# **Indiana Chapter**

# **JUNE MEETING MINUTES**

Location: BDMD - 626 N Illinois St, Indianapolis, IN 46204

Date: Wednesday, June 17, 2015: 4:00pm-6:00pm

Call in: Access # 800-377-8846 Leader: 59226083 Participant: 15249904

#### Welcome and Introductions

**In attendance:** Jessica Seale, David Gordon, Brett Schlachter, Jonathon Geels, Rachel Johnson, April Westcott and Drew Braley. **On phone:** Stacy Haviland, Lana Merrill, Bill Kincius, Mike Reese and Jon Ruble.

**Approval of Minutes** (moved until after President's Report): Amendments: to include trustee's report per David Gorden; to change motion to approve April's meeting minutes from Jon to Drew per Jon Ruble.

David motioned to approve May's meeting minutes. Brett seconded. Motion approved.

### **OFFICER REPORTS**

President's Report - Jonathon Geels

- ASLA E-Leadership Summary
  - Tellers committee announced President-Elect Vaughn Rinner in June 23 Land
  - The green roof page on the ASLA website has been updated to include "Green Roof Evolves" portion
  - o Revamped SITES page; GBCI is now administering the site
  - Government Affairs Summit applications due June 30; TAP program made it out of House w/o amendments to remove or weaken; check out iAdvocate video as promotion to members for Advocacy efforts.
- Executive Committee: Chapter Nominations
  - Three (3) meetings before the annual meeting.
  - Any interested candidates who would like to be on the executive committee should contact Jonathon/Jessica and anyone wanting to nominate others for the position should do so.
- "Something I learned this month"
  - The conferences page on the ASLA website is a great resource for us to utilize.
  - Potential speakers for INASLA Annual Meeting
  - www.asla.org/conferencesforlas.aspx
- Legends IN Design Summary (Interior Design Coalition of Indiana)
  - o Ryan Cambridge now sits on the board, reviewing award submissions.
  - Currently the only submissions are from interior designers but any design professional can become a member and submit their work for

an award.

- Call for submittals are out for next year's awards; deadline: TBD
  - 1 award, 1 honorary award and 1 emerging talent award to be handed out
- o April will put this information on social media

# Trustee's Report - David Gorden

- David will continually be reporting on annual meeting events in Chicago.
- Honorary member discussion: April asked if chapter needs to present any additional award/recognition; David noted that National will present awards at ceremony (for leadership) prior to Annual Meeting
- (See Job Creation Committee Report below)

# **Treasurer's Report** - Drew Braley (see attached)

- Little activity this month
- Reimbursement to Mike
- A couple electronic transfers are out for sponsorship events
- David motioned to approve Treasurer's Report. April seconded. Motion approved.

### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# **Chapter Public Awareness** - April Westcott (**see attached**)

- ASLA National Meeting- It is a good idea to link our annual meeting with our national meeting.
  - Indiana Chapter Participation Involvement in Annual Meeting
    - Ideas: shirt pins to pass out at our annual meeting for those to wear at the national meeting representing Indiana.
    - Supplemental handout for INASLA AM: Promoting the speakers from Indiana Chapter.
    - JSG to send Richard Zweifel information to April as his travel timeline is finalized
  - Jon Ruble's Potential Hammond Tour Event and potential lead in event at our meeting.
    - $\circ\quad$  Possibility of starting between 5pm-7pm; 2 hour tour; 1 CEU available
    - Jon will have more detailed information for July's meeting.
  - Our Annual Meeting Momentum builders for National Meeting

# **Annual Meeting** (Discussion moved up to third in order to facilitate Bill leaving early) – Bill Kincius

- Bill to step back in role; others stepping up to manage various roles
- Bill will be putting together a document for potential caterers to layout prices for the annual meeting, in order to compare and make an informed decision that works with INASLAs annual meeting budget.
- Thanks to Michelle for work with Sponsors
- Mailers "Save the Date" are sent out
- Set next committee meeting two weeks out
- April is now in charge of keeping track of meeting speakers. Please contact her with potential candidates and check google docs for an updated list of

