Agenda

2015 Meeting of the U.S. National Section
Pan American Institute of Geography and History
SUNY Buffalo State University
Buffalo, NY
March 4 and 5, 2015

Wednesday, March 4

11:00 – 12:00 Optional U.S. Delegation Lunch
Buffalo State Campus House
1300 Elmwood Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14222

12:00 – 12:30 Welcoming Remarks
Cleveland Hall 418
- Bettina Martinez-Hackert, Department of Earth Sciences and Science Education, SUNY Buffalo State University
- Jorge Bajo Sanchez, Department of Geography, University of Buffalo
  - Meeting Room and Safety Logistics

12:30 – 12:45 Opening Remarks
- Deirdre Bishop, President, USNS
  - Introductions
  - Overview of Meeting Agenda
  - USNS Updates
12:45 – 1:15  **USNS Discussion Items**
- USNS Roster Update – Ally Johnson
- USNS Annual Report Discussion – Deirdre Bishop/Paul Cooper
- USNS Membership Recruitment – Paul Cooper
  - To get people involved in recruiting
  - Set our process for getting a person to commit
  - Determining commitment level for a new person
- USNS Brochure – Paul Cooper

1:15 – 2:00  **Remarks from the Secretary General of PAIGH**
- Rodrigo Barriga, PAIGH Secretary General

2:00 – 2:15  **Break**

2:15 – 3:00  **Institute Updates**
- Significant Institute Dates and Deadlines – Jean Parcher
- Cartography Commission Award – Dolly García Jové

3:00 – 5:00  **Invited Presentations by USNS Members and Guests**
- Overview of Volunteered Geographic Information – Elizabeth McCartney
- PAIGH attendance at Extraordinary International Hydrographic Conference - Paul Cooper

5:00  **Meeting Adjourns**

6:00  **Delegation Dinner**

**Thursday, March 5**

9:00 - 9:15  **U.S. Permanent Mission to the Organization of American States - State Department**
- Melissa Kopolow McCall, U.S. Mission to the OAS

- 2014 Projects
  - Advanced Degrees in Geoscience (2013 and 2014) – Jorge Bajo Sanchez
- 2015 Projects
  - Network for Geographic Learning – Osvaldo Muñiz-Solari
  - Study of the Santa Ana Volcano in El Salvador – Jorge Bajo Sanchez

10:15 – 11:15  2016 Project Proposals
- Project Proposals Timeline – Deirdre Bishop
- Guidelines for Submitting Proposals Electronically – Patricia Solis
- Presentation on Project Proposals Available for Submission
  - Gulf of Fonseca Project – Paul Cooper
  - Eruption of San Miguel Volcano, El Salvador – Bettina Martinez-Hackert and Jorge Bajo Sanchez
- Brainstorm on Possible Multi-Commission Project Proposals

11:15 – 12:00 Reports by Commission Representatives
- Commission on History – Erick Langer
- Commission on Geophysics – Jorge Bajo Sanchez
- Commission on Geography – David Salisbury/Diana Sinton
- Commission on Cartography – Paul Cooper

12:00 – 1:45 Informal Lunch Discussion with Buffalo State Professors
Buffalo State Campus House

1:45 – 2:00 Group Photo

2:00 – 3:15 Invited Presentations by USNS Members and Guests
Room Change – Cleveland Hall 205
- Resource Conflict in Perú – David Salisbury

3:15 – 4:00
- History of the Americas – Erick Langer

4:00 – 5:00 Final Recap for Open Discussion

5:00 Meeting Adjourns