

IDAHO/MONTANA ASLA EXCOM

May 21, 2003 Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Dave Koga, President
Jim Mihan, President Elect
Beth Chandler, Secretary
Doug Russell, President Olmsted Section

Begin 4:15pm.

Minutes from last Meeting (Beth Chandler)

- The minutes from the February and March meetings were accepted.

Treasurer's Report (Steve Davidson)

- The new current balance will not be established until all figures from the recent Rendezvous have been checked.

Sections Reports (Dave Koga)

- Olmsted Section – President, Doug Russell attended the meeting to discuss the following three things:
 1. Western State Symposium – The topic of this conference will be water and urbanization as they relate to water use and reuse, storm water and water quality, and will be held in March of 2004 in Boise. Joan Meitl, an Environmental Consultant involved in administering the program, would like feedback on the program from the Excom. Doug will send all appropriate incoming email to the Excom as well as discuss at the next Olmsted meeting.
 2. Indiana Creek Charette – This charette is being planned for September, and we need to find a coordinator from Olmsted so that we can follow the steps that the three partners (City of Nampa, NPS and ACOE) are taking. Kim Warren and Don Belts were both mentioned as potential coordinators. Alex Stone, who has been coordinating with Doug on this project, would like to have *Landscape Architecture Magazine* cover this story in an upcoming issue. Don Brigham has submitted articles to the magazine in the past, so Jim offered to contact him and

- ask how to go about this. Doug or Dave will also contact Steve Drown at U of I to see about getting the students involved in the charette.
3. Next Olmsted Meeting – Seneca, from Franz Witte Nursery, has asked to host the next Olmsted meeting. Doug believes that she wants to talk about the Certified Landscape Technician (CLT) Exam so that we keep the date open because some Olmsted members have been graders in the past. Excom discussed that we should also ask her to talk about INA as well as suggest new plant materials. An additional speaker may also be asked to be involved.

Trustee Report (Jon Mueller)

- Dave received an informal report from Jon on May 21, and should be receiving a more formal report later this week. Note regarding the Bylaws – the change was approved and forwarded to the general membership for approval.

Montana Tech Council

- Dues of \$125 have been paid.

QBS

- Dues of \$125 have been paid. Note – Nestor Fernandez of ITD won a national QBS Award.

OLD BUSINESS

Licensure (Mary)

- There is a continuing effort to keep the tabled part of the licensure update moving. We are still planning to revisit the law with the Engineers in order to focus on the exemptions and focus on the definitions.

Rendezvous (Dave Koga)

- The April 2003 Rendezvous seemed to be a success, however, we are still working on getting the profits totaled. The next Rendezvous will potentially be in Lewiston due to the bicentennial of Lewis and Clark. A definite decision will need to be made on the location of the next Rendezvous by this coming fall.

Newsletter

- The next Newsletter will be published after reports from the CPC, Trustee and President Elect come into Toby.
- A time template for the Newsletter still needs to be set. We are hoping to have it every three months, which will enable a reference of Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter Newsletters.

Fellowship

- Jim submitted the application for a Fellowship Award for Don Brigham. It will be some time in the fall of this year before we know anything else.

NEW BUSINESS

Fundraising

- Ideas for new and/or additional fundraisers were discussed, and the suggestions were as follows: golf, membership directory, garden show. Jim will talk to Ross Rooper about how things were done in the past years, and we will decide where to go from there.

Mid-Year Meeting

- Jim attended the mid-year meeting earlier this month. A report regarding the CPC will attached at a later date, and will include topics such as lobby day, the transportation bill, how to recruit leadership and CIP. Note – Dave suggests the fundraising opportunity of a membership directory for the CIP, and Jim has agreed to look at his list to see if it is a possibility.

Scholarships

- Dave is working on reviewing other chapters for examples as to how they are handling scholarships. U of I liked the idea of our Idaho/Montana ASLA Chapter providing a scholarship for students. We may consider that half of what we make on our fundraisers go toward scholarships of some kind.

Model Chapter

- The model Constitution Bylaws cannot be enacted until the national model is approved. The membership approved the national model in the fall, but the edits will not be complete until next spring.

Election Possibilities

- The following people (shown in alphabetical order) were mentioned as possible nominations for the upcoming fall Chapter elections: Keith Dixon (north), Gina Fagler (Boise), Darren Gilbert (Boise), Jolene Reick (Montana), Shae Sanderson (Coeur d'Alene), and Lesa Stark (Boise).

End 6:00pm.

Note – The next meeting will be held Wednesday, June 4th, 2003. One item of business will need to be document archiving, both electronic and hardcopy.