

**Thursday May 18, 2017 at Noon EDT**  
**Call information: 1-800-944-8766 Code: 66836**

## **AGENDA**

Present: Dave, Allen, Dianne, Shoreh, Wendy, German

Regret: Leslie Zolman

Approval of [April Minutes](#)

- Motion: Dave
- Second: Allen

## **Monthly Financial Report**

End of March 2017 Financial Report:

- Total expenses in March 2017: \$78.96. YTD: \$3,136.79 since 2003: \$110,117.51
- Total [contributions](#) in March 2017: \$0.00. YTD: \$1,025.00; since 2003: \$133,115.92
- Total balance as of end of March 2017: \$22,998.41

## **Committee Updates**

- Website: Have asked Derek for an update. Mary not available during early May.
- Finance: Shoreh presented [the 3-year budget](#). Discussion about raising money; individual contributions vs grants.
- Disaster response:
  - Report from [Mission Coordinators](#):
  - OSM: Dave/Emmor: Emmor in transit.
  - AGO: German/Jeff: Nothing to report.
  - DHN: Leslie: May 8-11 DHN SimEx
    - I was not able to participate but the documents are [here](#) if anyone would like to view them
- Publication: DHN stories for May (Matthew and Syria) Waiting on feedback and revisions from Helen, WWF-South Africa (Shruthi - profile), Costa Rica (report is written but needs some edits). Will be ready by about May 30th.

## **Deployment news (launched, ongoing, new): [Volunteer/Project List](#)**

1. Seeds of Hope: Leslie/Shoreh: JD is ready. Recruitment will start soon.
2. GSDI Small Grants projects: need a volunteer to work on this. Ongoing project for years (Mark used to handle this). Review about 20 GSDI applications (which are due on June 1) and determine GIS aspects--usually only about 4 or 5 have a GIS aspect. Dianne will take this up. If viable projects, will further discuss as group how to divvy up.
3. [Compassion Games International](#): Shoreh: project is progressing very well. The volunteer has moved the app to an EC2 server and is going thru sprints to identify additional functionalities. [The app looks awesome](#). Will be finished soon.
4. [GirlScouts Illinois](#): Shoreh: Progress was slowed down the last two weeks, because the model is struggling with the number of points being modeled. He (John) needs to find more than 3 or 5 hours to work on it. It literally took 24 hours of computer crunch time to load the points into the network model. He will have more time to devote to it this week. By the end of the weekend he hopes to have some results for Emma and Charlie to look over.

5. WWF-Zambia: Leslie: Our volunteer Erin took a few weeks off for her school but is back now and working on the project. WWF would like this project done by the end of May, which is not possible but they keep pushing. Erin is dealing with it and I think all will work out.
6. WWF - South Africa: Leslie: completed. Story for newsletter.
7. USFS-Costa Rica project - Shoreh: report will be in the newsletter.
8. Sustainable Innovations: German: Miami U students wrote up [great report](#). Completed 9 villages (30 villages to go). 2 students staying on to help after semester. Hoping things stabilize soon (SI is still fine-tuning their needs) so we can recruit more digitizers. Shoreh and German will discuss.
9. Good Seed CDC: Shoreh/German: Interviewed and selected Amin for porting existing app to Amazon instance. He is working directly with Jonathan and seems to be making good progress.
10. Community Solutions (6 volunteers): Shoreh: Dave Hansen will attend the UC and present their project.
11. Feeding America (Riverside County): Shoreh: sent them a final note to close as both volunteers had to step down (past due). There is a new CEO who is not up to speed on the project. Report for next newsletter.
12. NetHope request for Syria & Map filter project for Matthew: Shoreh: Helen has sought input from all parties.
13. GoodLands: David and Leslie had a call with Molly Burhans on April 29th. We received a grant application that Molly submitted that provided additional information the following day. Leslie requested a detailed job description and information on the on-site support they were looking for. They have no funds yet but would like 3 volunteers to travel to Rome after the UC to work on-site for three months. Molly has not provided the JD or travel information. May 11th she emailed to say she would get it to us soon but was on her way to India for a conference. The UC is soon and I am unsure if we can get this organized and staffed for people to be onsite for three months starting Mid-July.

#### **Other business**

- Refresher on the recruitment procedure (Dave/German): Had a GDrive refresher in April. Should schedule another mini-training for use of recruiting database, feedback process, and...Will schedule a recruitment training call after Shoreh is back.
- GISCorps Chapters discussion: Portugal. Working on thesis, on hold temporarily. Dianne sent the document and everyone provided feedback. Next steps? Should we have a fast track for setting up a local chapter during a crisis response?
- Appreciation plaque for Mark and Heather...present it at the ESRI conference? Mark does not go to the conference, and not sure if Heather is going. Present to Mark at the GISPro conference?
- Esri User Conference: booth, graphics, volunteers, etc. Will use same graphics as last year.
  - Lunch at the annual meeting: \$1,000 for 30 people (Wednesday at noon) Shoreh gave them new statistics.
- Reimbursement for Dave for Esri UC. Estimate reimbursement at about \$800 (same as last year); will take an online vote. - Vote approved. Plans in progress. **Yes**
- Allen proposed to donate \$500 to GISCorps if we match it: motion passed.

**Next call:** Thursday June 15, 2017 at noon EDT

