



## Chapter Executive Committee Meeting Tuesday February 16, 2016

### 1. Call to Order at 6:10 PM

**Attendees:** Karen Cesare, Ellen Alster, Sandy Bolduc, Karla Hunt, Alex Buckley, Galen Drake, Aaron Allan, Rick Campbell, Craig Coronado, David Hewitt, Robert Schuler

### **CHAPTER BUSINESS**

#### 2. Secretary Report:

Motion by Aaron to approve the November and December 2015 meeting minutes.

Second by Craig. Approved.

#### 3. Treasurer Report

<b>November 2015</b>		<b>December 2015</b>	
Checking balance	\$12,479.56	Checking balance	\$8,565.56
Savings balance	\$17,500.13	Savings balance	\$17,500.13
Income month	\$2710.00	Income month	\$4,175.00
Expenses month	\$6,865.50	Expenses month	\$2,088.40
Net Income month	\$-4,155.50	Net Income month	\$2,086.60
Income YTD	\$83,530.21	Income YTD	\$87,705.21
Expenses YTD	\$82,802.74	Expenses YTD	\$89,091.74
Profit YTD	\$727.47	Profit YTD	\$-1,386.53

- Rick reported that the expenses for 2015 were down by \$2,000 compared to 2014.
- Income was up by \$1,295.
- This is due in part to no sit down dinner at the Gala.

Motion by David to approve the November and December 2015 meeting minutes.

Second by Karen. Approved.

### **CHAPTER DISCUSSIONS**

#### **A. Sunset and Lobbyist Update**

Robert updated the EXCOM on the Arizona Board of Technical Registration Sunset:

- HB 2333 was introduced calling for minor modifications to the existing bill that does not affect landscape architecture in Arizona.
- HB 2122 was introduced as a "placeholder" bill—meaning that a minor change in the bill's wording was added to save space for a future change. This proposed change is currently unknown and Robert will work on determining its intent.
- SB 1119 to extend the functions of the AZ BOTR was introduced successfully. A hearing has not been set but Robert advised EXCOM members to expect it for an upcoming Monday afternoon.

#### **B. Budget Approval**

Rick reported that the final budget approval for 2016 should be postponed until the February meeting as it is prudent for the final Gala sponsorship list to be finalized.

### **C. Legislator Campaign Fund Raiser**

Nothing to report.

### **D. Science Olympiad**

Karen reported that the statewide Science Olympiad is moving forward. She made a motion that AzASLA and its university chapters continue supporting of \$450.00 for student activities, to select the events of Green Generation, Road Scholar, and Dynamic Planet, and direct membership action at the events.

Motion by Sandy to approve support for Science Olympiad.

Second by Ellen. Approved.

The state regional Science Olympiads will be held in Buckeye on February 27 and Rainbow Valley on March 5. The state Science Olympiads will be held on April 9 in Casa Grande.

### **E. MAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee**

Galen reported that Tiffany Halperin is listed as representing ASLA on the MAG Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee. Galen will contact Tiffany to extend AzASLA's support for her activities.

### **F. ASLA Education Session Proposal Deadline**

The ASLA Education Session proposal deadline is January 28. David proposed that EXCOM encourage members to submit proposals to expand state recognition on a national level. Ellen, who presented for the first time at ASLA National in Chicago 2015, recommended that candidates contact ASLA for feedback on their proposals, if they aren't accepted initially ASLA (Susan Apollonio) will provide comments from the reviewers. It was her team's second submittal for the most recent meeting and she improved the submittal based on the feedback from the year before.

David will compile a list of Arizona presenters for the current and previous years.

### **G. WLAM – State or Local Proclamation**

Karen brought up that AzASLA received several state and local proclamations for last year's World Landscape Architecture Month in April and that EXCOM could repeat that this year. EXCOM members are encouraged to seek out proclamations in their communities.

Aaron and Karla will coordinate on hosting an Advocacy Day Tour for local legislators to expand recognition of landscape architecture in the state.

Karla brought up the idea of hosting an AzASLA sponsored coffee bar for legislators to promote landscape architecture.

Aaron praised last year's "This is Landscape Architecture" yard signs. Aaron, David, and Rick will coordinate in taking photographs with this sign in selected projects in Central Section, and Ellen and Sandy will coordinate the same in Southern Section. These photographs will just feature the sign and the project, no LA's, and can be used for the website, calendars, mailers, posters, and other marketing projects.

## **CHAPTER INFORMATION/UPDATES**

### **A. Communications**

Nothing to Report

## **B. Board of Trustees Report:**

Nothing to Report

## **C. Alliance:**

Karla has coordinated with ULA and ALA for a free AzASLA booth at their next event and sent complimentary tickets for the Gala to allied organizations.

## **D. SHADE/Education:**

Several EXCOM members have volunteered to speak at the SHADE Conference in September.

## **E. Emerging Professionals:**

David will put together questions for the next survey to find if there is sufficient membership interest in bringing in a LARE instructor to Arizona.

## **F. Advocacy/Government Affairs:**

Craig reported that the ASLA Advocacy Grant was due in December and to prepare for 2017's submittal.

## **G. HALS/SHADE:**

Nothing to Report

## **H. Fellows:**

Craig will contact Jason Harrington to kick start the Fellowship proceedings for the next cycle.

## **I. Section Updates:**

### Central Section

#### **Upcoming events:**

Spring 2016: GI/LID Workshop with WSMG, FCDMC, City of Mesa

April 2016: Sketch Crawl

### Southern Section

#### **Upcoming events:**

- February 16: Luncheon – Landscape Architects from NPS in Tucson – NPS Centennial Celebration
- Sketch Crawl in the planning stages. Sandy Bolduc to follow up.
- Book Exchange between professionals to students. Details being worked out.
- Local Nursery/Manufacturer Tour – Ellen and Karla will contact local manufacturers and possibly the ANA to organize possible Tucson tour sites. Artistic Pavers in Casa Grande suggested as one to contact. Possibly a joint event between Central and Southern Section. Concrete Designs also a possibility but Karen mentioned they shrunk considerably from the recession of 2009-2010.

**J. University Relations:**

Nothing to Report

**K. Student Chapter:**

Aaron reported that ASU is interested in a mentorship program with AzASLA and students.

***EVENTS, ACTIVITIES, PARTNERSHIP INFORMATION/UPDATES***

**A. Events**

The Gala will be Saturday, April 16 at the Phoenix Art Museum.

Karla reported that we have received the most award entries ever with new firms and a strong Tucson presence. The ASLA Sierra Chapter of California will judge the awards.

***FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS and ANNOUNCEMENTS***

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**Meeting adjourned at 7:47PM.**

**To add items to next month's meeting e-mail Galen with "ASLA Agenda Item" in the subject.**