# Agenda

# MAGIRT Executive Board Meeting

## May 26, 2026

**Time: May 26, 3:00 PM Eastern Time via [Zoom]**

**Present: Susan Moore, Iris Taylor, Laura McElfresh, Shonn M. Haren (Cal-Pomona, smharen@cpp.edu), Sam Kim, Tammy Wong, Min Zhang, Tim Kiser**

**Regrets:**

1. **Call to order - 3:00 pm Eastern**
2. **Call for changes to Agenda — none**
3. **Secretary--Minutes from past meeting**
   a. Minutes from the March 24 meeting were distributed via email for correction and approval and will be published in *base line* 47:2 (June 2026, forthcoming). Minutes from this meeting will also be published in the June issue if I can get them together in time, September if not.
4. **Officer Reports**
   a. **Chair**
      i. PowerPoint slides on main stage at ALA conference - we get 3 slides, need to be submitted in PNG format. Current draft of slide has logo, name, & URL for webpage. Iris suggests listing out vacancies we are trying to fill. Susan will put a plug for getting involved with MAGIRT, as we are a welcoming group ("contact Susan, Iris, or Laura")
      ii. Round Table Spectacular program - Theme is Libraries at the End of the World; program is in October. Need
         1. Could talk about maps showing effects of climate change (melting ice caps, etc.), what's in store for the Earth with respect to plate tectonics, new rift valley forming in Africa
         2. Shonn suggests "Nuke Map": simulates the effects of nuclear war. DoD has also put out maps estimating damage of thermonuclear war in Europe
      iii. ALA Annual: Danielle contacted Susan with opportunities for MAGIRT at ALA: "Huddles"; volunteer spotlight at desk in ALA Lounge
         1. Susan has put in a proposal for "Huddles" (20 min discussions), asking for Saturday morning 6/27 at either 9am or 10am. We'll find out if/what time slot we got on June 19th. Susan will lead the discussion; Laura will take notes.
         2. Deadline is tomorrow for volunteer spotlight. They would want 2 volunteers to staff the information desk for a 2-hour slot. Iris volunteers — has to check her schedule bc needs to also work the LC booth. Susan will coordinate with Iris & then will sign them up on the spreadsheet. Tammy points out that when ALA was in DC, the Lounge desk was in a heavy-foot-traffic area — lots of visitors, a good opportunity to talk about maps & MAGIRT!
   b. **Vice Chair**
      i. Traditional tour (usually but not necessarily Friday afternoon)
         1. Iris contacted the Newberry library for Friday; they were all booked up. Wrote back re: Saturday and has not heard back yet. Also looked at restaurants near the Newberry. (Need to note: Chair's Program is Saturday at 1pm.)

        2. The National Geographic museum is closed for renovations & will reopen on June 26th — surely cutting too close for us!
        3. University of Illinois: hasn't heard back from them yet either.
    ii. Dinner: not doing the private room or anything, but would like to have an informal dinner (Saturday?), MAGIRT's treat. Iris will check with Danielle to see if we can do that.
    iii. Any suggestions are welcome!
        1. Tammy suggests University of Chicago's underground storage. (MAGIRT has toured there before but it was a while back.) Tim points out that U. of Chicago's map curator, Brendan Whyte, is fairly newly arrived from the National Library of Australia. Brendan might be an interesting tour guide!
    iv. Sam talked to Danielle about repurposing funds (from the Awards Dinner we're not having) for travel to a remote site for our tour. She said this was fine, but needed clear language when reporting the non-dinner expenditure. Iris will also follow up with Danielle re: non-private-room dinner.

c. **Secretary**
    i. Apologies for having to reschedule this meeting! I did not have my stuff together last week and the meeting crept up on me.
    ii. I have created a [Zoom meeting] for the MAGIRT Membership & Board meetings at ALA so we can bootleg a virtual option. If someone else could bring a laptop to be the Zoom broadcaster, that would be helpful because my work machine doesn't have a rear camera. (Susan will bring hers. Also no rear camera. Min has offered a webcam.) The meetings at ALA are in a hotel (bonus: they're in two different rooms!) so we'll probably have to use a phone hotspot for wifi. We will get this done!
    iii. CCC will NOT be on-site at ALA; Tim will schedule a virtual meeting after conference (early/mid-July). MAC will meet July 22, probably after CCC. Susan will have the MAC papers available for CCC to discuss for feedback.
    iv. We will have Carto Cat IG; Chair's Program; and Membership and Board meetings on site

d. **Webmaster** — not present

e. **Treasurer**
    i. Too late for scholarships or travel grants (those have to go through ALA approval). For next year, if we wanted to do a grant for students or someone else to try & get new people to MAGIRT, we could do that; just need more lead time.

f. **Past Chair** — not present

5. **Old Business —** covered during officer reports
6. **New Business**
    i. Election Results — Laura got elected VC/CE and will do a year (unless it proves too much) as both Secretary/*base line* editor and VC/CE.
    ii. Shonn is willing to step in & volunteer for something! We will get back to him about where help is needed the most.
    iii. Should we try to re-examine some of our vacant committees and groups, perhaps merge or discontinue them? After changeover, Susan as Past Chair will be chair of the Bylaws Committee. We can look at it then.
7. **Committee/DG/IG Reports**
    a. **Bylaws & Governing Documents/Nominations & Awards Committee**
    b. **Cataloging & Classification Committee**

    i. We can have CCC in what would've been the MAGIRT Board meeting slot: July 21st 3pm Eastern.

c. **Education Committee** (Kristina) — not here
d. **Geographic Technologies (GeoTech)/GODORT GIS DG** — vacant
e. **Membership & Marketing Committee** — vacant
f. **Online Presence & Publications Committee (OPPC)** —vacant
g. **Cataloging of Cartographic Resources IG**
    i. Meeting Sunday morning at ALA
h. **Map Collection Management DG** — vacant
i. **Freedom to Read Foundation** (Iris)
    i. No update currently
j. **WAML liaison report**
    i. WAML elections are underway, including a vote on whether to hold their 2027 conference in Milwaukee (requires a vote because it is outside of WAML's primary region). Kathy will provide a report including election results at the June meeting.
k. **CC:DA Report**
    i. CC:DA is reviewing some proposals; Min will compile a report for the July CCC meeting.

8. **Next meeting:** Sunday, June 28, 2026 at ALA Annual (Chicago) at the Hyatt Regency McCormick. We will try to offer a Zoom option but it will be very much a DIY setup.
    a. **Membership Meeting:** 10:00-10:50 am Central, Hyatt Regency McCormick, Grant Park C
    b. **Executive Board Meeting:** 11:00-11:50 am Central, Hyatt Regency McCormick, Superior

9. **Adjournment**