Minutes of the Meeting of the Nevada State Board on Geographic Names on May 13, 2008 at 10:05 AM

Present

Jack Hursh
Daril Crawford
Jeff Dunn
Ron Hess
John Burgess
Jordan Hastings
Skip Canfield
Susan Tingley
David McMorran
Jeff Kintop
Linda Newman
Eric Moody
Peg Rees
Wanda Taylor

*Susan Tingley:* The first agenda item are the minutes of the May 8th, 2007 meeting. Would those members that were board members and present during the May 8th, 2007 meeting have any comments, suggestions, admissions, corrections...

*Member:* I move we accept the minutes as written.

*Member:* I second.
Susan Tingley: Been moved and seconded that the minutes be approved as written. All those in favor?

Everyone: 1.

Susan Tingley: Thank you. Now we do have some new board members. The Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology has director, John Price, has appointed Jordan Hastings as our member and Ron Hess as the alternate. Uh, I would like to go around the table and introduce everyone. We do have, also present today, a couple of candidates for the executive position, head executive secretary position, which are not required to be board members. They can be appointed from any agency which is represented on the board. So we do have a couple of, of candidates, visitors, present in addition to our new representatives from the Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology. I’m Susan Tingley. I’m the outgoing chairman. I’ve been chairman for twenty years and I’ve done my duty. Um, I did represent the Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology.

Linda Newman: I’m Linda Newman from DeLaMare Library at UNR. I’ve been on the board since about...give or take ’82.

Jack Hursh: Jack Hursh, Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology.

Jordan Hastings: Jordan Hastings, also the Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology.


Jeff Dunn: Jeff Dunn, Nevada Department of Transportation.

John Burgess: John Burgess, Nevada Department of Transportation.

David McMorran: David McMorran, US Forest Service.


Peg Rees: Peg Rees, UNLV.

Jeff Kintop: Jeff Kintop, Nevada State Library and Archives.

Skip Canfield: Skip Canfield, State Lands and State Planning Agency.

Joe Tingley: Joe Tingley. I’m the operating executive secretary.

Eric Moody: Eric Moody. I’m with the Nevada Historical Society.
Susan Tingley: The next item on the agenda is the election of a chairman, a vice chairman, and the executive secretary. Um, lacking the formal nominating committee I called everyone on the board a couple of weeks ago and decided to solicit as much as possible candidates throughout the institution, uh, because they do take some work and we don’t get any pay. So, uh, it is a volunteer organization. Each agency has a member and an alternate. It is not necessary for the member to do the voting but the alternate could vote for the agency. Um, we have got...it must be terribly intimidating cause no one had ever run for chairman or executive secretary before but now that you’ve got, now that you’re losing us we did have some candidates that have offered to run. There is one ballot per agency and, it has been decided, two polls for your agency as you see fit. Nevada Tribal Council, there is only one of you so that’s confusing...US Forest Service. I’m going to have each of the candidates...BLM...obviously take off the green sticky before you turn the ballot in. Unless you want me to know who’s voting that’s fine too. If we could start with our candidates for chairman; John, would you like to just say a word or two about who you are to us and why you’d make a great leader. Just anything you feel is appropriate for us to know. Just so you’re more than a – a name.

John Burgess: A name on the ballot. My name is John Burgess, obviously. I’m the chief cartographer for the Nevada Department of Transportation, and, uh, my main reason for running for chairman is I want to carry on the great work that Susan has been doing, and I think I can do that.

Susan Tingley: Linda.

Linda Newman: Well, I’m not sure anyone can follow you two, but since you of course field us to agree to do it, um. I’ve been on the board for quite a long time. I know at least most of you who’ve been around a little while. I should know more of you, but I would also really like to try to follow these folks as a chair.

Susan Tingley: Yes. Anyone else who would like to volunteer we can hand write names in. Volunteers? Did I slight anyone that really wanted a chance? Okay. Candidates for the vice chairman, it’s sort of an interesting relationship. If it turns out to be too much for Linda, Jordan, who feels he does not quite have the qualities for exec might be interested. He will be back up for vice chairman or chairman, whoever the chair is. Jordan, would you like to say a few words?

Jordan Hastings: Certainly, um, I’m relatively new to the Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology. I’m the chief cartographer, so I’m following in the footsteps of Susan and Ron I suppose. Um, I’m finishing a PhD at UC-Santa Barbara, topography essentially, so it’s an area that’s familiar to me and quite interesting. I think it’s geographic names is the smallest
GIS and still doesn’t work. So it’s a great pleasure to have an opportunity to be in this room with (unintelligible) and participate with _____ in the past (unintelligible).

*Susan Tingley:* Thank you, Jordan. For executive secretary we have candidates from 3 different agencies. Um, John and I have found that being an executive secretary and chairman work closely together works very well. That there all a lot of times that tasks that can be done by either one of us. And it works nicely here. I’m having a bad week or I am very busy on a project...usually in the old days. But I could ask Joe to take care of something that normally I might do. I he had something coming up...research project, I could take over an do a little more correspondence. So it works well. But we’ve got 3 candidates. Jeff, would you like to say a word?

*Jeff Dunn:* K, I’m Jeff Dunn, I’m with the compartment - Department of Transportation. I’ve been there for about twenty years. And obviously I’m not working.(unintelligible) I’ve done a little bit of research. (unintelligible)I might be interested in a job.