

**CANADIAN SOCIETY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS
L'ASSOCIATION DES ARCHITECTES PAYSAGISTES DU CANADA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING - VICTORIA B.C.
MARCH 16, 1994**

ATTENDED BY: Jim Melvin, President; Don Barron, President-Elect; Dan Glenn, APALA; Lynn Duranceau, AAPQ; Rob Norman, OALA; Jim Paterson, MALA; Don Ruggles, SALA; Pete Wiseman, AALA; Dave Mitchell, BCSLA; Doug Clark, Past President; Larry Paterson, Executive Director.

REGRETS: NWTALA

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Meeting began 0830

1. President Melvin welcomed everyone to the meeting noting that the view was outstanding and the accommodations excellent.
2. Minutes of Fredericton Meeting
 - 2.1 Page 14 item 94.01.09 Minutes need to be amended to reflect that the fee increase came into effect in 1992 at \$105.00:
 - 2.2 Item 17 : expenses re congress 95. Item of cost sharing at Congress 95 was noted to now be as per the current ten percent agreement.
 - 2.3 Item 28: Report back to meeting in "Chicago" should read "Victoria".

Motion 94.2.01 Moved R. Norman, 2nd Mitchell that the minutes be adopted as amended. Carried.

3. President's Report:

President Melvin reviewed the contents of his report as it will appear in the Annual Report to be made available during the Congress.

President-Elect Barron reviewed the contents of his report noting it too will be within the Annual Report. Don mentioned that he is looking forward to the implementation of management systems to make the CSLA more efficient and more business oriented.

Executive Director's report tabled to a more convenient time.

4. Board Member Reports

Beginning with the APALA, each Board member reviewed the status of developments that have occurred within their components since the Fredericton meeting. Written reports by component members were handed out in the meeting.

5. Minutes of Annual Meeting, Montreal - Moved Acceptance Don Ruggles, 2nd Lynn Duranceau.

6. Executive Director's Report:

L. Paterson reviewed the financial statements from 1993 including the auditors report, the summary of income and expense for the period ending December 31, 1993. In addition he reviewed the income and expenses for 1994 to March 15th and the 1994 budget.

7. Oral History Project: Linda LeGeyt

Linda reviewed the progress to date noting that each interview generates about 20 pages of information about the profession from people who care about landscape architecture and who have varied opinions about the profession.

She noted that there is still a shortfall of money to complete the project. She has forwarded an information package to each component for review with respect to financial assistance of the project. MALA has committed \$5.00 per member, BCSLA has been asked for \$1000.00, this has been set aside pending the outcome of the Congress, AALA has committed \$1000.00, AAPQ is looking to assist via a grant from government and will advise in due time; OALA will await outcome of annual meeting however will be considering a \$1000.00 towards the project, APALA will defer the issue to individual members, SALA will do the same.

Linda expects that the research component will be completed by June and that a draft of the manuscript will follow thereafter.

Linda indicated that she is committed to completion of the project, and looks forward to working with everyone as it proceeds.

8. Increase in Member Fees

Motion 94-2-02: Moved Norman 2nd Duranceau that the item regarding the increase in fees item 94-1-09 be revisited. Carried

Discussion:

In retrospect, it appears that the fees have been increased more recently than previously thought. A discussion ensued over the need for an increase on the basis of the three year plan and the legitimacy of the need for the increase to the proposed amount. Component members indicated that they had difficulty in accepting any increase.

Motion 94-2-03: Moved Mitchell that the item be tabled until additional information is available.

9. Re: Congress 93 Loss - Icomos and CoPlanor Letters

Icomos has requested the repayment of the money which they provided toward the Congress. This has to date been set aside and will continue to be ignored.

CoPlanor has threatened to sue for their outstanding debt and a letter of response from AAPQ has been forwarded in defence noting that CoPlanor did not live up to their agreement and this is the reason payments are withheld. CSLA will continue to monitor the progress.

10. Congress 94

Experiencing financial difficulty and anticipating a potential loss - the amount to be determined. Current arrangement is a 50:50 one.

