

MINUTES OF THE JOINT
EXECUTIVE & STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEES
(September 11, 2001)

Subject to the approval of the Executive & Strategic Planning Committees the following minutes are submitted. The meeting was called to order on September 11, 2001 at the Salt Palace Convention Center in Salt Lake City, Utah at noon. Those present were:

VOTING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Ron Hatch	President
Rudy Kalafus	Vice President & Chair Strategic Planning
Karen Van Dyke	Immediate Past President
Larry Hothem	Treasurer & GPS 2001 General Chair
Sally Frodge	Eastern VP
John Raquet	Central VP
A.J. Van Dierendonck	Western VP

VOTING STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Rudy Kalafus	Chair
Richard Greenspan	
Stan Lewantowicz	
Penny Axelrad	Satellite Division Chair

NON-VOTING INVITED PARTICIPANTS:

Mike Braasch	Finance Chair
John Lavrakas	Satellite Division Vice Chair
John Clark	Satellite Division Treasurer
Gerard Lachapelle	GPS 2001 Program Chair
Chris Rizos	GPS 2001 Track Chair
Sheryn Sauve	GPS 2001 Track Chair
Carl Andren	Technical Director
Lisa Beaty	Director of Operations

EMERGENCY ACTIONS REGARDING THE GPS 2001 MEETING

Due to the attacks in New York and Washington, DC on the morning of September 11, and the subsequent shut down of all air travel, there had been a discussion about whether or not to proceed with the meeting. This topic was discussed among those present.

Lisa Beaty reported that 90% of the exhibitors were present and setting up and with the tutorials, Coast Guard meetings and other related meetings she anticipated there were over 500 technical participants already in the city.

It was the consensus of the group that the meeting should proceed as scheduled with as much of the original program as possible being presented. Plans were quickly implemented to determine how many of the scheduled speakers were present and how much program adjustment would need to be done.

An official statement regarding the state of the program and the intent to continue with the meeting was immediately posted on the ION web site and circulated to tutorial and meeting attendees.

The issue of refunds for those unable to attend was briefly discussed and it was decided it was too soon to make a policy at this time. Lisa reported it was too early to determine the financial outcome of the meeting as this depended on how quickly flights would be resumed. She reported that the ION's convention insurance did carry exclusions for terrorist attacks, acts of war or any form of aggression. However, she was not certain if these would apply or not. Lisa reported that she would take all steps necessary to mitigate losses and damages wherever possible.

AGENDA

1. Establishment of a GNSS Ad Hoc Committee Meeting ... R. Hatch
2. NTM 2003 Site Location: Results from Lisa's August Survey of Executive Committee ... L. Beaty
3. High School Apprenticeship Program: Mike Miller's Proposal (see attached) ... R. Hatch
4. Proposed Bylaws Change to Presented to Council in January: Creation of two ION regions; and the election of two Council Members-at-Large for each region that serve two-year terms. C. Andren
 - Review Supporting Membership Statistics
 - Review Instructions to Bylaws Chair Regarding Proposed Motion
5. Review/Update Strategic Plan's Objectives (see attached) ... R. Kalafus
 - Incorporation of Committee Chair's Goals
 - Review of ION's Investment Goals & Vehicles in Relation to Strategic Plan

Establishment of a GNSS Ad Hoc Committee

There was some initial discussion as to whether or not this was within the scope of the ION's charter. It was determined that considering the political environment surrounding this issue at this time; that it was not advisable for the ION to get involved in this activity.

NTM 2003 Site Location

Lisa reported that the January 2003 had a few unique problems in trying to locate a meeting appropriate hotel with dates, meeting space, government rates, and a tolerable group rate as 2003 had a federal holiday the third week of the month and Super Bowl Sunday in San Diego the fourth week of the month.

She reported that this left two options. First, hold the meeting early (the week of January 12-18) in the San Diego or Los Angeles area. Lisa speculated that this could reduce registration somewhat due to the proximity to the first of the year. Second, hold the meeting the third or fourth week of January by moving the meeting north, specifically the Monterey area.

Lisa reported that she had sent a memo to the Executive Committee regarding this issue to ascertain their preferences and received such diverse options that she was not able to glean a consensus of any type.

After some discussion it was the consensus of the group to continue to hold the meeting in either the San Diego (1st preference) or Los Angeles area (2nd choice), even if this required holding it earlier in the month than is typical.

ION Navigation High School Apprenticeship Program

See attached file: [hs_apprenticeship.pdf](#)

It was suggested that since the proposed High School Apprenticeship Program would be managed through the ION's sections, that the proposed program be reviewed by the Dayton and Washington Section leaders under the direction of the section's Regional Vice Presidents and that a recommendation be made at January Council Meeting.

Action: Eastern and Central VP's, John Raquet and Sally Frodge, to forward the proposed High School Apprenticeship Program draft to their Dayton and Washington, DC Section Chairs for review and comment. Raquet and Frodge to come to the January Council Meeting with a recommendation.

Action: \$2500 is to be allocated in the 2002-'03 budget for this activity, should it be adopted/approved in January.

Proposed Bylaws Change, New Definitions for ION Regions

See file: [new_ion_regions.pdf](#)

Carl Andren presented proposal for realignment of the ION's three regions to two regions. In this proposal North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana and the Canadian Province of Manitoba would be relocated to the Western Region and Wisconsin, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan and the Canadian Province of Ontario would be relocated to the Eastern Region. Under this proposal 1045 members would currently represent the Western Region and 1084 members would represent the Eastern Region.

As part of this proposed bylaws change each region would elect one new Council Member-at-Large each year that would serve for a two-year term.

Proposed changes to bylaws are attached in file: [bylaws_revisions.pdf](#)

Motion: Executive Committee and Strategic Planning Committee approve the revised ION regional alignment creating two regions, East and West, and approved the number of Council Member-at-Large officers representing a region from one per region to two per region with a two-year term of office. Motion made by Stan Lewantowicz, seconded by Sally Frodge and approved.

Action: Carl Andren to get the Bylaws Chair to review proposed bylaws modifications and propose for the January Council Meeting an amended bylaws to reflect the proposed ION regional alignment, Council membership and terms of office with a proposed implementation schedule.

Review/Update Strategic Plan's Objectives

A diverse discussion ensued over the ION's mission, goals and mission statement.

Rudy Kalafus, Chair, to update the plan and provide a draft of the new plan in January with the intent that the updated plan will be presented at the June 2002 Council meeting.