

IDAHO/MONTANA ASLA EXCOM

January 3, 2002 Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Dave Koga
Jim Mihan
Debowden Bauer
Kim Warren
Beth Chandler
Mary McGowen

Begin 4:30 pm.

Treasurer's Report

- All Excom members received a Treasurer's Report via email. Dave stated that we will be able to follow a more defined future budget.

BOT (Board of Trustee) Report

- All Excom members received a BOT Report via email. Based on the contents, Dave mentioned that in future due to boundaries, Idaho and Montana split into separate chapters.

Sections Reports

- Olmsted – Olmsted's main focus right now is on the Storm water Conference. There have been many calls made to try and get help.
- West Montana – Dave mentioned that there had been a request for money for a particular (unknown at the time of mention) group. It was suggested, despite knowing what group, that if the Section matches the contribution of ASLA it may be feasible to provide the money, but definitely not without the match. This comment was made based on the number of requests for money in the past.
- Other Sections – Dave will be in contact with all Sections asking them to provide information about their current focus on a regular basis. This will allow us to have continual updates as to what they are up to.

OLD BUSINESS

Legislative Breakfast

- Agenda
Begin at 7:30, giving 15 to 20 minutes to begin eating before starting the program.

Dave Koga (5 min.)– Introductions, concentrating on the diversity of LA’s

Speakers:

- 1.) Gregg Strudevant (5 min.) –Chair, Idaho State Board of Landscape Architects, CLARB
- 2.) Steve Drown (5 min.) – Chair, University of Idaho Landscape Architecture Program
- 3.) Don Belts (5 min.) – Practitioner: Principal, Jensen Belts & Assoc.
- 4.) Debowden Bauer (5 min.) – Practitioner: Principal, Ivy Design
- 5.) Jon Mueller (5 min.) – Practitioner: Principal, Hatch Mueller & Assoc.
- 6.) Julia Lent (5 min.) – National ASLA Manager of State Government Affairs

Dave Koga – Closing and Questions & Answers

- Deb’s last count on those planning to attend was 55.
- Dave will contact the suggested speakers listed above to ask if they will speak.
- Beth will take notes, concentrating on questions asked by the legislators.
- Dave will ask someone from his office to take pictures.
- Deb will make door signs (one for outdoor, one for indoor) to lead people to the Rose Room.
- Julia Lent will be in Monday afternoon. Those attending the breakfast will meet with her from 3:30 to 5:00 at the State Parks Conference Room.
- Side Note: Mary mentioned that Dave Curtis, Engineering Board Administrator, volunteered to meet with Rayola to help with the language in the licensure modification.

Newsletter

- Discussion regarding the opportunity for the Manager and Editor of the newsletter to be paid by commission of the ads, or stipend plus commission.
- After some discussion, it was decided that it would be okay to do a small stipend up front and commission after that. Dave will sit down with Toby to discuss how long the stipend will last.
- Debowden added the fact that we need to be very careful because we will be establishing a precedent in making this a paid position. She mentioned that we are using a Landscape Architect both because they know our business and to save money. Therefore, if we are going to pay someone the newsletter has to have a higher standard.
- There was also further discussion regarding Kim working as the Editor of the newsletter.

Traveling Panel

- The Traveling Panel will be at the Legislative Breakfast on Jan. 10 and moved immediately to the Capital Building for the remainder of the week. It will be displayed at the INA Show on Jan. 15 – 16, and in Montana the first week in

- March. There was some discussion about displaying it during National Landscape Architecture Week in the mall or another public location.
- It was discussed that it will typically be non-manned, however there may be times when we will want someone with the display to answer questions, etc. This will be decided on a case by case basis.

Awards Committee

- Rodney has made the appropriate changes to last years awards application. He asked for a brief review which Kim was able to provide by the end of the meeting.
- The plan is to mail the applications out to all Idaho ASLA members by next Wednesday, Jan. 10. The deadlines for submittals will be Mar. 15 so that the awards can be presented during National Landscape Architecture week in April.
- Further details on the schedule will be discussed in the future.

NEW BUSINESS

Sources and Design Expo

- Jim introduced the Sources & Design Expo to the ExCom. It is an exposition for professional resources available to Idaho homeowners and businesses planning renovations (i.e. interior designers, architects, landscape architects, etc.). We, the Idaho/Montana ASLA Chapter, have been asked whether or not we would be willing to support this Expo beginning in 2003. The details of our “support” would be as follows:
 - No monetary cost.
 - Bill Dial would be the point of contact (most likely).
 - Our mailing list would be provided to the Expo.
 - ASLA name/logo would be displayed as a supporter.
 - Individual LA’s and/or individual companies may be asked to display.
- We discussed that the market would most likely be the homebuilders. At this point we are unsure about whether or not to involve our “support”, but it was suggested that we contact the AIA to see what their tale is before we decide.

Air Canada Ticket

- The cancellation of the National ASLA meeting in Montreal, due to the September 11 attacks, has left Deb with an Air Canada bill of approximately \$550. Air Canada will not refund the ticket, but has offered a credit that must be used within the next two years.
- The Chapter will pay for this ticket as originally planned. Deb has offered to find out if the ticket is transferable. If it is, we may be able to use it as a fundraiser and raffle it off.

Retreat

- We did not discuss the retreat, but Dave gave everyone the minutes and asked us to put some thought into it for the next meeting.

End 6:30 pm.