



## Indiana Chapter

### FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES

Location: Ball State University College of Architecture and Planning;  
Department of Landscape Architecture Board Room  
Date: Wednesday, February 17, 2016: 4:00pm-6:00pm  
Call in: 800-377-8846 Participant: 88655634 Leader: 88786274

**In attendance:** Alex Salmins, Bill Kincius, Brett Schlachter, Lana Merrill, Alyssa Babb, April Westcott, Kris May, Liz Mooney, Jonathon Geels

**Call-in:** Tammy Doty, Rachel Johnson, Dan Ligget, Michelle Taggart

**Approval of Minutes:** January EXCOM meeting minutes (see attached)

- Motion to approve January minutes made by April
- Motion seconded by Brett
- Motion approved unanimously

### OFFICER REPORTS

#### Review Attached Reports

President's Report (See attached) – Jonathon Geels

- See attached Report

Trustee's Report – David Gorden

- Contacted Student Chapter Presidents regarding 2016 Advocacy Day

Treasurer's Report – Michelle Taggart (see attached)

- We have received sponsorship forms from Hunter, Liveroof and ESL Spectrum.
- Called the bank about getting a Debit card. It is as easy as asking for one. It would be in the name of INASLA with Michelle Taggart or Jonathon Geels under it.
  - When the new treasurer comes in they simply issue a new card, no fees.
- Indy Sponsor happy hour will be Thursday March 3<sup>rd</sup> 5:30pm to 7:30pm at The Eagle Food & Beer Hall on Mass Ave. 2 drinks per person and food provided. Thank you to Lana and Bill.
- Michelle to get one debit card with her name
- Jonathon to request debit card with his name
- Motion to approve Officer Reports made by Bill
- Motion seconded by Alex
- Motion approved unanimously

### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### Review Attached Reports:

PR

- Booked the booth for Earth Day on April 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - Opening for Volunteers for shifts – have Brett post something online
- World Landscape Architecture Month – Still waiting for National

- Need to get on the ball for Proclamations and Resolutions
- State only gives out a week (Week of Earth Day)
- Indy should be done again – Bill will take care of it
- Jonathon will take care of Northern Indiana cities, South Bend, Elkhart, etc...
- April will take care of State and Avon
- Stacy - Fort Wayne
- Lana – West Lafayette
- Rachel – Fishers and other Hamilton County municipalities, Bloomington
- Bill – Terre Haute, Greenwood, etc...
- Make sure to use personal email and asla website
- Make sure to notify April when you take care of a city
- Social Media
  - Facebook – Lots of hits on BSU video
  - Instagram – Up a little
  - LinkedIn – Not so hot
- Plant symposium – February 20<sup>th</sup>
- Arbor Day event wants to include other professionals

#### Continuing Education

- February 3<sup>rd</sup> – First Meeting (see attached report)
- National denied some ULI credits
  - Let dust settle – document any conversations

#### Membership/Communications

- Ball State does not provide any support for faculty to be members of INASLA
- We should look at what would be a good measure of success
- Potential to offer reduced (new grad) rates to new faculty
- Domain name is open to be renewed again
  - Domain name renewal fee
  - Do it yearly to keep it in the budget
  - Brett recommends base renewal – see how bad spam gets

#### Advocacy

- Arizona is defending licensure today – made it all the way to legislature
- Lots of states looking at combining licensure with other professions
- Dan – update from National – 6 states are being attacked right now - Wisconsin, West Virginia, Ohio, Michigan, North Carolina, Arizona
- Will continue to look at having a lobbyist

#### Emerging Professionals

- 2 meet and greets this month (Today at BSU and Next Thursday at Purdue)
- LARE prep sessions started this week
- Social media contest – during WLAM
  - Potentially tie that to an ASLA meeting
- Flash Happy Hour – TBD
- Motion to approve Standing Committee Reports made by Bill
- Motion seconded by Brett
- Motion approved unanimously

## Old Business

- Sponsorship Happy Hour (Indy and Northern Indiana)
  - 8 confirmed sponsors
  - Will be held March 4<sup>th</sup> at The Eagle – downtown
  - Lana checks calendars for surrounding states
- Arborist Meeting
  - Want to offer CEUs
  - They need to be put directly in contact with ASLA National
  - Promote call for entries (want LA's presenting and attending)
  - Discussion about developing a map with the top LA sites in Indy
- WLAM
  - 10 Parks that changed America
    - Talk with contacts at IMA to see if we could do a viewing there
- 2016 Annual Meeting
  - Looking to have Annual Meeting at Conner Prairie
    - Bicentennial Theme
    - Passport – to visit vendors
    - Is there any exception to going over budget?
    - April has contacted Andre Carson's office – waiting on time and date
    - Need another MC for the awards ceremony
      - Need short project description

## New Business

### Open Floor

- Ken Reminschnider – has been involved with the cultural landscapes foundation
- Committee at Indiana Landmarks has decided to pursue being one of the cities in the "What's Out There" Program
  - Around 25 sites in a region are chosen – people visit the sites and there are people there to discuss the historical significance
  - Build interest in cultural landscapes that may be in need of our attention
- Would like a letter of support from the INASLA chapter
  - See notes for talking points of letter – Jonathon will write and circulate (week from Friday)
- Chapter will support fundraising efforts
- Volunteers from chapter
- Executive Committee unanimously agrees to offer letter of support
  - Jonathon to write and forward to group for review.

## Meeting Close

### Next Meeting:

Annual Meeting: March 16, 2016 – 4:00pm-6:00pm

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