



**Executive Committee Meeting
Friday, September 11th, 2009
Athens, Georgia
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 via phone
 - 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 - Absent
 - Savannah Section – Charles Anderson – Absent
 - Middle Georgia Section – Zan Thompson – Present
 - UGA Chapter President – Kevan Williams – Present
 - UGA Chapter Vice President – Lily – Present
 - Events Committee Chair – Kamara Williams - Present

CALL TO ORDER 2:45 PM

Motion to approve August 2009 Minutes (Motion: Zan, Second Scott D.) **Approved**

Jamie stated that due to the resignation of Katherine Clark, there are now 11 voting members and the quorum is now 6.

Unfinished Business

Legal Defense Fund: Separate fund will be official once Scott Tanner signs the application.

\$1,000 Scholarship to UGA: UGA has asked that we put this on the agenda so that it can be discussed for next year's budget, if we can afford it. Brandon suggested that this be discussed at the executive committee retreat.

Dues Increase: Ed researched what other chapters are charging for State dues. Adam suggested this be discussed at the executive committee retreat.

Treasurer's Report : (Scott T.)

Scott T. did not submit report to Jamie – will give Jamie end of year report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Other Committee Chairs' Reports

Legal Defense Fund Committee: (Bobby Bullard)

- \$5,000.00 was approved for the hiring of an attorney for current efforts. Jamie has a letter to send to members to raise additional funding. October 16th is the deadline for ASLA matching funds for licensure grant. Jamie is

writing the application. Funds will be decided this November and distributed to Chapters in January 2010. Brandon suggested that we do not put out the letter to the members until after the grant application has been sent.

Government Affairs Committee Chair: (Jamie) ASLA is pushing 'Complete Streets' legislation. All members can help by going on the ASLA website, finding the sample letter to your congressmen, adding your name, and sending.

Events Committees:

- GAASLA Golf Tournament Subcommittee (Brandon): Tournament is upcoming Monday, September 14 at the Trophy Club in Atlanta. Two dozen participants are registered. Sponsors discussed. Nike shirts are to be provided to the participants.
- Green Cuisine Committee (Jamie for Stella): September 16 will be presentation entitled: "Brownfields and Green Remediation".

Honors and Awards Committee: (Zan) Extra certificates are being produced. Two copies of CD's were given to Adam and Brandon that have previous years awards information on them.

Sponsorship Committee: (Gregg) Belgard – Gold Sponsor. Would like to be a platinum sponsor.

Motion to have 2 platinum sponsors (Motion: Brandon, Second: Dale) **Approved**

Motion to amend motion to discount platinum (Motion: Brandon, Second: Zan) **Approved**

Communications Committee

- Newsletter Subcommittee (Scott D.) : Newsletter assignments noted among various people.
- Website Subcommittee (Tanya): Latest traffic report has been sent.

NEW BUSINESS

President: (Jamie): ASLA National wants every chapter to not go "renegade" on logos. Brandon will try some concepts to show us in October. Brandon and Adam will confirm some questions at Chapter Presidents Council in Chicago.

President Elect: (Adam): Executive committee retreat scheduled for October 17th in Savannah at his office.

Middle Georgia Section Chair: (Zan): Jason has left the profession and will not be the Middle Georgia Section Chair. Zan will continue until a replacement is found.

Atlanta Section Chair: (Brandon): October social is planned but do not have a topic or sponsor.

Student Chapter: (Kevan): Looking to hold a once a month meeting on Wednesdays at 10:00 when everyone is in school but the faculty has a meeting. May try to have a talent show inspired by stories about Wernberg's magic tricks.

Announcements and Reminders:

Jamie has asked David Spooner about providing a budget for the LARE review and has not gotten a response yet.

Motion to Adjourn (Motion: Brandon Second: Gregg) **Approved.**

Adjourned: 4:40