



**Executive Committee Meeting  
Friday January 16th, 2008  
Macon, Georgia  
MEETING MINUTES**

- Executive Board
  - Trustee - Ed Czynscon – Present
  - President – Jamie Csizmadia - Present
  - President-Elect – Adam Ragsdale - Absent
  - Past-President – Dale Hall - Present
  - Secretary – Tanya Mandel - Present
  - Treasurer – Scott Tanner - Absent
  - 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 – Absent
  - Middle Georgia Section – Zan Thompson – Present
  - Member Services Chair – Kathrine Clark - Present
  - UGA Chapter President – Kevan Williams - Absent

**CALL TO ORDER 3:10 PM**

**Introductions**

**Discussion/Approval of Minutes**

**Motion** to approve November 2008 Meeting Minutes (Motion: Zan., Second: Brandon) **Approved.**

**Motion** to approve December 2008 Meeting Minutes (Motion: Brandon, Second: Ed) **Approved.**

**Unfinished Business**

**Video from National:** Could not be watched due to power

**UGA Raffle:** Dale has faxed information to Scott T. Forms have been filled out, etc. Scott T. to write check and send in.

**Sponsorship:**

Belgard has authorized gold level sponsorship. There are other potential sponsors-several meetings going on to determine amount (Gregg, Zan) We are on track, continue following up.

**UGA Endowment:**

Dale has signed endowment. Copy has been given to GAASLA, bound endowment will be sent. Once endowment carries we will define the application (5 or 6 years), can change requirements. Stephanie is working with the University to get web donation link set up for donations that do not come from GAASLA. Brandon suggested that this be added to website. Scott D. to add to newsletter and 411's.

**Emeritus Status for Roger Moore: Dale**

Has been completed. Dale has sent letter – Roger will get formal letter. Status is 25 year member and retired. Katherine to check to see who on our list is a 25 year member.

**Vermont Chapter Donation: Ed**

Vermont section pleading for donations (1 dollar per member) 50% of chapters have done this. Should we? Vermont State is part of the 50 by 2010 goal. Will be addressed under budget section.

**UGA grad assistant:**

Discussed but not decided on. UGA is accepting applications for next year now. Individual would be used for setting up filing system (archiving), David Spooner Assistant for LARE Review, additional tasks as needed; would prefer a Masters student.

4,500.00 for Fall, 5,000.00 for Spring – can use for whole year or one semester (Spring or Fall). Could have assistant for this Fall. Helps student and University. Would be useful to have during tri-state conference.

Discussion regarding LARE review and Grad Assistant role.

Discussion regarding importance of archival.

**Budget:**

Not voted on last meeting.

Review of items that have changed since November Meeting.

Discussion regarding changed items.

**Motion** to approve Vermont Donation 464.00 (Motion: Gregg, Second: Ed). **Approved**

Discussion Item: Not to fund Grad Assistant for Fall.

**Motion** to approve the budget with amendments as stated. (Motion : Ed, Gregg: Second). **Approved**

**Break: 4:45 – 4:55**

**Nominating Committee:**

Looking for nominees.

To include information in welcome letter to new GAASLA Members.

**Government Affairs Committee:**

Training Webinar: February 11<sup>th</sup> 2009

In-District Advocacy Day: February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Mark your Calendars!

Volunteers can go to ASLA website for summary of issues including HALS & Complete Streets

Jamie is on National Government Affairs: Have over 350 people nationwide compared to 70 or under last year, big accomplishment.

**Events Committees:** Discussion

1. **Awards Banquet:** Charles Absent
2. **GAASLA Annual Meeting Subcommittee:** 'To be or not to be': Jamie needs help. Katherine volunteered to chair– Stephanie Hall to event plan? Possibility to have meeting in Atlanta? Savannah has draw....expect attendance by other professions. Continuing education requirements for LEED and landscape architects – could bring more people. Brandon to help with education aspect.
3. **GAASLA Golf Tournament:** Trophy Club, September 14<sup>th</sup>.
4. **Green Cuisine:** Dates and Speakers have been arranged. All based on sustainable sites.

**Public Relations:** Adam (not discussed)

**Honors and Awards:** Zan

Updated awards application is in the final editing stages and has been revised to the same categories as national. Fees were 150 and 300 last year, discussed raising to 200 and 400 but dropped back to 175 and 350 due to the economy.

Set to be released on February. Excom suggested a student award category. Dale is requiring students to apply for an award. Price for student entry will need to be changed.

**Legal Defense Fund:**

Bobby Bullard is working with County Engineer: County has denied stormwater plan prepared by landscape architect. Might be needing money from the legal defense fund: will be discussed in February Meeting.

Dale suggested meeting with the Dean rather than faculty to discuss class content since curriculum is under review.

**Sponsorship Committee:** keep following up and sending corrections to Gregg and Zan.

**Communications Committee:**

- Newsletter: Feb. 411 info has been sent out. Email to Scott by 23<sup>rd</sup> of January. Awards submittal could be added. Full newsletter will be April deadline is March 20th.
- Assignments: Plant Spotlight – Gregg, Meet the ex. comm – Treasurer and Past President, Advertisement got attention. Articles have generated interest.
- Website: Discussion regarding existing and proposed web design/hosters.

**Fellows Nomination Committee:**

Review of nominations and submissions.

**Motion** to approve Ed Cyzcon and Bill Man for Fellows nomination to ASLA national". (Motion: Dale, Second: Madie). **Approved**

**Motion** to approve Bob Hughes for Fellows nomination to ASLA national". (Motion: Dale, Second: Ed). **Approved**

Remaining nominations will be tabled until January 27, 2009 for further review. Final submission to be made to National by March 27<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:**

**Trustee:** Ed

ASLA's National Student Representative Nominations: National pays for travel, lobby day, annual conference. Dale to research – possible Grad student.

Expert List: National is compiling 'experts' in different areas of study for conferences, etc.

ASLA National Website: It has been promised website will be fixed by next week.

Legal Agenda for Lobby Day: Historic American Landscape Survey (HALS), Sustainable Design and Advocacy, Water and Stormwater Management, Active Living.

**President:** Jamie

Sustainable Sites Initiative (SSI) Comments due 20<sup>th</sup> of January

Linda Valasquez: Green Roof Conference June 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>, Atlanta: Looking for volunteers for tours, marketing, fundraising. Dale suggested that students would volunteer.

ASLA Student Honor and Merit Awards: National would like for Universities to work on this.

April is National Landscape Architecture Month (NLAM)

**President Elect:** Absent

**Immediate Past Present:** Dale

Needs end of year information for report from past treasurer.

**Secretary:** Tanya

Nothing to report.

**At large member:** Gregg

Nothing to report

**Middle Georgia Section Chair:** Zan

Entering bed in bed race. Next section meeting to be determined.

**Northeast Section Chair:** Madie

Steve King from LSI to speak to Dale's class. Could be nighttime event. Meeting with Dean to discuss motivating the student base.

**Atlanta Section Chair:** Brandon

Christmas Party was a success! 75 People attended. Made \$237.00 on event. Had 31 toys donated. Had some interest in school career days for NLAM – will follow up.

**UGA Student Chapter President:** Absent

**Announcements and Reminders:**

March ExCom meeting is Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008.  
Next meeting is February 11, 2009.

**Motion** to adjourn (Motion:Scott D, Second:Ed) **Approved**

**Adjourn: 6:40**