



Chapter Executive Committee Meeting Tuesday July 21, 2015

1. Call to Order at 6:30 PM

Attendees: Karla Hunt, Karen Cesare, Laura Mielcarek, Craig Coronato, Galen Drake, Ellen Alster, Rick Campbell, Aaron Allen, Jim Coffman, Jacob Miller, Justin Azevedo, David Hewitt

CHAPTER BUSINESS

2. Secretary Report:

Motion by Aaron Allan to approve the June 2015 meeting minutes.

Second by Rick Campbell. Approved.

3. Treasurer Report

Checking balance	\$24,647.52
Income month	\$-580.69**
Expenses month	\$2,448.69
Income YTD	\$72,260.21
Expenses YTD	\$53,217.07
Profit YTD	\$19,043.14

** 2014 June Income was \$-9,452.36 (as a comparison)

Motion by David Hewitt to accept May 2015 Treasury Report

Second by Aaron Allan. Approved.

CHAPTER DISCUSSIONS

A. Sunset and Lobbyist Update

a. AzASLA has secured the services of lobbyist Robert Schuler for the upcoming Sunset proceedings. To this effect he has scheduled meetings with key members of state legislature and EXCOM members—Craig and Galen have already attended some of these meetings. Craig will forward the legislature schedule to Karen.

The question was asked if whether or not Robert Schuler would provide summary write ups of the meetings and Craig will inquire.

B. AZBOTR Rules and Update Effort

a. Craig reported that the Arizona Board of Technical Registration is in a review process of its rules and regulations per a government mandate and that Robert Schuler has suggested that EXCOM form a committee to keep abreast of these rule changes.

C. Sunset Gala

Karla has been organizing an event to educate membership on Sunset and collaborate with each other, allied professionals (AIA), legislators, and lobbyists. This event is scheduled for Thursday, October 8, from 5-8pm at the Rio Salado Audubon Center and is open to all landscape architects, not just AzASLA membership. Melissa Cornelius, the Executive Director of AZBOTR, will be the speaker.

As this is a non-scheduled event, Rick Campbell motioned that Karla be compensated financially outside of her regular duties.

Second by Aaron Allan. Approved.

D. Chapter Elections

Karla has organized and sent out a draft ballot for approval.

Motion by David Hewitt to approve the 2016 Draft Ballot

Second by Rick Campbell. Approved.

E. ASLA and NewTown Collaboration

Aaron reported that the NewTown point of contact has accepted another job outside of NewTown and that he has begun getting in touch with the replacement.

F. Additional Chapter Operations Policies

Several house-keeping operations policies require EXCOM review and approval. Aaron had updates to the Gift Acceptance, Document Retention and Destruction, Whistleblower, and Conflict of Interest Policies. David will update the changes and send them to EXCOM for approval.

G. ASLA Headquarters Fundraising Campaign

Nothing to Report

CHAPTER INFORMATION/UPDATES

A. Communications

a. Jacob will coordinate with Craig on creating a blog update to explain Sunset and introduce Robert Schuler as the AzASLA lobbyist.

b. Jacob also introduced Justin Azevedo, as the co-chair for the AzASLA Communications Committee.

B. Board of Trustees Report:

Nothing to Report

C. Alliance:

EXCOM welcomes Jeff Tarbox as the new Alliance Committee chair.

D. Education:

Nothing to report.

E. Emerging Professionals:

Nothing to report.

F. Advocacy/Government Affairs:

Nothing to report.

G. HALS:

Nothing to Report – But Jim did want to promote the upcoming SHADE conference and ask for volunteers to man the AzASLA Booth for Thursday, August 6th. Aaron volunteered.

H. Fellows:

National did not select any Arizona submissions for Fellowship this year. EXCOM will work on selecting candidates for the upcoming cycle.

I. Section Updates:

Central Section – The CS event calendar is as follows:

September 25: Whirlwind Golf Outing

October 2: Nursery Tour

October 8: Unnamed event

November 19: Appreciation Event

Southern Section – SS event calendar is as follows:

September 22: Tucson Expo—Karen will speak to membership for the “Fall State of the Chapter”.

Laura is also planning a nursery tour, bicycle tour of projects, and coordinating a PARKing Day event.

J. University Relations:

ASU has hired three new full time faculty landscape architecture professors.

K. Student Chapter:

Nothing to Report

EVENTS, ACTIVITIES, PARTNERSHIP INFORMATION/UPDATES

A. Events

The planned “Fall State of the Chapter” will be at the Tucson Expo, filmed, and broadcast online.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. August Meeting

Sunset, Chapter Elections,

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm

To add items to next month’s meeting e-mail Karen with “ASLA Agenda Item” in the subject.