



BUSINESS SESSION
of the
CANADIAN SOCIETY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS
1972 CONGRESS

The Business Session of the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects was held on Friday, May 19, 1972 at 3:30 p.m. in the Stanley Room of the Bayshore Inn, 1601 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, B. C.

PRESENT:

Governing Board

Executive Council

Mr. Edwin Skapsts, President, (Chairman)
Mr. Clive L. Justice, Vice-President,
Mrs. J. V. Stensson, Secretary,
Mr. E. J. Walker, Past-President,
Mr. Donald W. Graham, Executive Director, CSLA

Directors

Mr. James Taylor, President, Alberta Association
of Landscape Architects,
Dr. John W. Neill, President, British Columbia
Society of Landscape Architects,
Prof. Owen R. Scott, President, Ontario
Association of Landscape Architects,
M. Andre Lafontaine, L'Association des architectes
paysagistes de la province de Quebec
(The Province of Quebec Association of
Landscape Architects)

Members of CSLA

ALSO PRESENT:

Recording Secretary: Mrs. E. Garland

After counting the members present to insure that there was a quorum, Mr. Skapsts, Chairman, declared the meeting open.

The Chairman indicated that there were copies of the various reports to be discussed on the table in front of him, and anyone who wished copies could help himself.

The Chairman advised the meeting that before the minutes of the Don Mills meeting were adopted there were a few things he wished to explain. These explanatory remarks mostly concerned the Bylaws.

The Chairman pointed out that the organization is based legally on the Letters Patent given out by the Federal Government in Ottawa. As the organization had been working on its bylaws for the past two years, the Chairman had written about the work in the minutes. In Toronto, they discussed various points in the minutes and these bylaws were adopted as amended. Several things were changed, but at the end they were agreed. This became the basis of the new Federal setup whereby the CSIA is a federation of provincial associations. At the moment there are four and the representatives were at the meeting. For the time being -- the next two years, the organization still has members-at-large from provinces where there are no provincial associations. Work is going on to get Associations organized in these provinces, such as Manitoba, Saskatchewan and the Maritimes.

After the bylaws were agreed to as amended, they were sent off, and Mr. Graham, the Executive Director, proceeded to submit these bylaws to the government - the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs. In due time he received a letter from Mr. Flansbury, the examiner -- they wanted to change some technical points in the bylaws. Mr. Graham managed to get a direct contact with the people in Ottawa and at the end they came to an agreement on what should be changed in the bylaws before they became acceptable.

Mr. Skapsts continued: In the By-laws it had not been mentioned that those members that were life members, honorary members and fellows were able to resign at one time or another and the government wanted that included. They also wanted it stated that at the Annual Congress each member, and life members had one vote and in case of a tie the Chairman would cast the deciding vote. They also wanted it included that the Government Board appoints an auditor. And then of course the Minister of Consumer Affairs signs the Bylaws not the Secretary of State.

If "objects of the Society" was to be changed to "objectives" then new Letters Patent would have to be filed and considerable expense incurred.

It was felt that the text did not change the structure of the organization and so it was decided at that time that to come back to the old text as it was considered that in this sense "objects" and "objectives" meant the same thing. I propose that the minutes be adopted.

Moved by Mr. Justice,
Seconded by Mr. Webb,

THAT the Minutes, as amended,
be adopted.

CARRIED.

Financial Report

The Chairman advised the meeting that as our fiscal year ended December 31, 1971, the report was not up to the present. Recent activities had been a considerable expense, but to counter-balance that dues were being received from the associations of CSLA. The report was audited by John Stainsbury in Toronto.

Moved by Mr. Lepp,
Seconded by Mr. Pauley,

THAT the financial statement be
adopted.

CARRIED.

In reply to a question from the floor the Chairman read the official letter from Mr. Flansbury, advising of ministerial approval dated March 9, 1972. The Chairman explained that the bylaws were under continuous study. They will be reviewed again in a year's time when another meeting is called. The Chairman reviewed the reason "academic" had been struck from the Bylaw in reply to another question and also explained the definition of Landscape Architect and Landscape Architecture contained in the Bylaws.

In reply to another question Mr. Graham said that a French translation of the Bylaws would be sent out as soon as it was ready.

Moved by Mr. Scott,
Seconded by Mr. Justice,

THAT the Bylaws be adopted, as
amended by the request of the
Department of Consumer and
Corporate Affairs.

The Chairman said that Council had instructed him to recommend adoption. That while the Bylaws can be amended, they could not be amended today because the amendment would have to be approved by the Minister. Also 60 days Notice to all members must be given that changes in the Bylaws have been proposed.

The Motion was put and CARRIED.

Committees

The Chairman told the meeting that he would read the list of Committees with the Chairman and members suggested for each one.

Committee on Archives

Chairman - Mrs. Stensson. Suggested members: Mr. Bishopric,
Mrs. Blue

Committee on Competitions and Awards

Chairman - Mr. Koorman.

Committee on Education

Mr. Strong and Mr. Tattersfield.

Committee on Establishing Criteria for Election to Fellowship

Chairman - John Burroughs.

Committee on Establishing Membership Standards

Mr. Skapsts as Past President will be Chairman, Members -
Lan Novaek, Doris Morris, Owen Scott and Mr. Lafontaine.

Committee on Government Legislation and Programs

Chairman - E. P. Holubowich,
Members: King Harvey
Jim Douglas.

