



Idaho-Montana Chapter
of
American Society of Landscape Architects

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2008 @ 1:00 MDT, 12:00 PM

A. Call to Order:

1. **Present:** Jolene Rieck, Angela Hanson, Jim Mihan, Bill LaRue, Olivia Spyra, Toby Norton, Eirik Heikes, Kent Watson, Keith Dixon
2. **Absent:**
3. **Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:** Motion made by Toby Norton and second by Angela Hanson to approve March meeting minutes.

B. President's Report– Jolene Rieck

1. Chapter membership status:
 - a) Current chapter membership: 118
 - b) New Members: 2; Berry S. Ellison, Coeur d' Alene, ID; Daniel J. Willers, VLA, Victor, ID
 - c) Lapsed Members: 0
2. Truby Leadership Workshop
 - a) June in Seattle- Angela & Olivia are signed up
3. CLARB Letter: Board reviewed it in March and sent response indicating no decision will be made until at least June for Montana licensure
4. Montana Licensure Campaign: Bill will reimburse mileage to Helena (\$672.40)
5. National Landscape Architecture Month: Western and Eastern Montana have plans as discussed under Section Activity Report

C. Trustee Report – Jim Mihan

1. Report: Funding for the National Arboretum; NLIC Act:
2. Starting a priority setting and program review for the upcoming years.
3. BOT & CPC coming up in May in Washington D.C.- Eirik attending
4. HALS- has new on-line link on ASLA website for each chapters liaison
5. STTP- reholding workshop in Denver- doesn't see any need for us to send someone from the chapter level

D. Treasurer's Report – Bill LaRue Balance: \$15,943.45

1. Investment Account status: \$5000 in CD
2. Financial Report: Treasurer's Report was approved as submitted. Was an invoice sent to 2M Company for advertising Turf University? Bill will follow up
3. Budget Report: received \$50 checks from new sponsors; Custom Pools and Patio and New West Publishing, LLC
4. Tax Filing: due May 15th

E. Section Activity Reports

1. **Northern Lights – Keith Dixon**
2. **Olmsted Group – Jim Mihan**
 - a) Getting feedback from last months ordinance work
 - b) No active meeting this month
3. **Western Montana – Kent Watson**

- a) MSU-Bozeman- contract amount has been approved for the accreditation feasibility study; Kent will begin background work on this
 - b) Bill Pond (chair of LA option in Horticulture Dept) will be leaving MSU at end of summer- University will be advertising for an LA to teach
 - c) No meeting lined up
4. **Eastern Montana – Angela Hansen**
- a) Party on the Planet at Zoo Montana- Sat. April 26th, cost \$300 sponsorship to participate- gives a booth and get on the Zoo's website- Eirik and Angela will talk with Kim Nelson and see if she would be willing to organize and watch booth Move to seconded by Angela Hansen, motion carried
 - b) Considering a fundraising Golf Tournament- potential dates, place, costs to be relayed to EXCOM by Angela

F. Liaison Officer's Reports

- 1. Montana Board: *Shelly Engler*; April 15th meeting at MSU-Bozeman- discuss licensure with landscape architecture and architecture student, hopes to make plans for the LARE in Montana and resume active participation with CLARB
- 2. Idaho Board: *Bill Dial*; A new fee for the Landscape
- 3. QBS: *Jim Mihan*; No meeting
- 4. Idaho Forestry Council: *Doug Russell*; No report
- 5. Idaho Smart Growth: *Jon Breckon*; No report
- 6. Historic American Landscapes (HALS): *Jim Mihan- ID, Kent Watson-MT*; No report.
- 7. Surface Transportation Partnership Program: *Eirik & Jim*; Jim will put a blurb in together for the newsletter

G. Old Business

- 1. Website update- *Keith and Eirik*
 - a) For all: web site updates should be sent to Webmaster Steve Davidson at sdsd26@verizon.net - Toby has images of projects from the awards to be emailed to Steve
- 2. Student Chapter UILA – *Keith*
 - a) Four jurors needed for senior thesis work at UI on April 26th
- 3. Student Affiliate Chapter at MSU –*Eirik*
 - a) 15 students who have pledged to support student affiliate chapter and one of two professors
 - b) They have sent a curriculum to EXCOM; Motion made by Kent Watson for the sponsorship of a student affiliate chapter at MSU-Bozeman, seconded by Angela Hanson. Motion carried. Eirik will send the letter off to nationals.
- 4. Standing Committees:
 - a) Sponsorship *Eirik*; 6 potential sponsors to whom Jolene and Eirik will send out letters
 - b) Communications (*Toby Norton & Lance Foster*): Will get a review out to EXCOM prior to publishing for month of April
 - c) Membership *Olivia*; Participated in the tele-conference for the Chapter Membership Chairs- three speakers spoke on the benefits of being an ASLA member and ways in which to seek out new members
- 5. Licensure Summit –*Toby Norton & Eirik Heikes*
 - a) June 20-22 in Madison, WI
- 6. Annual Report - *Keith* working on it

H. New Business

1. Rendezvous 2009 – Jim Mihan to follow up with U of ID
2. New West Conference Display Booth: Jennie Meinershagen will be our representative at the conference
3. National Parks Service - Alex Stone, Wed. April 30th 1:00 MDT/12:00 PDT
4. Zoo Montana – Motion made by Eirik to participate in the Zoo Montana event on April 26th for \$300, contingent upon finding a delegate to get Booth to Billings & ‘man’ it at the event. Angela seconded. Motion carried.

I. Adjournment: 2:00 MDT/1:00 PM

Next Meeting: Teleconference Wednesday, May 14th at 1:00 MDT/12:00 PM PDT