

IDAHO/MONTANA ASLA EXCOM

January 15, 2003 Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Dave Koga, President
Jim Mihan, President Elect
Debowden Bauer, Immediate Past President
Beth Chandler, Secretary
Doug Russell, Olmsted President

Begin 4:15 pm.

Minutes from last Meeting (Beth Chandler)

- The minutes from the November 6, 2002 meeting were briefly discussed and approved.

Treasurer's Report (Steve Davidson)

- A new report was received at the beginning of January.

Sections Reports (Dave Koga)

- No news to relate to Excom.

Trustee Report (Jon Mueller)

- A new report has not been received.

Montana Tech Council

- No news to relate to Excom.

QBS

- The last scheduled meeting has been postponed to February 19.

OLD BUSINESS

Licensure (Mary)

- Several Landscape Architects and prospective Landscape Architects were at the Capital Building on January 13 to meet with legislators to ask for support for our law modification. In general, many legislators stated that they would support the bill. Although it is still undecided at this time, we are considering asking Dick Compton to be our sponsor for the bill.
- On Friday, January 10, a few Engineers representing the Consulting Engineers of Idaho (CEI) came forward to request a few last minute language changes to the bill. They are requesting exemptions for developers, land planners, building contractors, etc....Does anyone want to elaborate on this for me??
- A board meeting will be held on Monday, January 20 where discussion will take place as to what language will be submitted for the final modification.

Rendezvous (Dave Koga – until further notice)

- Fred Orgam is no longer available to act as Chair for the Rendezvous although he has agreed to continue to help with it as much as possible.
- The estimated total cost for this year's Rendezvous is \$7000. Jon Mueller has projected that we should be able to break even on this event if we include money donated by sponsors. This projection is determined by a count of 40 professionals at \$120 and 60 students at \$40.
- Tom Dunbar's Leadership Training has been changed from Sunday morning to Friday afternoon.
- Outreach: As an incentive for people to come to this event, suggestions were made to consider price breaks for early registry and have block rates on hotels. Another suggestion made to help fund the event was to hand out a book to all attendees (to be used as a program and to take notes) that is full of local sponsors including restaurants coupons, etc. Jim will talk to either Fred or Jon to make sure the "checklist" for event preparation is being completed. Dave will be calling Stan Griswald in Coeur d'Alene to find out whom he has contacted about sponsorship. Depending on how many more calls need to be made, we may need to work together here in Boise to contact potential sponsors for the event.

Newsletter

- Dave will be talking to Toby to discuss the next newsletter.

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- The INA show will be held at the Western Idaho Fair Grounds on January 22, 23, and 24, 2003. The traveling panel will be there, and the Olmsted Section will be donating \$100.

Design Expo

- The Design Expo will be held the last week in January 2003. ASLA will be noted as a sponsor; however, no one in particular will be involved with the expo.

Membership Drive

- Due to the demands of the licensure update and Rendezvous preparation, the membership drive has been temporarily put on hold. If time permits, we will still try to do the drive in conjunction with the Rendezvous. (Note from November minutes: There was talk of working through Nationals to allow the principles of any office to get a deduction for all employees as an incentive to get more ASLA members.)

Chapter Budget (Jim Mihan)

- The budget developed by Jim was discussed by Excom. An additional account will be needed for “miscellaneous” items (those unexpected).
- We also discussed the high balance, and the fact that we are a non-profit organization. Further discussion is needed, but one recommendation for the excess money was scholarships for Landscape Architecture students.

NEW BUSINESS

Reimbursables (Dave Koga)

- Regarding miscellaneous items in the new budget, all expenses must be approved by Excom. One officer’s review is a priority, preferably the President and at least one other member of Excom.

End approx. 6:00 pm.