 15 minute talk instead of a longer one.

-Amy: That would be a possibility, but us imposing the time is not a good thing (determining that person A gets 10 minutes but person B gets 20), and it gets hurtful?

-Alex: He agrees. Lets email Amy with thoughts over the next month, and bring it up again at next conference call or Spring Board Meeting, and when we see how many abstracts we actually get.

-Susan: We also have to find out if hotel can accommodate another track.

-see Skype call text for a lot of conversation on this topic

-Amy: this needs to be decided on before CFP goes out, so this needs to be decided on before next conference call.
-Alex: So yes, this needs to be decided on at the next conference call, since we should be aiming for March at latest for CfP.
-Amy: She would like to send CfP in February.

NACIS 2016| *Susan & Anthony*
-Alex: for 2016, we have a candidate location of Colorado Springs.
-Susan: She and Michelle have been working with The Antlers Inn, which is a Hilton in downtown Colorado Springs. Susan asked them to lower room rate to $159 and some other things, and they seem to be amenable to suggestions. There is a draft of a contract. They are proposing first week of October (4th–9th) or the 3rd week in October which is kind of late. We haven't met as early as the first week though. We would have to make accommodation for government people since their fiscal year doesn't start until October 1st.
There has been a lot of back and forth via email to pursue Colorado Springs, and there really aren't a lot of other viable options.
-Alex: To clarify for new board members, the location of the annual meeting is something that the executive committee can move forward on without board approval, but they would like input on. So the Colorado Springs proposal is moving forward, but if you have concerns or ideas please speak up or email the board.
-Amy: They did investigate several other cities, but there were problems with hotel size, location, rates, etc.
-Alex: Can we post or email a list of cities we've recently investigated, so people know?
-Susan will email board with list of past cities from the last 8 months
-Anthony: Looking for 2017 suggestions. Colorado Springs is good proximity to Denver, which is a huge plus.

-Alex: We have 15 minutes left to discuss the various committees. He encourages committee chairs to start email communication about the activities of their committees, and copy Alex.

Cartographic Perspectives| *Pat (Daniel speaking on Pat's behalf)*
-Daniel: The only item Pat had was regarding the automatic alert to NACIS members when CP issues are available. We have done that. We used MailChimp to alert members, and it seemed to work well.
-Alex: An action item that was acted on! Okay!

Membership Benefits Committee | *Mamata (not present)*
-Alex: Kristin, you're on committee - have you had any conversations with Mamata?
-Alex: Mamata has talked about some of the discounts to be offered to members, is there follow up or movement on these thing? Kristen, can you follow up with Mamata and let Alex know.
-Alex: Lets get moving on New NACIS Member packet creation.

Awards Committee | *Alethea*
-Alethea: Working with Leo on some tasks. Leo has contacted Student Travel grant winners and gotten follow up from them. Alethea has started updating website content, will continue updating content. Do we need to change the deadline for CB award, as well as the dates for the travel grants?

-Martha is still SMPC coordinator, and Nick is still SDMC coordinator.
-Alex: There has been some discussion on the SDMC, and how to revise it.
-Alethea: Let's have a call before the next meeting so we can discuss changes to the various awards, and have something to present at SMB
-Amy: Student competition changes needs to be done early (before SBM) - since students leave for semester. Those awards need to be advertised in early March.
-Alex: Let's have call in January then, so we can meet that schedule.

Atlas of Design Committee | *Daniel*
-Daniel: Not much to report

Communications Committee | *Tanya (not present)*
-Daniel: nothing new

Publications Committee | *Nat*
-Nat: Explanation of purview - an action item was to come up with a definition of what they do
-Nat read their description. It will be posted to the Continuity Portal.
-Alex: Can everyone review the description, and we can vote on the text at next conference call.

Continuity Committee | *Maggie (not present)*
-Martha: anyone with problems with access on the portal, please contact Martha.

Finance Committee | *Jenny (not present)*
-Alex: Jenny says says looking good, details coming at SBM. The only thing she needs is expected expenses for 2015 before the end of the year. So if you have something you'd like added to the budget let her know.
-Martha: Recommends for Awards Committee to give updated budget requests to Jenny, since we went over budget last year and have talked about upping our budgets for the last couple of years.
-Alex: Susan pointed out on chat to make sure we get anything regarding expenses from this past year get taken care of.
-Nat: An awards committee question - does the CB award get a separate budget item?
-Alex: Will look into it.
-Alex: Maybe we need to move our Awards Committee conference call to Dec instead?
-Alethea: Yes, we can do that. She'll get a Doodle poll out soon.