Finance Committee

Chairman - Dieter Gruenwoldt, (Treasurer)
Edwin Skapsts (Past President)
Clive Justice, (President)

Committee on Interdisciplinary Co-Ordination

Chairman - Clive Justice
Members Owen Scott
D. W. Graham

Committee on International Affairs

W. Douglas Harper - Chairman. At the same time he is also the representative to IFLA Grand Council.

Members: Mrs. Stensson
Mr. Tattersfield

Committee on National Capital

Brian Tetu will be approached for Chairman. If he refuses King Harvey will be approached.

Committee on National and Historic Parks

Chairman - Wally McGray
Members: Ed Wallace
Denis Majeau

Committee on National Policies

Chairman - Bob Calvert

Committee on Private Practice

Chairman - James Taylor

(Mr. Taylor asked if anyone would be interested in working with him on this Committee)

Committee on Promotion of the Profession of Landscape Architecture

Chairman - Bill Coates
Members: Mr. Olcay
Miss Stewart

Committee on Public Service Practice

Chairman - H. N. Hageraata
Members: Warner S. Goshorn
Jack Walker
Eva Drapell.

Committee on Publications

Mr. D. W. Graham - Chairman
Members: Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Webb

Committee on Research

Chairman - Jack Milliken

Committee on Transportation

No decision as yet.

Committee on Trust Funds and Foundations

John Burroughs as Chairman

Committee on Urban Parks and Recreation and
Committee on Urban and Regional Planning

Chairman - Mr. Hancock.

The Chairman read a report from Dick Strong co-chairman on the Education Committee.

Keith Cossey, Student Member, asked if there were any students invited to the meeting of the Co-ordinating Committee. Mr. Scott replied that it was meant to be a concise meeting just to get the feel of what they were doing. The past Education Committee was really an interim committee.

Mr. Cossey felt that student should have been involved if decisions were made.

Mr. Scott replied that no decisions were made except to have student involvement.

Mr. Cossey asked if students were going to be involved in the Education Committee.

Mr. Skapsts said, that the way the CSIA is set up, it is a federation of provincial dues-paying associations. The members all together elect an Executive Council. As far as students are concerned this will be done through the provincial associations. There are two students on the Ontario Association Council. Other associations will do the same, and it is up to the students to see that they get their ideas across.

One of the members remarked that the exhibit on display was a good example of student contribution.

Moved by Lois Lister,
Seconded by Mr. Lafontaine,

THAT the meeting accepts the list of Committees and Chairmen as suggested by the Governing Board.

CARRIED.

Mr. Tattersfield inquired whether there was a special committee to handle promotion.

Mr. Graham replied that any contribution from any committee, can go forward to publications.

Mr. T'maka said that in the past he had noticed that some committees have no report to submit. Is there any way to insure that committees would submit a report.

Mr. Skapsts advised that according to the Bylaws they have to submit reports 30 days before they are to be presented and later on made part of the literature.

Elections

The Chairman advised that he was going to proceed with the results of the balloting. It was started by Jack Walker Chairman of the Nominating Committee. Very few people wanted to serve or could serve, but at the end there were quite a few nominations, as they were sent in. The membership received a ballot and the results of the election were counted by B. Tetu, and K. Harvey, on Thursday, May 11, 1972.

The elected officials were:

Secretary: Mr. Tanaka
Treasurer: Dieter Gruenwoldt
Vice-President: John Burroughs
President: Clive L. Justice

The new President takes over at the beginning of the next Governing Board meeting after this congress.

The Chairman announced that the 1973 Congress will be held in the Golden Triangle, the Kitchener-Waterloo area of Ontario in June, 1973. The Chairman will be Owen Scott.

Mr. Scott said that he would like to thank everybody in B.C. for a great congress, and though Ontario could not top the Pacific Ocean and the mountains, they would certainly try to do even better.

Mr. Tattersfield asked if some regional precis could be made. He would like everyone to get their impressions down on paper and send them into the appropriate committee.

In reply to a question from the floor, the Chairman explained that at the moment there are four local associations. Until March 9, 1974 there will still be members-at-large in provinces where there are no provincial associations, such as Manitoba, and the idea is that there would be an organization, that these people will get together and form an association of landscape architects, that they take out Letters Patent - only three people are needed. In the Bylaws it says, subject to the prior approval of at least 2/3rds majority of the other Associations. Then it would become a component Association and have its representative on the Governing Board just like the other component associations. The members-at-large have been advised to join one of the provincial associations. Within two years there would be no members that are not members of a provincial association. All membership would then be controlled by the provincial associations. Responsibility would lie within the province for membership. The CSLA would have no disciplinary powers.

Mr. Koorman asked if the Board had the Terms of Reference for each Committee. The Chairman replied that these were listed by Mr. Douglas and were available for distribution.

Moved by Mr. Tattersfield,
Seconded by Mr. Koorman,

THAT the various people involved
in this Conference send in their
impressions to Mr. Tattersfield.

CARRIED.

Moved by Mr. Knowles
Seconded by Mr. Bronsky,

THAT the Association send letters of thanks to all the excellent speakers who have given so much of themselves during this Congress.

CARRIED.

Mr. McCray suggested that a Committee be set up for bringing out a national list of professionals, not just landscaping architects, so that when working on a big development one would know just who was available in the related professions.

Mr. Graham replied that there were two or three committees relating to this. He felt that Mr. McCray would get what he wanted within the next two or three months.

The Chairman said that he would like to thank members of the Executive Council that have worked with him during the past year; John Burroughs as Treasurer, Mrs. Stensson as Secretary and Jack Walker as Past President and the four representatives of the provincial associations. He felt sure that Mr. Justice would be doing a tremendous job as President.

Mr. Tattersfield noted that the CSLA was becoming a real force. He wished to give a vote of thanks to the Past President, Mr. Skapsts.

Mr. Scott moved that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Edwin Skapsts,
Chairman.