

**MBGS Executive Committee Minutes**  
**From**  
**May 21, 2003**

<b>Officers in Attendance:</b>	Milt Gere	President
	Tom Godbold	Vice President
	Tom Hoane	Treasurer
	Tom Wellman	Secretary
	Bruce Arndt	Business Manager
	Mark Wollensak	Electronic Publications
	Leonard Espinosa	Past President

**Officers Absent:** Stan Idziak Newsletter Editor

**Location:** Waterfront Inn, Traverse City

**Speaker and Topic:** Steve Chittick, 'Digital Elevation Modeling', approx 34 people attending

**Meeting Commenced:** 4:40

**Agenda Items**

**Milt Gere**

AAPG is looking for nominations for "2004 K-12 Teachers Award." Transmitted nomination form and nomination guidelines to Tom Wellman. Also gave forms for additional AAPG awards to Tom Wellman, see Tom if you are interested in nominating someone.

Results from the election are in, next year's officers are:

President:	Tom Godbold
Vice-President:	Michael Grammer
Secretary:	Tom Wellman
Treasurer:	Tom Hoane
Business Manager:	Pat Poli

**Tom Godbold**

Steve Chittick graciously accepted our request, on very short notice, to speak tonight on 'Digital Elevation Modeling'

**Tom Wellman**

Distributed minutes from last meeting, notes taken by Tom Godbold. Minutes were enthusiastically approved. Discussed placing minutes on the website to improve information regarding MBGS's activities. Approved placing minutes on website, will forward copy of minutes to Greg. Discussed resuming sending e-mail copies of newsletter to members instead of just sending an e-mail notice. Result of discussion was that e-mailed newsletters provided better service and was a better reference than just the e-mail reminder. Consensus was to ask Stan to attach a Word (or Adobe or most compatible format) document of newsletter with notification. However, do not want to get into previous situation of delaying newsletter to generate multiple files.

**Tom Hoane**

Tom distributed financial sheets. Current checking balance is \$9168.30, Money Market is \$5366.04. Approved Dave Baxter as a returning member, needs to be put on mailing list.

Payments to Greg Varnum were approved; costs are \$180/year for maintenance plus additional costs for specific upgrades. Will continue Greg's services next year.

**Mark Wollensak**

Karst field trip to South-Central Indiana is cancelled. Discovered a conflict in the dates, there will not be enough rooms available. Will try to resuscitate this trip next year.  
Have prepared four books for electronic publications.

Discussed interest in a 2004 field trip/conference on the NE Lower Peninsula. This will be held in conjunction with AIPG and MAEP. Are looking for a date in April or May. Will put out request for call for papers.

Reported on cost of yearlong insurance policy. Premium will be \$525/year for \$1 million per occurrence, \$2 million aggregate. Reaction was positive, suggested delaying start of coverage until September, to coincide with our meetings or field trips.

**Other Business**

**Dave Baxter**

Dave reported on updating a website with Douglass Houghton's biographical information.

Adjourned 5:30pm