Nominations Committee | *Nathaniel (not present)*
-Alex: NVK not here, we will check in on next call

Outreach Committee | *??*
-Daniel (via Skype chat): Outreach committee folded a while ago (At the Friday meeting in Greenville, 2013.) - it was integrated into the Communications Committee.

Web Integration Committee |Nathaniel *(not present)*
-Alex: He will check in with NVK and get an update.

Other Business
-Alex: Did anyone look into Skype Alternatives.
-Alethea: Not yet. She and Mamata were going to.

-Alex: Did anyone have problems with this call? No, if anyone has a good free or cheap option, let Alex know.
-Alex: If nothing else, we're good to go.

Meeting adjourned at 6:03pm Eastern.

Contents of Skype Chat log:
[12/03/14 5:50:43 PM] : Call started
[12/03/14 5:50:44 PM] Alex Tait: Alex Tait added acr181, awwoodruff, Martha Bostwick to this conversation
[12/03/14 5:51:23 PM] Alex Tait: Alex Tait added alethea.s86, amy-griffin to this conversation
[12/03/14 5:51:58 PM] Alex Tait: Alex Tait added tierneylauren13 to this conversation
[12/03/14 5:52:28 PM] Martha Bostwick: REminder to everyone not speaking to mute their mikes!
[12/03/14 5:53:51 PM] Alex Tait: Alex Tait added Tanya to this conversation
[12/03/14 5:54:57 PM] Alex Tait: Alex Tait added susan.peschel to this conversation
[12/03/14 5:56:00 PM] acr181: Got plenty o' email.
[12/03/14 5:56:01 PM] alethea.s86: Yep!
[12/03/14 5:56:02 PM] awwoodruff: Yep
[12/03/14 5:56:04 PM] tierneylauren13: yes!
[12/03/14 5:56:05 PM] acr181: :)
[12/03/14 5:56:06 PM] amy-griffin: yes
[12/03/14 5:56:09 PM] Alex Tait: too much mail!
[12/03/14 5:56:54 PM] Alex Tait: Alex Tait added D. H. to this conversation
[12/03/14 5:57:06 PM] D. H.: Indeed
[12/03/14 5:59:33 PM] D. H.: She says she will not be able to make it.
[12/03/14 5:59:46 PM] D. H.: She has a meeting coming up shortly.
[12/03/14 6:00:04 PM] Alex Tait: okay, you can speak for her
[12/03/14 6:00:28 PM] acr181: Success!
[12/03/14 6:01:11 PM] amy-griffin: It's either me or Hans, given the time differences!
[12/03/14 6:04:25 PM] acr181: Yep, I've already blocked that date.
[12/03/14 6:05:38 PM] alethea.s86: Yep, reviewed them!
[12/03/14 6:05:48 PM] Martha Bostwick: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1KGns2S1NQhRidMVYR7GGsBHT0qM2wh0HwrUyBC84xXI/edit
[12/03/14 6:06:41 PM] amy-griffin: I think Susan's comment was just about comparability of numbers from the website and past years.
[12/03/14 6:08:21 PM] Alex Tait: Aye
[12/03/14 6:08:22 PM] amy-griffin: Aye
[12/03/14 6:08:22 PM] acr181: Aye
[12/03/14 6:08:23 PM] tierneylauren13: aye
[12/03/14 6:08:24 PM] awwoodruff: Aye
[12/03/14 6:08:24 PM] alethea.s86: Aye
[12/03/14 6:08:49 PM] amy-griffin: yes
[12/03/14 6:09:42 PM] Alex Tait: Daniel?
[12/03/14 6:09:51 PM] D. H.: Let me quick look again
[12/03/14 6:09:54 PM] Martha Bostwick: https://docs.google.com/document/d/10CJvsAHEDxcNmRTiSmfY0Ht6XYXDQR0TmLdeW-fsIoc/edit
[12/03/14 6:10:11 PM] D. H.: Happy to help
[12/03/14 6:10:45 PM] amy-griffin: Don't remember who said that.
[12/03/14 6:11:03 PM] alethea.s86: It was for members to know so they could help nominate locations for future

