

**ILLINOIS GIS ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA**

DATE: August 11, 2026
TIME: 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
LOCATION: Conference Call

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ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PERSON(S)	ATTACHMENT
1.0	CALL TO ORDER		
1.1	Welcome	Keith Darby, President	
1.2	Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum <i>Note: The quorum requirement is a majority of the voting members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum for transacting association business.</i>		A
1.3	Review and approve agenda - ACTION	Keith Darby, President	
1.3.1	Approve additions or modifications to agenda		
2.0	APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA - ACTION	Keith Darby, President	
2.1.1	Approve Board of Director Meeting Minutes – July 7, 2026	Keith Darby, President	B
3.0	REPORTS		
3.1	President's Report	Keith Darby, President	
3.2	Executive Director Report	Megan Galeher, Executive Director	
3.2.1	Q2 Financial Report		C
3.3	Committee Updates		
3.3.1	Education Committee Update	Adam Aull, Chair	
3.3.2	Finance Committee Update	Steven Spradling, Chair	
3.3.3	Governance Committee Update	Mike Kamin, Chair	
3.3.4	Professional Development Committee Update	Josh Carlson, Chair	D
3.3.5	Program Committee Update	Mike Kamin and Steven Spradling, Co-Chairs	E
3.3.6	Outreach Committee Update	Lauren Lee, Chair	
3.3.7	Strategic Plan Update	Keith Darby, President	
3.4	ACTION ITEMS		
3.5	OTHER BUSINESS		
3.5.1	NG911 & ILGISA	Mark Yacucci, ISGS	
3.5.2	Statewide and National Updates	Mark Yacucci, ISGS	
4.0	ADJOURNMENT	Keith Darby, President	

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ILGISA Board of Directors Roll Call

First Name	Last Name	Government/Firm Name	Board Position	Voting position	RSVP	In attendance
Keith	Darby	City of Wheaton	President	Y	Y	
Mike	Kamin	City of Batavia	Past President	Y	Y	
Lauren	Lee	Whiteside County	President Elect	Y	Y	
Steven	Spradling	City of St. Charles	Treasurer	Y	Y	
Renee	Buker	Western Illinois University	Secretary	Y	Y	
Adam	Aull	City of Danville	Director	Y	Y	
Josh	Carlson	Kendall County	Director	Y	Y	
Hunter	Ray	Cloudpoint Geospatial	Director	Y	Y	
Burt	McAlpine	JULIE	Director	Y	Y	
Daniel	Bartlett	Cook County	Director	Y	Y	
Megan	Galeher	ILGISA	Executive Director	N	Y	
Rick	Church	ILGISA	Managing Director	N	N	
Mark	Yacucci	Illinois State Geological Survey	Ex-Officio	N	Y	
Total voting				10		
Total attendees				13		

**MINUTES – ILLINOIS GIS ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Tuesday, July 7, 2026

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 AM CDT. Those in attendance were: Keith Darby, Mike Kamin, Lauren Lee, Steven Spradling, Renee Buker, Adam Aull, Josh Carlson, Hunter Ray, Mark Yacucci, and guest Meagan Briganti.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mike Kamin, seconded by Josh Carlson, and is unanimously approved.

2.0 APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Josh Carlson to approve the June minutes. The motion was seconded by Mike Kamin and is unanimously approved.

3.0 REPORTS

3.1 President's Report

President Darby –

- Thank you to the Program Committee for all their work preparing the Chicago regional meeting, the presentations were great.
- iMAUG will be meeting in Wheaton on August 12 – please contact him if you would like to present or attend.
- The Esri User Conference is coming up soon – those board members attending, please share what you learned at the next board meeting.
- We will be doing our next strategic planning update at the August board meeting.

3.2 Executive Director Report

President Darby reviewed the Executive Director report from Megan Galeher –

- Dues were invoiced November 17th, and renewals through June were attached. There are 576 members paid at this point, up from 521 at the same time last year.
- 2025 Form 990 was distributed to the board for review and will be sent to the CPA to finalize.
- Q2 financial statements will be available for the August board meeting.
- 2026 Annual Conference will be October 18-20 at the Embassy Suites in East Peoria.
 - Call for content is now open, 3 abstracts submitted so far. Deadline is August 7, this may be extended.
 - Hotel room block is now open for reservations as well, deadline for booking is September 28.
 - CM Services staff will begin attending program committee meetings in July.
 - Upcoming discussions/decisions include keynote speaker selection, social event selection, poster and map competition details, finalizing web pages and agenda, determining Esri involvement, and discussing any potential conference additions.
- Megan is holding on sending out RFPs for the 2027 annual conference pending further

discussion and exploration of other options by the Program Committee. Please keep her informed on the progress of this.

3.3 Committee Updates

3.3.1 Education Committee

Chair—Adam Aull— The student scholarship rubric has been reviewed and will be judged using a weighted score. So far there are two undergrad and two postgrad applicants. The committee is still finalizing some items for the mentorship program, with a formal announcement of the program at the annual conference. The committee also discussed the idea of offering one year of free ILGISA membership to newly graduated student members, as an encouragement to continue involvement in the organization. More discussion and investigation is needed to determine what recent grads want and what the costs might be to ILGISA. Mike pointed out that ILGISA already offers membership at the student rate for the first year after graduation.