11. Congress 95 - September

Theme: the Waterways - exploitation, revitalization etc. Request for papers will be forwarded late summer. Have partnered with the IDA (International Downtown Assoc.); are hoping to access some of the IDA speakers; hoping to appeal to non-landscape architects; Co Chairs of congress committee are Don Hester and Catherine Charette.

12. Congress 96

Ottawa has requested that this congress be put over to tie with NCC's 100 th anniversary - this is thought to be 1999.

Agreed that there is not any urgency at present to decide and that the issue will be revisited at the next BOG meeting.

13. Congress 2000

Since ASLA members can not be present at this meeting discussions were put over to the next BOG meeting.

AAPQ will be establishing various teams to work on the various items that need to be addressed. Lynn has contacted Betsy Cuthbertson of ASLA regarding the CAT program.

14. Awards

Faye Langmaid reviewed the awards program and noted that the program will be distributed with the bulletin in an upcoming mailing.

Faye reviewed the contents of her letter to John MacLeod, March 10, 1992, and noted that the issue of feed back of comments on the submissions by the jury is the responsibility of the Chair of the Awards committee. It was noted that there is an expectation of response to those that submit because of the fees charged for the submission.

The other issue of the MacLeod letter is related to student awards. This has been passed to the universities to resolve as it is not the mandate of the Professional Awards Program. The potential of an interschool competition was brought up, and the issue of student involvement in the profession was recognized. Jim Paterson to discuss the potential of the having Alf Simon look into the feasibility of establishing a student awards program.

Discussion took place regarding the potential to split off the planning and analysis component of the awards submission to a separate jury and that this component function via a mail out, read and review, and telephone conference call to determine winners.

Discussion took place regarding the large display panel format. Faye suggests eliminating this component.

Faye also recommended that two jurors return next year.

15. External Affairs Report

Reference was made to the CSLA Ambassadorial program and the letter that has been sent to each member who responded. Need to follow up with Brad Johnson.

16. International Initiatives

- 16.1 Review of MacLeod letter regarding projects as part of international initiatives. Two projects were put forward, these include the telephone survey of South American Landscape Architects as proposed by Jacobs (\$500.00) and the Ukraine proposal of Chanasyk (\$1,700.00).

Need to respond to John noting that money from the international initiatives budget will be used for Alliance and IFLA issues. An amount needs to be determined.

- 16.2 Review of the Mexican letter requesting funding for a speaker at the upcoming IFLA conference. The Mexicans have asked for Michael Hough to be a speaker.

16.3 JILA Meeting regarding IFLA Reorganization

Melvin lead a review of the latest developments regarding the reorganization of IFLA and the Alliance and noted the stand that Peter Jacobs is taking and the fact that CSLA believed that two members should attend the meeting. The fare for the additional member would come out of the international initiatives budget.

Motion 94-2-04: Moved: Norman that the priority of the international initiatives budget be towards the IFLA reorganization and that the BOG endorse the attendance of two representatives at the Tokyo meeting. 2nd Mitchell. Carried.

Motion 94-2-05: Moved: Ruggles that the CSLA sponsor a speaker to attend the upcoming IFLA meeting in Mexico and that a budget for attendance be limited to \$500.00. 2nd Barron, Carried. Notification to be provided to MacLeod for implementation under the international initiatives budget.

17. Accreditation:

The report of Charlie Thomsen was reviewed in detail and the major strides forward that have been made under Charlie's direction were recognized.

With reference to the Thomsen report it was moved by Barron that the CSLA Board accept the CSLA/ASLA Standards and Procedures as being equal and that a formal letter of Agreement be established between CSLA and ASLA, 2nd J. Paterson, Carried.

Regarding a new Chair of the accreditation committee it was agreed that Charlie would stay on until fall of 1994.

Motion 94-2-06: Moved Ruggles; 2nd Norman that the budget as established by Charlie Thomsen for the 1993 and 1994 years be agreed. Carried.

Melvin to contact John Consolati to confirm his interest and involvement with the accreditation committee.

18. Student Medal

These are underway and should be available in the near future.

19. Education Report:

The report of the committee was tabled and reviewed. It was noted that the current education institutions are not interacting with one another very well. The BOG needs to have a budget amount recommended and established in order to facilitate the committee program and activity. Melvin to contact Alf Simon.