meetings
[12/03/14 6:11:07 PM] alethea.s86: Don't know who said it
[12/03/14 6:11:22 PM] D. H.: As to ABM vs AAG, either could make sense. He could be commenting that there were lots of other groups mentioned at lunch on Thursday, or maybe something happened at AAG...but he wasn't there I don't think
[12/03/14 6:11:25 PM] D. H.: So ABM seems more likely
[12/03/14 6:12:23 PM] acr181: Aye
[12/03/14 6:12:23 PM] Alex Tait: Aye
[12/03/14 6:12:24 PM] Martha Bostwick: Aye
[12/03/14 6:12:24 PM] amy-griffin: Aye
[12/03/14 6:12:24 PM] tierneylauren13: Aye
[12/03/14 6:12:24 PM] awwoodruff: aye
[12/03/14 6:12:25 PM] alethea.s86: Aye
[12/03/14 6:13:51 PM] amy-griffin: I agree. Let's make the SBM agenda items.
[12/03/14 6:14:03 PM] susan.peschel: Big issue...defer...
[12/03/14 6:14:05 PM] D. H.: Absolutely.
[12/03/14 6:14:13 PM] acr181: Sounds good to me.
[12/03/14 6:14:16 PM] alethea.s86: Agreed. Good idea.
[12/03/14 6:14:20 PM] tierneylauren13: SOunds good
[12/03/14 6:14:26 PM] D. H.: That's a good idea. Maybe you could prompt a pre-discussion by email the week before, Alex?
[12/03/14 6:14:41 PM] Alex Tait: Yes, I will do that.
[12/03/14 6:14:44 PM] susan.peschel: Someone requested it for this past conference. There are criteria online
[12/03/14 6:17:02 PM] alethea.s86: http://www.taitmaps.com/temp/PCD_2014_Survey_Report.pdf
[12/03/14 6:17:04 PM] Martha Bostwick: urvey results,
https://pennstate.qualtrics.com/CP/Report.php?RP=RP_5hSXr5XLVqNA9E1 (password: nacis)
PCD survey results: http://www.taitmaps.com/temp/PCD_2014_Survey_Report.pdf
[12/03/14 6:17:37 PM] Alex Tait: Alex Tait added kgrady57 to this conversation
[12/03/14 6:17:38 PM] D. H.: Any sense how these compare to previous meeting results?
[12/03/14 6:18:06 PM] Martha Bostwick: I just joined the CCA!
[12/03/14 6:18:27 PM] amy-griffin: The response rate for the main survey was 51%
[12/03/14 6:22:38 PM] susan.peschel: I agree...we can't get into room sharing arrangements
[12/03/14 6:25:11 PM] Alex Tait: One issue is that we would have to add $100 to regular registration.
[12/03/14 6:26:03 PM] susan.peschel: That add'l $100 onto everyone's registration would be off putting
[12/03/14 6:26:37 PM] Martha Bostwick: LOST MEETING!!!!!!
[12/03/14 6:26:38 PM] amy-griffin: can you still hear me?
[12/03/14 6:26:42 PM] D. H.: PCD attendance is usually 50% of main conference.
[12/03/14 6:26:42 PM] susan.peschel: oops, my call got put on hold????
[12/03/14 6:26:43 PM] alethea.s86: Having a meal outside of the hotel on PCD day sounds good to me
[12/03/14 6:26:44 PM] tierneylauren13: I have been put on hold
[12/03/14 6:26:45 PM] amy-griffin: someone put me on hold
[12/03/14 6:26:46 PM] acr181: Huh.
[12/03/14 6:26:48 PM] alethea.s86: My call is on hold too
[12/03/14 6:26:59 PM] Martha Bostwick: anyone that can hear please take notes for me!
[12/03/14 6:27:04 PM] amy-griffin: no one can hear
[12/03/14 6:27:06 PM] acr181: I don't think anyone can hear.
[12/03/14 6:27:11 PM] tierneylauren13: I just got back
[12/03/14 6:27:11 PM] acr181: Yes.
[12/03/14 6:27:12 PM] alethea.s86: Yep!
[12/03/14 6:27:15 PM] tierneylauren13: yes