3.3.2 Finance Committee

Chair—Steven Spradling — No updates. Financial totals from the regional meeting in Chicago should be coming soon.

3.3.3 Governance Committee

Chair—Mike Kamin— The committee is finishing up their review of the bylaws and procedures. They are now beginning preparations for this year's board member elections.

3.3.4 Professional Development Committee

Chair—Josh Carlson— Plans are underway for a Virtual Workshop series, to begin in late August. Each session in the series will be 1 hour long and cover a different developer topic. The committee is working on registration details, and more information will be made available after the Esri User Conference. Dan is still working on plans for a webinar covering GIS accessibility. The committee has also started planning for the ILGISA annual conference. They will be bringing back the GeoLounge area this year, providing an area for networking, discussion topics, and continued conversation after presentations in other rooms. The committee is also planning a mid-career panel for the conference.

3.3.5 Program Committee

Chairs—Mike Kamin and Steven Spradling — The regional meeting in Chicago went well, presentations were excellent. Good feedback was received from those who stayed for post-meeting events as well, including the CMAP roof tour, Climate Action Museum tour, and the social at Little Toasted. Attendees appreciated the convenient location, and the cost to host here is very reasonable. Some feedback for improvements next year include rethinking seating arrangements so that no one has their back to the speakers; adjustments/testing with the microphones; and another snack option in the morning besides donuts, for those avoiding sugar/gluten.

Planning is well underway for the annual conference. Megan Galeher will begin attending committee meetings this month. The call for content is open. The committee is considering organizing one room specifically for different panel discussions.

Guest Meagan Briganti asked if 15-minute presentations could be an option for the annual conference. A shorter length may make this less intimidating for potential presenters. The committee will consider this. Meagan also asked about compensation that has been historically offered to keynote speakers at the conference, as she had ideas of potential speakers from Open Street Map. Mike said that hotel accommodations are provided for keynotes, and some other funds may be available. Meagan was invited to attend the next Program Committee meeting to discuss ideas further.

3.3.6 Outreach Committee

Chair—Lauren Lee— ILGISA articles of incorporation were added to the website. Lauren also announced that there have been 300 new followers of ILGISA in LinkedIn in the past year. The monthly email brief continues to be sent out, and will now only go to active members. The committee continues its work on contacting lapsed members. Ian Stearns suggested that the committee create a formal list of benefits to members including metrics; the committee is working on this further.

3.4 Action Items

3.4.1 Creating a Digital Conference Agenda

A motion was made by Adam Aull to create a digital conference agenda for the 2026 annual conference. The motion was seconded by Steven Spradling.

Discussion – Josh Carlson voiced a need for an electronic, mobile-friendly way to access the conference agenda. PDF and Excel spreadsheet versions of the agenda were available last year but are difficult to navigate on mobile devices. Ready-to-use apps are available but generally expensive. Josh proposes using a tool called Quarto to convert agenda information into a mobile-friendly agenda site that would allow users to search, browse presentations by day and time, filter by topics, and link to full presentation abstracts. The output could be hosted at a very low cost and linked from a subdomain on the ILGISA site. Mike mentioned that MAGIC used a Dashboard for their online agenda. Josh considered Esri software but was hesitant to rely on software that could have downtime or updates that affect formatting or functionality during the conference. He emphasized that he would volunteer to create the agenda this year, but would create detailed instructions for others to also be able to maintain and adjust the pages as needed. Hunter volunteered to be a backup for maintaining the agenda. Josh had suggested only hosting the agenda for about a month – a few weeks before the conference and shortly after. Others suggested, given the low cost for hosting this data, that there would be benefit in keeping this agenda up longer, for conference attendees to refer back later.

The motion is unanimously approved.

3.5 Other Business

Mark Yacucci reported that the NSGIC Geospatial Maturity Assessment was released. Illinois's overall grade was B. The state got particularly high scores on elevation data and NG911, lower scores on parcels and transportation data. State coordination has a lower score due to Illinois not having an

official, funded GIO position. Mark will be attending the Esri User Conference – come see him at the NSGIC or URISA information tables in the Expo area.

Josh provided a one-year update of visitor patterns to the ILGISA Forum. The chart he provided of monthly pageviews of the Forum showed a bump in use after last year's annual conference, a slowdown in use from December to March, then a significantly growing use from April to June. The Outreach Committee has been active in posting and encouraging discussion, and Lauren has been including promotion of the Forum in member emails. Items for further investigation include identifying "super users" on the Forum and examining how many new users are joining each month.

4.0 ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Steven Spradling and seconded by Lauren Lee. With no further business, President Darby adjourned the meeting at 11:07 AM CDT.