20. Elections:

Doug Clark reported on the outcome of the elections noting that Ken Hoyle has been elected as the President Elect. He passed a note that was received from Marie-Claude Robert.

21. Awards:

President Melvin reviewed the status of the various award programs noting that a Vice-President of General Motors will be in attendance to receive the award for environmental stewardship.

An additional award will be presented to Joe Daly for his work on this Congress and past congresses.

22. Marketing:

Rob Norman reviewed his March 16th report as presented at the meeting.

Motion 94-2-07: Moved D. Glenn; 2nd Peter Wiseman, that the Media Access/Marketing Committee be provided with a \$1,000.00 budget (an increase of 500.00 over the current budget) to produce a draft resource manual. Carried

Rob Norman to head up a committee to provide information back to the BOG for July and September 94 meetings.

23. Re: post office it was felt that the post box should remain in tack and that call forwarding should be initiated in lieu of the Message Centre.

24. L.A.R.E. Process

Presentation by Fred Rux, ASLA, President of CLARB. In each meeting to have a line item called "Impediments to Reciprocity".

A seniors exam may be undertaken by practitioners who have practiced for 10 years and who can demonstrate that they are capable. A CLARB certificate can then be granted based on an oral exam and the demonstration of ability. They may also choose to undertake the full exam process.

CLARB can set up a regional testing center that could, for example, administer exams for regions - such as the prairies.

CLARB looking at splitting exam into 2 parts. One written upon graduation from school the other two years later after practicing in the profession under the tutorship of a mentor.

There are presently 44 states that are registered with CLARB. These have a common base for reciprocity. The exam which is being considered in California is also being considered in some other states however those states in CLARB have indicated that they will not recognize this exam as a basis for reciprocity.

Some of the impediments to reciprocity are "knowledge of plant materials"; mind sets about job security, problems of boards -joint and otherwise. CLARB has conducted a task analysis which will deal with the issue of ethics.

Continuing education is required in 9 states. CLARB will keep a record for those who are taking continuing education courses. CLARB has a draft guideline for those that are considering continuing education.

By 1997/98 CLARB is hoping to be able to offer the multiple choice exam on a computer basis at various testing centres. The current problem impeding this progress is the breadth of the data base.

Legislation; Practise acts, title acts and so on do not impede reciprocity.

25. Re: Fees Increase:

Motion 94-2-08: Moved Wiseman, 2nd Barron that a \$5.00 increase in fees be adopted for 1995.

It was noted that this will bring into line the fee increases that have been approved in the previous three plans that were adopted.

It was also discussed that the issue of a \$5.00 fee increase in these difficult times is a difficult for members.

Question called: recorded vote:

Barron - yea, Wiseman - yea; J. Paterson - yea; Glenn - yea; Durnaceau - nay; Mitchell - yea; Norman - nay; Melvin - yea.

Motion Carried. 6-2

26. Re: LACF

It was agreed that the LACF should strive for self sufficiency. It was also noted that information on the costs required has not been provided as noted in the LACF report and therefore no budget could be allocated.

27. Re: Harold Smith

After only a few months we have a travel reserve of approximately \$216.00. Don Barron will be meeting with the travel office on March 28th and will report back to the next meeting.

28. Reciprocity

BOG members asked to review the questions raised in the Barron Report (page 3) and to generate written answers to the questions by April 30th for assembly and distribution prior to the next BOG meeting. Don stressed the issue of membership should not be considered in this evaluation - only the issue of reciprocity and how it might be established on a Canada wide basis. For example, this might be accomplished via the L.A.R.E. at some point with consideration for senior status - ie, 10 years of practise.

A copy of the March 14th Memo from BCSLA regarding senior examination was read by President Melvin.

29. Policy on Old Growth Forests

Brought to the meeting by BCSLA - Mitchell, the draft policy statement was previewed by President Melvin. This issue could be brought forward at the annual meeting as a resolution.

30. Membership

Ruggles report to be revisited at the next meeting.

32. Bulletin

Lynn raised the issue that there is some concern that the Bulletin is taking on a magazine look and must be well done to be ensured of success.

33. Marketing:

Sunday meeting cancelled. Members urged to think about the issues of marketing and to report these back to the BOG.

34. Meeting adjourned: 1800 hrs.