[12/03/14 6:27:20 PM] Alex Tait: Alex Tait added natcase701 to this conversation
[12/03/14 6:27:51 PM] acr181: Right as you were talking about $100 steering people away
[12/03/14 6:27:57 PM] Alex Tait: Aggh, Anyone else off?
[12/03/14 6:28:10 PM] Alex Tait: Nat are you on now?
[12/03/14 6:28:49 PM] acr181: How much sponsorship would be required to offset the addition of PCD to the main schedule?
[12/03/14 6:29:19 PM] Alex Tait: It isn't just about the cost, it is about the profit. PCD makes us a solid profit
[12/03/14 6:29:33 PM] kgrady57: Is there any way to tell who is talking?
[12/03/14 6:30:09 PM] Martha Bostwick: if you have the skype window open, their names flash across the top (or pictures if they have one)
[12/03/14 6:31:05 PM] kgrady57: I'm not seeing that. I'll figure it out later. The Mac app is really weird.
[12/03/14 6:32:25 PM] acr181: Nope - results are there for everyone to check out if you want.
[12/03/14 6:33:16 PM] D. H.: Boo
[12/03/14 6:33:18 PM] acr181: Ha.
[12/03/14 6:33:24 PM] D. H.: I appreciate that
[12/03/14 6:33:30 PM] acr181: How about George W. Bush?
[12/03/14 6:33:43 PM] acr181: Aww
[12/03/14 6:35:12 PM] Alex Tait: I agree, may be a schedule issue, it was with Anne Knowles and with the Greenville speaker, they could only come Friday
[12/03/14 6:36:52 PM] acr181: What is the cost implication for adding a fourth track on one of the days?
[12/03/14 6:37:10 PM] D. H.: I'm hesitant about going to four. I think there's no harm in turning away some people. This allows us more control over the quality/diversity/etc. of the schedule.
[12/03/14 6:37:24 PM] amy-griffin: For Mpls, probably not so much cost implication.
[12/03/14 6:37:32 PM] acr181: Many meetings now have members vote on which talks are included.
[12/03/14 6:38:07 PM] D. H.: That's an interesting idea, though would that be logistically difficult?
[12/03/14 6:38:33 PM] Alex Tait: It would also be hard to vote on talks by people you don't know or are new
[12/03/14 6:38:58 PM] acr181: I think my first reaction here would be to explore whether or not we could fit 5 into a session more consistently. I think there were 4 in most sessions this year, right?
[12/03/14 6:39:07 PM] tierneylauren13: Could we potentially have only a couple of four track times, and try and keep the majority to three?
[12/03/14 6:39:10 PM] acr181: Not everyone needs 20 full minutes, is what I'm thinking.
[12/03/14 6:39:19 PM] D. H.: This could tie in to another idea: some conferences post abstracts as they come in, before the CFP deadline, so that people can decide that "hey X is talking about Y...that inspires me to talk about something"
[12/03/14 6:40:08 PM] alethea.s86: I like the idea of exploring 5 per session
[12/03/14 6:40:42 PM] tierneylauren13: Five per session I think could work well
[12/03/14 6:40:54 PM] D. H.: Some people need less time; perhaps we could ask when people submit, how long they want?
[12/03/14 6:40:58 PM] D. H.: Yes, that.
[12/03/14 6:41:05 PM] acr181: Yeah, I think Alex is on to something good there.
[12/03/14 6:41:07 PM] awwoodruff: For PCD this year we asked for volunteers to do shorter talks.
[12/03/14 6:41:34 PM] alethea.s86: Maybe a selection box in the submission that has options for 10 m in or 15 min talk?
[12/03/14 6:42:01 PM] acr181: Here's what FOSS4G does to vote on abstracts - they had 8 concurrent sessions this year which was already insane: https://2014.foss4g.org/abstract-review-process-for-foss4g-2014/
[12/03/14 6:42:07 PM] Alex Tait: I like the idea of two time lengths on a volunteer basis
[12/03/14 6:43:28 PM] acr181: I've been assigned the task of making a logo. :)
[12/03/14 6:43:43 PM] natcase701: Another option: make the conference one day longer
[12/03/14 6:43:46 PM] D. H.: I think we did so on Friday at Pittsburgh?
[12/03/14 6:43:52 PM] alethea.s86: I thought we did it in Pitt

