

**URISA ONTARIO CHAPTER**  
**AGM Script**  
**Black Creek Pioneer Village, 1000 Murray Ross Parkway, Toronto Ontario**  
**Wednesday May 9, 2012**

*Lena*

President calls the meeting to order and welcomes attendees to AGM

Time: 9:02 am

*Dianne*

**NOTICE OF MEETING**

The Secretary, Dianne Adams, confirmed that proper notice for the meeting was given. Notice of the meeting was mailed April 26, 2012 in compliance with Section 32 of Bylaw #1, which states that,

“Notice of the Annual General Meeting must be mailed to all members not less than 14 days prior to the meeting”.

*Dianne*

**DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

A quorum, of at least 10 active members attended, therefore, the Annual General Meeting of URISA - Ontario Chapter is duly constituted.

*Lena*

**MINUTES OF 2011 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF URISA - ONTARIO CHAPTER**

Those in attendance at the meeting were advised that copies of last year’s AGM minutes dated May 3, 2011 were available at the registration desk.

*Lena*

**Motion**

The Minutes of the AGM held May 3, 2011 at Black Creek Pioneer Village, 1000 Murray Ross Parkway, Toronto Ontario be approved.

Moved by: **Susan Port**

Seconded by: **Catherine Fitzgerald**

The motion was carried by a show of hands.

**President’s Report**

*Annual Report review by Lena Gomes*

**Motion**

The President’s Report is received as prepared.

Moved by: **Melanie Wawryk**

Seconded by: **Susan Port**

Motion carried by a show of hands

*Dianne*

**Auditors Report**

The Board at the pre AGM meeting approved the Auditor's report. Highlights of the report were made available to the members at the registration desk.

**Motion**

The Financial Statement and Auditors Report prepared by Shore, Newman & Rose is accepted.

Moved by : **Catherine Fitzgerald**

Seconded by : **Chris Wilkinson**

Motion carried by a show of hands.

*Dianne*

**APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR**

**Motion**

Be it resolved that the firm of Shore, Newman and Rose be re-appointed as Auditor of the Association until the next annual meeting at a remuneration to be fixed by the Directors. The Directors are hereby authorized to fix such remuneration.

Motion moved by: **Catherine Fitzgerald**

Seconded by: **Melanie Wawryk**

Motion carried by a show of hands

*Lena*

**ELECTION / NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Nominations received to date are:

**Todd Chapman**

**Laura Neher**

**Rob Rishchynski**

Call for Nominations from the floor: **none**

**NEW BUSINESS**

The members were asked if there was any new business. There being no new business the Chair asked for a motion to adjourn the Annual General Meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion**

The 2009 Annual General Meeting is adjourned.

Moved by: **Catherine Fitzgerald**

Seconded by: **Susan Port**

Motion carried by a show of hands.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:15 am

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**In Attendance:**

Lena Gomes  
Sandra Crutcher  
Melanie Wawryk  
Dianne Adams  
Catherine Fitzgerald  
Catherine Baldelli  
Todd Chapman  
Chris Wilkinson  
Laura Neher  
Robert Rishchynski  
Susan Port  
Jasna Filipovic

**APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS**

Appointment of officers of the Association for 2012/2013.

**Robert Rishchynski** – President

**Todd Chapman** – Secretary / Treasurer

Nominated by: **Lena Gomes / Lena Gomes**

Seconded by: **Dianne Adams / Robert Rishchynski**

On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried.

**Susan Port** - Vice President.

Nominated by: **Lena Gomes**

Seconded by: **Chris Wilkinson**

On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried.

**Chapter Committees**

To be determined

All other appointments will be made at the first Board Meeting of the new Executive.

**Other Business**

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:12 pm.

Moved by: **Susan Port**

Seconded by: **Jasna Filipovic**

The motion was carried by a show of hands.

## Appendix 1 President's Annual Report



### 2011-2012 URISA-Ontario Chapter Annual Report

#### The Year in Review

Lena Gomes  
URISA-OC President  
2011-2012

#### Introduction

2011-2012 year has been a successful year for URISA-OC. With the strength and dedication of our Board of Directors and volunteers, we have provided relevant, innovative and well attended events, informative eNewsletters and eBlasts, and have attracted new members. We have also listened to the feedback of our members to make improvements along the way. We provided 2 events in 2011/2012 that were educational in nature, the Webex continuation of 'GIS and the Law' and 'Cartography for the GIS Professional. Hosting these workshops instead of our usual presentation style events was a major change from recent years and has proved to be a success. We have also tried to reach out to members and new members outside of the GTA by holding our winter event in Peterborough, Ontario. By doing so, we attracted more eastern members who appreciated the location.

#### 2011-2012 Highlights

URISA-OC's Directors and Committee volunteers continue to put forth high quality events, publications and services to our members. They continue to devote time and effort to ensure that the members of URISA-OC receive good value for their membership dollars. The following outlines some of the major achievements of 2011-2012.

Our Chapter was awarded the Chapter of the Year at the URISA International Annual General Meeting, held November 1, 2011 in Indianapolis, Indiana. Each year, URISA recognizes an outstanding Chapter that has sponsored particularly effective activities or has otherwise excelled in serving its membership. Outstanding Chapter Award criteria include:

- Innovation
- Outreach
- Education
- Community Impact

This is the third year that URISA-OC has won Chapter of the year. Previously won, in 2003 and 1996.

