



**Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday February 11th, 2008
Conference Call
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

- Executive Board
 - Trustee - Ed Czynscon – Absent
 - President – Jamie Csizmadia - Present
 - President-Elect – Adam Ragsdale - Present
 - Past-President – Dale Hall - Present
 - Secretary – Tanya Mandel - Present
 - Treasurer – Scott Tanner - Present
 - Treasurer-Elect – Scott Douglas – Present
 - Member-at-large – Gregg Hudspeth - Present
- Chairs
 - Atlanta Section – Brandon White – Present
 - Northeast Section – Madie Fischetti - Present
 - Savannah Section – Charles Anderson – Present
 - Middle Georgia Section – Zan Thompson – Present
 - Member Services Chair – Kathrine Clark - Present
 - UGA Chapter President – Kevan Williams – Absent
 - Environmental Stewardship Chair – Dennis Decker - Present

CALL TO ORDER 5:33 PM

Introductions

Discussion/Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve January 2009 Meeting Minutes (Motion: Zan.,
Second: Adam) **Approved.**

Unfinished Business

UGA Raffle: Delivered

Sponsorship: Looking for good news. Please finish calling and following up.

UGA Endowment: Finished

Green Roof for Healthy Cities (GRHC): June 3-5, 2009 (Jamie): Paul has stepped up.

Vermont Chapter Donation: Finished

Call for Presentations: Will be sent out to Scott at Noon Tomorrow.

Budget: Has been sent to excom.

GRHC Conference: (Jamie) June 3-5, 2009: Paul stepped up

Website update: (Tanya) Need Motion on 75.00 additional fee for 'Hot Items' box on website.

Motion to designate additional \$75.00 to website for 'Hot Items' (Motion: Dale, Second: Brandon)
Approved.

Sponsorship: (Gregg) – follow up calls: please follow up on sponsorship. Get an answer one way or the other. If it is a no, ask if they want to remain on the list. If it is a yes, find out if they want a la carte or a package.

Letter to the GA State Board of LAs (Adam) will be finished by Sunday.

Treasurer's Report : (Scott T.)

- Previous Month's Profit/Loss: December 1st – had \$21,000.00 cash, paid for endowment, paid for Christmas Parties, still have \$19,000.00 in cash.
- Previous Month's Membership Dues :
 - December: \$3,300.00
 - January: \$2,600.00
- Christmas Parties: Atlanta turned profit, Savannah will turn profit if everyone pays.
- 2008 Year-end report: Hancock Askew is working on entering data to give to CPA and for the end of the year report.
- 2008 Taxes: Working on.

Membership Services Chair Report: (Kathrine)

- New Members (2)
- Renewed Members (5)
- Lapsed Members (12)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Standing Committee Chairs' Reports

Nominating Committee Chair (Dale)

Important Dates (revised):

- May 1st, 2009 – prepare election slate & determine voting template
- May 18th, 2009 – provide Chapter President with completed slate of nominees

Tellers Committee Chair (Nathan) Absent

Important Dates:

- July 25th, 2009 – count ballots and forward election results to President and Secretary

Constitution and Bylaws Committee Chair (Tanya): National has been sent comments regarding bylaws review.

Audit Committee Chair: (Scott D.) Outside person is taking care of this.

Other Committee Chairs' Reports

Government Affairs Committee: (Jamie) National had conference call today. Thanks to participants.

- In-district Advocacy Day – February 18th, 2009: Meetings have not been set up yet – this is normal.

Events Committees:

- GAASLA Annual Awards Banquet Subcommittee (Charles): working on spaces for banquet. Should have more answers and information when Stephanie comes to town. Has ideas and locations that he is interested in.
 - Create sponsorship opportunities flier by Feb 20th.
 - Create and send out Annual Meeting registration forms by March 2nd.
- GAASLA Annual Meeting Subcommittee (Kathrine): Took packages to Stephanie, she has contacted other hotels as well as chamber of commerce. Discussing tours. USGBC wants to work together on tours, working on walking tour with Orlando Montoya. Stephanie Hall is our event coordinator.
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- GAASLA Golf Tournament Subcommittee (Brandon) : has received contracts from the Golf Course. Needs deposit made to the trophy club of Atlanta.
- Green Cuisine Subcommittee Chair (Stella Wiggins): Had first green cuisine, looking for sponsor to reduce cost. Sponsorships will be 250.00 per person.

Public Relations Committee Chair: (Adam) Nothing to report

Honors and Awards Committee Chair: (Zan) Nothing to report – has been announced in 411. Important Dates:

- April 15th, 2009 – Project submittals due
- May 1st, 2009 – award winners determined

Legal Defense Fund Committee: (Bobby Bullard)

- Meeting with Dean Nadenicek

Sponsorship Committee (Gregg/Zan): Deadline to call everyone by Friday, 20th. Email report .

- GAASLA Annual Meeting sponsorship opportunities flier
- GAASLA Annual Awards Banquet sponsorship opportunities flier

Communications Committee

- Newsletter Subcommittee (Scott D.) : info for end of month 411 due on 20th, Friday.
 - Newsletter due dates
 - ExComm member responsibilities: only for quarterly newsletter.
- Website Subcommittee (Tanya): Website projected to be up in early March. Need merchant account setup with both Visa and MasterCard.

Fellows Nomination Committee: voted to approve all of the nominees. March 27th is the deadline.

- Approved nominees
- Important Dates:
March 27th, 2009 - Fellows Nominations due to ASLA

Environmental Stewardship Committee (Dennis Decker) : nothing to report yet.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee (Ed): not present

President (Jamie)

- Nature Smart School Symposium: Has been funded through Wilson Grant, UGA needs help with donation for reception cost.

Motion to donate 500.00 to UGA for Smart School Symposium reception cost. (Motion: Brandon, Second: Scott T.) **Approved.** Dale H. abstained from voting due to his relationship with UGA.

- Plant donation to Savannah Garden Exposition: Historic Savannah Foundation expo is April 16th. Asking for charitable gift in an amount of our choosing – plant would be auctioned in our name. Money would go to pay for expo event. Nurseries donate plants. 75 or 100 dollars.

Motion to donate 100.00 from the discretionary fund to Historic Savannah Foundation (Motion: Scott, Second: Tanya) **Approved**

President-Elect: (Adam) nothing to report.

Immediate Past President: (Dale) nothing to report.

Secretary: (Tanya) nothing to report.

At-Large Member: (Gregg) nothing to report

Middle Georgia Section Chair: (Zan)

- Trying to get merit badge date for boy scouts.
- Macon Bed Race: getting sponsors, need help racing (will need to sign a release) March 21st.

Savannah Coastal Section Chair: (Charles)

- NLAM Event: Earth day booth, SSI Event next Thursday, Local Chapter Meeting tomorrow night. April meeting at event to celebrate NLAM.

Northeast Georgia Section Chair: (Madie)

- NLAM Event: Alumni weekend (17th and 18th) looking to coordinate. Nature Symposium is the next week. Should be able to advertise to whole membership. Wants to coordinate with other section chairs on their ideas and events.

Atlanta Section Chair: (Brandon)

- Working on Merit Badge and school presenters

UGA Student Chapter President: (Kevan Williams) absent

Announcements and Reminders:

Next ExComm Meeting – 3:00pm-7:00pm, Friday, March 20th, 2009 in Macon, GA

Adjourn: 6:50