[12/03/14 6:44:53 PM] acr181: Here's the hotel: http://www.antlers.com/
[12/03/14 6:47:07 PM] natcase701: Springs is great.
[12/03/14 6:47:20 PM] amy-griffin: Tucson, San Diego, Austin were all recently investigated
[12/03/14 6:47:27 PM] acr181: Also Santa Fe, right?
[12/03/14 6:47:29 PM] natcase701: New Orleans?
[12/03/14 6:47:47 PM] Alex Tait: Nawlins is on the list to explore
[12/03/14 6:47:49 PM] amy-griffin: We also looked into Denver itself.
[12/03/14 6:47:56 PM] susan.peschel: Denver, Spokane were also looked at
[12/03/14 6:49:49 PM] kgrady57: I'm on it
[12/03/14 6:50:00 PM] kgrady57: nope
[12/03/14 6:50:29 PM] alethea.s86: That was my action item. I'm putting it back on my list. Sorry!
[12/03/14 6:51:55 PM] Alex Tait: Alex Tait added Nathaniel to this conversation
[12/03/14 6:51:57 PM] amy-griffin: Fabulous, thanks Alethea!
[12/03/14 6:52:08 PM] natcase701: I've been calling people to be on the CB award committee. No definite yesses
[12/03/14 6:52:12 PM] natcase701: nominations welcome
[12/03/14 6:52:38 PM] natcase701: I'll look at it
[12/03/14 6:52:50 PM] amy-griffin: Dates for CB are correct.
[12/03/14 6:53:09 PM] Martha Bostwick: I'venever gotten a request until we send out a reminder in spring/summer
[12/03/14 6:54:16 PM] natcase701: I'm in
[12/03/14 6:54:37 PM] susan.peschel: Just got an email response from Astor Cafe. I can have this resolved in the next day or so. I'll let you know Amy/Nat...so we can agreement. I'll sign contract and send deposit to nail it down sooner than ever before!
[12/03/14 6:54:57 PM] natcase701: Susan, sounds good!
[12/03/14 6:55:34 PM] D. H.: Not much
[12/03/14 6:55:50 PM] D. H.: I believe I am
[12/03/14 6:55:58 PM] D. H.: Nothing new to report there, either
[12/03/14 6:56:06 PM] natcase701: Publications committee I think we have the explanation of purview
[12/03/14 6:57:33 PM] amy-griffin: Sounds good to me!
[12/03/14 6:57:34 PM] D. H.: I like it.
[12/03/14 6:57:59 PM] alethea.s86: I like it!
[12/03/14 6:59:02 PM] susan.peschel: any outstanding costs from conference that needs reimbursement for send to me asap so I can get things wrapped up.
[12/03/14 6:59:44 PM] alethea.s86: Do we have an itemized list of expenses per committee to reference?
[12/03/14 6:59:58 PM] amy-griffin: I think it was a budget item officially in 2013.
[12/03/14 7:00:08 PM] amy-griffin: (CB award)
[12/03/14 7:00:29 PM] susan.peschel: I've got to run...sorry. Bye-bye
[12/03/14 7:01:24 PM] D. H.: Outreach was folded into COmmunications a ways back
[12/03/14 7:02:02 PM] kgrady57: noooooooooooo
[12/03/14 7:02:03 PM] kgrady57: haha
[12/03/14 7:02:09 PM] alethea.s86: This one's been great
[12/03/14 7:02:13 PM] acr181: Fine for me. I use Skype a lot and never have trouble.
[12/03/14 7:02:13 PM] Martha Bostwick: It's been good for me
[12/03/14 7:02:13 PM] amy-griffin: This one has been better.
[12/03/14 7:02:17 PM] D. H.: It's usually been fine. I think last time was an aberration/
[12/03/14 7:02:19 PM] tierneylauren13: Works well I think, but open to other options
[12/03/14 7:02:23 PM] natcase701: It's fine as long as I write it into the datebook properly...
[12/03/14 7:02:24 PM] kgrady57: (just the mac interface is super confusing. although the sound is great)
[12/03/14 7:02:26 PM] alethea.s86: I'lll put it on my list to do some investigating
[12/03/14 7:02:41 PM] D. H.: Have to run. Bye all!
[12/03/14 7:02:58 PM] amy-griffin: Maybe something we need to do in the future is to get new board members to

test out Skype before the first call.

[12/03/14 7:03:10 PM] acr181: Thanks everyone, talk to you again soon!

[12/03/14 7:03:11 PM] alethea.s86: Bye all!

[12/03/14 7:03:14 PM] tierneylauren13: Thanks! Talk later everyone!

[12/03/14 7:03:14 PM] Alex Tait: bye

[12/03/14 7:03:17 PM] amy-griffin: Bye!

[12/03/14 7:03:17 PM] awwoodruff: Bye y'all

[12/03/14 7:03:18 PM] Martha Bostwick: bye

[12/03/14 7:03:19 PM] natcase701: Thansk!

[12/03/14 7:03:22 PM] kgrady57: not a bad idea, but I thought 15 mins early was enough time. usually this stuff is pretty intuitive