#### **Program Committee**

2011-2012 program year was once again a success. The Program Committee, led by Catherine Fitzgerald, and sub-committee volunteers include John Bacon, Walid Belal, Tracey Boitson, and Frank Goehner. They organized three program events, and played a major role in the program organization for the 2011 and 2012 BeSpatial event. A summary of the events include:

- 2011 URISA-OC Geospatial Go Green was held later in the summer, Wednesday, August 24th this year at Carlisle Golf and Country Club. The morning was filled with vendor presentations

followed by a wonderful afternoon on the greens. Thank you to our sponsors of the day: Cansel, ESRI Canada, First Base Solutions, and Teranet

- Special Webinar Event: On Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, we held our first member webinar event. It was a continuation of our GIS and the Law workshop held in February. Presented by Elizabeth Symons from the Miller Thomson law firm, this webinar answered many follow-up questions from the February workshop and was well attended.
- 2011 Fall Event held on Tuesday November 22, 2011, at the Canadian Canoe Museum in Peterborough, Ontario. The Theme of the event was: Where are We? Updates from the Province, Local Government, Conservation Authorities and the Private Sector.
- 2011 Winter workshop event was another great success. It was held at BraeBenGolf Course again this year and covered: Cartography for the GIS Professional. Facilitated by Paul Heersink's from Esri Canada and co-author of "Maps and Mapping for Canadian Kids", published by Scholastic Canada in 2011, the day brought us back to the 'Basics', to Understand how to use fonts, legends, spacing and graphic design, symbols and charts to effectively communicate your message! This one day education event will give you the tools to understand how cartography applies and the benefits.

### **AGM/BeSpatial Committee**

The 2011 AGM/Be Spatial'11 Committee, led by Alison Munro and committee members Ryan Poyntz, Melanie Wawryk, Dianne Adams, and Sandra Crutcher, organized another well attended and successful Conference. It was held on Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 at Black Creek Pioneer Village in North York. The more intimate venue made it easy to network with colleagues and the 'Town Hall' portion of the day was a huge success. Thank you to all our sponsors for supporting this event. Our gold sponsors included: AOLS, Cansel, Consortech, ESRI Canada, First Base Solutions, LIO, SKE, Teranet. Congratulations to all winners.

### **Communications & Web**

The Communication Committee, chaired by Susan Port consists of another strong group of individuals, which includes, Chris Aspila, Paul Beach and Ashleigh Harris, and Web Committee led by Chris Wilkinson. Our new eNewsletter and eBlasts continue to be a success. Susan Port and Chris Wilkinson have put in many hours to ensure that this format continues to function functioning effectively and contains the most recent news and events. Thank you Communications committee.

### **Member & Education Services**

Member & Education Services, led by Melanie Wawryk continues to set new initiatives to increase member services, re-engage education institutions and re-inforces our member database. Melanie also assists in organizing the awards for the annual BeSpatial event.

### **Finance**

Our Director of Finance, Dianne Adams, continues to control the URISA-OC finances and is also responsible for the book keeping and liaising with the association's auditors. Dianne also assists in organizing the Map Gallery for the annual BeSpatial event.

Thank you Directors and Committee volunteers for your continued volunteer hours and making 2011-2012 another informative and successful year.

## **Acknowledgements**

URISA-OC would like to acknowledge and thank the organizations who employ our Board members and committee volunteers. Having the support from one's employer is beneficial and very important to the success of URISA-OC. These organizations are:

AECOM, Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority, City of Toronto, City of Vaughan, City of Kitchener, City of Windsor, Conservation Ontario, Esri Canada, Golder & Associates, MPAC, Municipality of Chatham-Kent, Region of Halton, Town of Milton, Town of Oakville, and Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank our Executive Director, Sandra Crutcher who from year to year continues to play such a pivotal role behind the scenes for URISA-OC. She assists the board in many ways and keeps the Board on track.

Our past president, Catherine Baldelli continues to be a great support to the board, in lending a helping hand and providing support wherever needed. Thank you Catherine.

I would also like to recognize some of our members for their 10, 20 and 25 year membership.

The following individuals have been members of URISA-OC for 10 years:

Angela Monaco - City of Hamilton  
Brian Lamondin - Region of Waterloo  
Catherine Fitzgerald - Municipality of Chatham-Kent  
Chris Ferrie - Norfolk County  
Farouk Rohoman - Niagara Region  
Gord McElravy - Autodesk Canada Inc.  
Jason Davis - County of Renfrew  
Jason Melindy - City of Toronto  
Jennifer Leadley Mazurek - Niagara Region  
Joseph Lin - Infrastructure Ontario  
Karen Canali - City of Niagara Falls, Canada  
Karen Fraser - United Counties of Leeds and Grenville  
Levin Rodriguez - Cansel Survey Equipment  
Marc Curtis - First Base Solutions Inc.  
Roman Kuczynski - Peel Region  
Scott Webb - City of Toronto  
Steve Spezzaferro - Infrastructure Ontario  
Tina Newsham - MPAC  
Yogesh Shah - City of Cambridge  
Wilna Finlay - City of Mississauga

Inductees to our 20 years of membership are:

Jerry Shestowsky - City of Oshawa  
Margaret Parkin - Region of Waterloo  
Ralph J Benedict - Baker & Benedict Surveying Inc.  
Shelley Crosby - City of Oshawa

25 Year members include:

Alex Miller - Esri Canada  
Jury Konga - eGovFutures Group  
Lou Milrad - Miller Thomson LLP  
Ron Jaros - Region of Peel  
Sandra Crutcher - URISA-OC

Thank you all for your continued support.

**Closing Remarks**

On behalf of the Board, I extend a warm welcome to you to the AGM and Be Spatial event.