### times still available.

- INASLA will offer awards as a 'thank you' to those who have volunteered their time for the annual meeting; especially Sean Rotar.
- Landmarks open to helping w/tours of building or site: Ideas about possible
  walking and biking tours (including a nominal fee) were discussed as part of
  the annual meeting leading into the city's First Friday events. Saturday after
  bike tours: monument tours

# **Golf Outing** - Mike Reese

- Four groups of 4 players have signed up to play.
- We need to get more players and sponsors!
- It is important to organize the event so vendors are not playing other vendors, rather one vendor plays with a group of three (3) other players to promote networking/job opportunities and relationships.

## **Emerging Professionals** - Lana Merrill

- Possible happy hour with other emerging professional organizations
- Brett to email Lana connections of current associate members.
- Everyone to email Lana potential names of people we can reach out to for the committee

# **Membership Report** - Brett Schlachter

- Current Roster Update
  - 4 Gain, 1 loss Total 197 (187 at beginning of year)
  - May members 6 renewed, 2 lapsed
  - Total 197 (5% for year)

### **Chapter Communications** - Brett Schlachter

- Website changes- INASLAs website now includes a 'share' button to allow people to continue their discussions via Facebook.
- Emails- Brett sent out a golf outing email blast last week and an annual meeting email blast this week.

### **Government Affairs** - Jonathon Geels

- Summit Application due by June 30<sup>th</sup> New Mexico hosting (GA Chapter of the Year)
- ISG to nominate Rachel to represent INASLA
  - Rachel to write-up "why she's interested in attending"
  - Highlight past GA efforts and future planning

# **Fellows Committee Update**

• Fellows Notifications to be made week of May 25<sup>th</sup>; public announcement in June 23 Land

# **Continuing Education** - April Westcott (**see attached**)

#### Old Business

- Review Calendar of Events
  - July: Golf Outing
  - October: Annual Meeting
  - November: Retreat, potential "in-district Advocacy Day"
  - Dec: Holiday Party (Volunteers!)
  - INPAWs Conference: November 14 in the past INASLA has sponsored
     JSG to ask Katie for more information
  - o Monumental Affairs questions raised as to when by Jonathon
  - Invasive Plant Symposium put on by the N.Central Weed Science Society

#### **New Business**

**Job Creation Committee** (Moved to before President's Report: David Gorden attended June 17<sup>th</sup> JCC Meeting)

- The Governor's Job Creation Committee (JCC) published a draft report of recommendations for the Professional Licensing Agency's Occupational Licensing Boards, in which they did not recommend the continued licensure of landscape architects in Indiana. After many concerns, the committee decided to table the discussion, allowing those interested to gather more information.
- It is INASLAs goal to reach out to potential lobbyists, Jason Shelly (AIA Executive Director) and AIA lobbyist, State Representatives and national ASLA to determine the best way to proceed to ensure the future of our Indiana license. Also reach out to engineers (AFCE); reach out to Purdue and Ball State
- Coordinate with Julia Lent at ASLA
- A draft copy of the report can be found here:
   https://secure.in.gov/pla/files/JCC\_
  - 2015 Annual Report for Licensing Boards Part1(1).pdf
- Ouestions:
  - Is the profession controlled elsewhere
  - Would INASLA take on "back-end" of licensure
- LAs as "Design Professionals" Board of Registration for Arch. and LA
  - Limits of practice and approval of plans submitted to Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS)
  - o Recent debate surrounding plans submitted by Ken Remenschneider
  - David noted lessened significance of this issue due to JCC discussion (Doesn't matter if LAs don't have a license to practice)

# **Meeting Close**

**Next Meeting:**July 15, 2015 – 4:00-6:00pm.
Location: City of Fort Wayne