**Illinois Geographic Information Systems Association
Balance Sheet
6/30/2026**

	<i>As of 1/1/2026</i>	<i>As of 6/30/2026</i>	<i>Change</i>	<i>As of Previous Year</i>
Current Assets				
Checking Account-Glen Ellyn Bank & Trust	\$49,745.99	\$34,064.60	(\$15,681.39)	\$37,024.70
Money Market-Glen Ellyn Bank & Trust	47,326.59	77,941.71	30,615.12	46,653.91
Money Market-Glen Ellyn Bank & Trust(Schol)	479.12	484.67	5.55	472.32
Accounts Receivable	3,265.00	2,650.00	(615.00)	5,200.00
Prepaid Expenses	7,753.50	855.94	(6,897.56)	848.65
Total Current Assets	108,570.20	115,996.92	7,426.72	90,199.58
Fixed Assets				
Website Development	11,190.00	11,190.00	0.00	11,190.00
Accum Amortization-Website Development	(11,190.00)	(11,190.00)	0.00	(11,190.00)
TOTAL ASSETS	108,570.20	115,996.92	7,426.72	90,199.58
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	0.00	208.50	208.50	149.52
Prepaid Dues Income	15,610.00	12,650.00	(2,960.00)	11,850.00
Total Current Liabilities	15,610.00	12,858.50	(2,751.50)	11,999.52
Total Liabilities	15,610.00	12,858.50	(2,751.50)	11,999.52
Association Equity				
Undesignated Net Assets	92,960.20	92,960.20		
Change in Undesignated Net Assets		10,178.22		
Total Association Equity	92,960.20	103,138.42		
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	108,570.20	115,996.92		

7/21/2026
9:20 AM

**Illinois Geographic Information Systems Association
Statement of Revenues and Expenses
For the Six Months Ending 6/30/2026**

	<i>Current Month Actuals</i>	<i>YTD Actuals</i>	<i>Annual Budget</i>	<i>Prior Year YTD Actual</i>
Revenue				
Dues Income	\$8,360.00	\$23,840.00	\$37,250.00	\$21,060.00
Annual Sponsor Income	0.00	20,690.00	32,010.00	32,030.00
Silent Auction/Sales	0.00	0.00	870.00	0.00
Interest Income	19.10	620.67	100.00	717.98
Annual Conference Income	0.00	0.00	63,100.00	40.00
Regional Meeting Income	2,595.00	6,905.00	5,000.00	8,805.00
Job Center Income	0.00	0.00	500.00	140.00
Miscellaneous Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.46
Revenue	10,974.10	52,055.67	138,830.00	62,806.44
Expense				
Board of Directors	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,375.68
Management Fee	4,484.38	26,906.28	53,812.50	25,624.98
Printing/Postage	15.26	102.10	525.00	131.78
Telephone/Fax	113.19	690.85	1,500.00	724.75
Insurance	409.74	819.48	1,627.50	792.48
Audit & Tax Preparation	0.00	0.00	1,575.00	1,560.00
Supplies	0.47	46.32	150.00	64.07
Scholarships	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00
Regional Meetings	0.00	973.83	4,000.00	1,747.62
Misc. Expenses & Bank Charges	298.20	3,954.93	7,000.00	3,257.88
Website	12.00	7,955.58	6,461.45	6,077.22
Fall Annual Conference	0.00	0.00	52,000.00	3,000.00
Outreach Events	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Committees	40.00	103.08	500.00	0.00
Magic Sponsorship	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
Hardship Fund	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Bad Debt Expense	75.00	75.00	0.00	695.00
Expense	5,448.24	41,877.45	131,901.45	45,051.46
TOTAL REVENUE	10,974.10	52,055.67	138,830.00	62,806.44
TOTAL EXPENSE	5,448.24	41,877.45	131,901.45	45,051.46
NET INCOME (DEFICIT)	5,525.86	10,178.22	6,928.55	17,754.98



Meeting Notes

<https://forum.ilgisa.org/t/prof-dev-meeting-july-2026/456/2#p-1357-meeting-notes-1>

Thursday, July 23, 2026 at 14:00

Attendance

- Burt McAlpine
- Chris Merino
- Hunter Ray
- Britney West
- Josh Carlson

Virtual Workshop

Workshop dates and topics are picked out. Burt, Hunter, and Josh will each be leading a workshop. Each will prepare some materials and make them available ahead of time.

Josh will create a private subcategory in the forum to help facilitate this. Live portion of workshop will be conducted through voice chat / screen share plugin on the forum itself.

Will communicate with Outreach to get a registration form / email sent out to members.

Annual Conference

General discussion of the conference. No significant changes from previous discussions. Committee members should reach out to try and secure workshops and panelists.

Webinars

July webinar happened the day before the meeting. Usual attendance numbers.

Dan Bartlett is trying to line up a webinar for August, waiting to hear back.

Additional webinars tentatively planned for November / December, but presenters can't commit to a date this far out. Josh will follow up in the fall.

September still open. No October webinar due to annual conference.

ILGISA Program Committee

7/21/2026

Recapped Chicago Regional

Discussed Keynote options

Maggie Cawley-Executive Director for OpenStreetMap US

Martin Gamache-Chief Cartographer, National Geographic

Adding a dedicated GeoLounge column to the schedule

Reserving the whole bowling alley for Monday night Social

Josh created and is updating the interactive agenda

<https://ilgisa-agenda.jcarlson.page/>

Raised costs slightly to cover expected lower attendance