

# **IDAHO/MONTANA ASLA EXCOM**

## **June 6, 2002 Meeting Minutes**

### Attendees:

- Dave Koga, President
- Jim Mihan, President Elect
- Kim Warren, Vice President
- Beth Chandler, Secretary
- Debowden Bauer, Immediate Past President

Begin 3:00 pm.

### **Minutes from last Meeting (Beth Chandler)**

- The minutes from the April 3, 2002 meeting were briefly discussed and approved.

### **Treasurer's Report (Steve Davidson)**

- We are currently just under \$11,000.

### **Sections Reports (Dave Koga)**

- Big Sky Section – Reimbursables were approved for Fishers and Associates.
- Olmsted – The Awards Ceremony on May 9 went well. The next meeting is currently scheduled for July 3; however, this will probably be changed due to the holiday.

### **Trustee Report (Jon Mueller)**

- A report was recently received from Jon. The focus of his report was the moratorium on new chapters, and the news on federal grants.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Licensure (Debowden Bauer)**

- The modification is currently open to ASLA membership for review and comment, with a notice encouraging feedback within each license renewal. There are still a few outstanding issues that have not been addressed by the Board's attorney, though now is the time to note these.

- Dave suggested that we ask Mary and Rodger if we should forward the latest modification to Dave Curtis for his final review and suggestions.

### CIP (Dave Koga)

- As this year's CIP proposal, we intend to move forward with sending out 100 Year Anniversary issue of Landscape Architecture magazine to legislators as a means to educate and promote the upcoming licensure modification.
- Changes will be made to the Annual report, and it and the 2001 CIP project report, will be submitted in June, as part of the 2002 CIP proposal.

### Rendezvous (Dave Koga - until further notice)

- Dave received some good feedback after sending the chapter-wide email asking if anyone wants to be involved in planning or have any theme ideas for the Rendezvous next spring. Location suggestions included Missoula, Northern Idaho and Boise.
- There were four main topics that were considered as a theme:
  - 1.) Healing Gardens (focusing on design for senior citizens)
  - 2.) Visual Resource Assessment Process
  - 3.) National Monuments/BLM (15 new or added to monuments are being proposed)
  - 4.) Public Participation and Involvement Process and Tools
- After much discussion, the Excom decided that they prefer and support the rendezvous being held in Coeur d'Alene in 2003. There are three people in the northern Idaho (Jon Mueller, Fred Ogram and Don Brigham) area that either volunteered and/or can substantially help to head the planning. Dave will contact them and give them the freedom to choose the theme. The Excom also determined that Boise is the best venue for the Healing Gardens theme, and so will begin planning this rendezvous for the year 2005.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### Awards Glossy Poster (No current contact)

- Dave asked the Excom if the glossy should be done again this year. Concern was expressed over the fact that only one firm would be highlighted as a result of this year's awards program, and thus the chapter entire would be incurring costs for promotional literature for one firm. Therefore, it appears that the biannual program for awards, vs. an annual approach will generate more activity and result in more awards, thus justifying the expense of a glossy while representing more members. If in fact the biannual program still does not generate awards for more

- than one firm, the glossy issue will be delayed, and the awards carried over until the next award cycle, so that a number of awards can be issued together.
- A suggestion was made to the next awards committee to give the judges criteria to follow. This would include questions such as: What is the program? Did the entry achieve it? Was it achieved in a great way?

### **Chapter Presidents Council Report (CPC) (Jim Mihan)**

- Jim reviewed the agenda from at the Chapter Presidents Council that was held in Washington D.C. that he and Dave attended in April. The following is a brief outline of his review:
  - Three major lobby efforts by National ASLA
    - 1.) Urban Parks Renewal Act (UPAAR) – Lobby efforts conflicted due to funding conflicts with Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PELT)
    - 2.) Tea – 3 – very popular program where we are only pushing for the enhancements program to be fully funded
    - 3.) Community Character Act – funding for states to update planning and zoning at a state level
  - Leadership Committee - Tom Dunbar is leading effort in development of a program to train new ASLA leadership at local and national level
  - HALS – Presentation on Historic Landscape Survey
  - NLAW – Discussed how things work and how different chapters go about getting recognition
  - Sponsorship and revenue generation for Chapter activities – Discussed how to get this accomplished
  - Membership Recruitment and Retention: roundtable discussions helpful on this critical topic
  - ASLA – Wilderness Society Partnership
  - Enhanced On-Line Services
  - Licensure – 50 states by 2010
  - BLM – National Monuments – 15 monuments beginning to go through planning process in western states

### **Chapter Budget (Jim Mihan)**

- Jim will be putting a chapter budget report together in the near future.

### **Chapter Retreat Review (Dave Koga)**

- Dave and Jim will be “revisiting” the retreat discussions. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

End approx. 5:30 pm.