

Friday, June 29, 2012

MD APA Annual Meeting
Frederick, MD

****High Points****

Sharon Suarez (President)

Agenda

Move to approve consent items (Sharon)

Approve consent items (all)

Move to approve reports (Sharon)

Approve reports (all)

- APA poll
- Chapter elections the same time as national elections
- Send president and president elect to leadership meetings in the fall
- Start young planners group
- Reevaluate cm for processes of writing and teaching

Jim Noonan (Vice President)

Conference Budget is complete and registration levels have been agreed upon

Jim Potter (Immediate Past President)

Highlights from last annual meeting

- Temporal topics
- Mission of chapter is to provide professional development opportunities (training) to its members.
- Outreach to organizations
 - Worked with Baltimore AIA for the first time (Shrinking Cities debate) – last year
 - They want to work with us again this year for a similar event
- Support for future planners
 - Young planners group
 - UMD students planning activities (interaction between future, present and past planners)
 - Supporting career development
- Academic AICP (Paul Ingram – contact)
 - Incorporate young planners to get involved rather than giving cm credits
- Nomination of Gary Anderson to FAICP
 - If anyone is eligible please consider it
 - Gary provided a copy of application to use as a template

Sharon Suarez

Regional Representatives

Chris Well _ Metro Region

- Advocate for planners in the metro region (almost 1/2 membership is in the metro region)
- Last November sponsored webinar (social media and ethics) in Columbia for cm credits
- Will plan on hosting idea (contact Chris for input on themes)
- Gives board update on region as she becomes aware (please contribute)

Jeff Jackman (Southern MD)

- Small group
- 2010 St. Mary's city event
- Ongoing training in webcast through association with the Utah chapter
- Went to job summit in Easton
- Promoting participation for Columbia conference

Kathleen Freeman (Eastern Shore)

- Small group
- Over the next year we will step up lunch and learn events for cm credits (monthly)
- All CDs expire at the end of the year
- Salisbury state has a GIS program (goal is to strengthen partnership and to work with the students)

Rick Brace (Western MD)

- Western MD local government exchange (in part with UMD extension service and center for agro ecology) recommend Nancy Young for event organization
- 90 people attended event this past may (invited some political people)
 - Encouraging Rural Equity (theme)
 - Overwhelming support in evaluations
 - 5 students attended from Frostburg

Jim Noonan (speaker introduction)

Legislative Update

The Honorable Ronald N Young

Maryland State Senator – District 3

Visionary and past Mayor of Frederick
Put MD Smart Growth program together

Sharon Suarez (President)

Resignations and Appointments

Certificates of Appreciation

The Honorable Ronald Young (speaker)

Advocated for Smart Growth before it had a name (encompassed zoning, density and design)

Economic Resource Act of 1992 laid out guidelines and suggestions for Smart Growth and Neighborhood Conservation, which passed in less than 10 months under Governor Glen Denning

PlanMD

Not a bad document but not a new document

Maybe the only new addition is arbitration if there is a disagreement about land?

PlanMD

1. Preserve land
2. Direct development
3. Save money

Young sits on the Health Education and Environmental Affairs Committee

Citizens didn't want taxes raised

Doubled the flush tax

(Comment) Helen Spinelli

Senate Bill 236

Gets in the way of Planning (Land Use Control) – Separate Septic Bill would have been less invasive – environmental problem not a planning / growth issue

H Thomas McGrath Jr. FAIA FAPT

Superintendent of the Historic Preservation Training Center, NPS

www.nps.gov/training/hptc/

The Greenest Building ever built is the one that is already built.

Embodied Energy – The total expenditure of energy involved in the creation of a building

Green Lab Report from the National Trust for Historic Preservation on a cd in the packet

(Comment) Jim Potter

Q – Concerning embodied energy and right sizing in cities like Detroit, Cleveland, Buffalo, or Baltimore, what is the reuse challenge of rehabilitation?

A – How you change uses.

(Comment) Ann Stanley

Q – What are the preservation challenges of newer historic buildings (ex. building materials like metal)?

A – May have to go to manufacturers to replicate process or rethink secretary's standards of how to re-skin or re-clad Internationalist buildings for example. It is a rethinking that may be more permissive of change in order to introduce new systems into historic buildings and still have them be historic.

Handbook – Sustainable Planning for Historic Structures – Came out about a year ago
Advisory Council for Historic Preservation

Sharon Suarez

Jim Potter

Strategic Planning Exercise

Brainstorm activities that will affect and drive our budget, can be short, mid and long range