Chapter Executive Committee Meeting  
Tuesday March 15, 2016

1. Call to Order at 6:15 PM

Attendees: Galen Drake, Rick Campbell, David Hewitt, Ellen Alster, Karen Cesare, Alex Buckley, Aaron Allan, Karla Hunt, Justin Azevedo, Jacob Miller

CHAPTER BUSINESS

2. Secretary Report:
Motion by Rick to approve the February 2016 Meeting Minutes.
Second by Aaron. Approved.

3. Treasurer Report

   February 2016
   Checking balance $41,177.77
   Savings balance $17,503.21
   Income month $31,406.91
   Expenses month $13,993.22
   Net Income month $17,413.69

Rick noted that as a result of planning we have not yet had to access the savings account to pay for the lobbyist. At the present moment, the threat of Sunset seems to be over for another eight years, but the threat similar to HB2613 is always present. We should continue to monitor potential issues involving state licensure, build relationships with legislators and maintain a state of financial preparedness.

Motion by Aaron to approve the February 2016 Treasurer’s Report. 
Second by David. Approved.

CHAPTER DISCUSSIONS

A. Sunset and Lobbyist Update
Robert updated the EXCOM on lobbying efforts:
   - All mention of landscape architecture has been removed from HB2613 and no mention of the profession as made during the Senate Commerce Committee.
   - S1119 BOTR Continuation has passed the House Commerce Committee.
   - S1422 BOTR Omnibus is set to be heard by the House Committee of the Whole on March 21. The Board has made comments on the draft and the only item affecting landscape architecture is removing the “Landscape Architect in Training” designation which the AzASLA EXCOM supports.

B. PAC Formation
This topic was not discussed and has been pushed to the April meeting.

CHAPTER INFORMATION/UPDATES

A. Communications
Jacob and Justin are gearing up for the Gala. This year’s Mesquite Journal has been sent to the printers.

B. Board of Trustees Report:
Nothing to Report

C. Alliance:
Nothing to Report

D. SHADE/Education:
Several EXCOM members have volunteered to speak at the SHADE Conference in September.

E. Emerging Professionals:
A LARE Meet and Greet is being organized for March.

F. Advocacy/Government Affairs:
Nothing to Report

G. HALS/SHADE:
Nothing to Report

H. Fellows:
A list of potential Fellowship candidates has been received.

I. Section Updates:
Central Section
Upcoming events:
March 31, 2016: Lecture with Jim Richards in conjunction with ASU
April 2, 2016: Sketch Crawl with Jim Richards in conjunction with ASU
Spring 2016: GI/LID Workshop with WSMG, FCDMC, City of Mesa

Southern Section
The Southern Section’s next luncheon (April 19th) features landscape architecture graduates working for non-profit agencies. The speakers are from the Living Streets Alliance, Trees for Tucson, and Watershed Management Group. The February luncheon was very successful, with about 28 attendees, and Ellen reported that the introduction of name tags for attendees was very helpful. She suggested that they become status quo throughout the chapter.

Upcoming events:
March 19, 2016: Sketch Crawl with Chuck Albanese
April 19, 2016: Lunch and Learn (see above)
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:
Karen reported that the several students from ASU and UA volunteered at the regional Science Olympiad events and that they were much appreciated.

K. Student Chapter:
Nothing to Report

EVENTS, ACTIVITIES, PARTNERSHIP INFORMATION/UPDATES

A. Events
- The Gala will be Saturday, April 16 at the Phoenix Art Museum.
- A Cinco de Mayo Warm Up will be held at Dave Bangs Office on April 28th.
- Appreciation Event is scheduled for November 17 at Kornegay Designs
- The annual Golf Tournament is scheduled for September 23.
- Anova has expressed interest in organizing an event.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meeting adjourned at 7:20PM.

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