JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

Location: MKSK, 220 South Street, Suite 201, West Lafayette, IN 47906
Date: Wednesday, January 20, 2016: 4:00pm-6:00pm
Call in: 800-377-8846  Participant: 14027534 Leader: 81621054

In attendance: Rachel Johnson, Jonathon Geels, David Gorden, Brett Schlachter, Lana Merrill, Alex Salmins

Students in Attendance: Abby Sutton, Jackson McGee, Daniel Zuercher, Stephanie Orr

Call-in: Kris May, Bill Kincius, Tammy Doty-Davis, Liz Mooney, Michelle Taggart, Drew Braley

Approval of Minutes: December EXCOM meeting minutes (see attached)

• Motion to approve December minutes with amendments made by Brett
• Motion seconded by David
• Motion approved unanimously

OFFICER REPORTS

Review Attached Reports

President’s Report (See attached) – Jonathon Geels
• Discussion about budget and explanation of some of the line items.
• Bill commented on budget
• Brett discussed fees for web domain – will check on exact amount. Potentially add a line item to budget for that
• Motion to approve 2016 budget with potential amendment up to additional $120 on website domain fees made by David
• Motion seconded by Alex
• Motion approved unanimously
• Discussion about reimbursement of some travel expenses for fellows – money was not spent in 2015
  ○ Jonathon to get with Katie to add $500 budget item to actions.
• Discussion about coordination between Brett and Michelle for sponsorship on website.
• Discussion about National Headquarters

Trustee’s Report – David Gorden
• Bill Mid-year meeting Board of Trustees Meeting – New Vice Presidents will be elected; Scott Siefker has been Nominated

Treasurer’s Report – Michelle Taggart (see attached)
• 3 Sponsorship forms have come through already. Michelle will keep track of who is supposed to get what and will coordinate with Brett, April, and Lana to make sure social media outlets are updated.

• Motion to approve Officer Reports made by Brett
• Motion seconded by Rachel
• Motion approved unanimously
STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Review Attached Reports:
PR
- April spoke about her trip to Charleston. Cards will be handed out again for World Landscape Architecture Day.
- Discussion about promotion of “10 Parks That Changed America”
- See Attachment

Continuing Education
- April mentioned the Horticulture Symposium – February 20, 2016
- Continuing Ed Committee meeting on February 3, 2016 at Browning Day

Membership/Communications
- Only have 2 lapsed members
- Discussion about needing a chapter debit card
  Michelle to ask bank about getting a debit card for chapter
- Michelle asked if PayPal was another option
- Definitely don’t want credit card.

Fellows
- Discussion about Fellows nomination.
- David spoke about what is required to be a fellow, the process, and how people are selected.

Advocacy
- Discussion about Fellows nomination.
- David spoke about what is required to be a fellow, the process, and how people are selected.
- David and Bill Spoke about meeting with other states regarding licensure and lobbying.
  o Learned a lot about what to look for when deciding on a lobbyist
  Emerging Professionals
- August 12-14 are the dates being discussed for the National Advocacy Summit that will be hosted in Indiana.

Emerging Professional
- Busy next couple months
- Meet and Greets at Purdue and Ball State – pizza party
  o February 18th an February 25th
  o Would like to get ideas about World Landscape Architecture month.
  Lana working on Meet and Greets for February and will get something posted about LARE prep sessions.
- Discussion about making a guide for student executive committees to help them get funding from schools, etc.
- Brett talked about starting a happy hour – used ULI as an example
  o Lana mentioned the potential to get non-members interested in membership.
- Reception at West Lafayette Public Library to present student projects.
- Students like idea of Chapter Guide

Old Business
- Review Fellows Nominations
New Business
- Membership discussion regarding Laura Garrett
  - Laura Garret did not renew membership – has been active member on board. She asked about options for financial assistance or discount for Non-profit. Jonathon instructed her to reach out to Julia Lent (Director of Membership for ASLA)
    - David commented that he thinks the non-profit discount is usually if the organization has membership, not the individual.
    - State membership is tied to National membership in bylaws.
    - Bill spoke about another chapter that offers discount for number of volunteer hours.
- Sponsorship Happy Hour (Indy and Northern Indiana)
  - Is there interest in hosting an Indianapolis Sponsorship Happy Hour?
    - Jonathon asked for volunteers to get things organized
      - Bill, Michelle, Lana to plan Sponsorship Happy Hour (2nd week of Feb.)
      - Jonathon will work on a Northern Indiana event location.
- Bill talked about National Arborist conference here in November. They would like to offer CEUs for Landscape Architects at their conference – 1200 people in attendance (+/- 100 landscape architects)
  - Possibility of ASLA table at expo – reach out to National April to talk to Karen Grajales on Arborist Meeting
    - Tammy has been to that National conference before in Washington D.C. – she thinks it would a great connection
- WLAM
- 2016 Annual Meeting
  - Had first meeting on Monday
  - Started talking about Venues – looking closely at Eugene and Marilyn Glick center on the canal.
    - Will be taking vendor with her to check out space
    - Still open to venues but would like to have things locked in by March 15th.
  - Still looking a Keynote speaker
    - April discussion a few possibilities
  - Need someone to MC event
  - Potential date of September 23d.

Open Floor
- Students talked about LABASH – Columbus, OH
  - Fundraising - Created a graphic of the hypothetical roadtrip (Big 10 Theme)

Meeting Close

Next Meeting:
Executive Meeting: February 17, 2016 – 4:00pm-6:00pm
Location: Ball State University