

OPEN MINUTES
Landscape Architectural Division of the
Missouri Board For Architects, Professional Engineers,
Professional Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects

January 30, 2012
Kansas Room, Second Floor
Capitol Plaza Hotel and Convention Center
415 West McCarty
Jefferson City, Missouri

The Landscape Architectural Division of the Missouri Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Professional Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects was called to order by Mr. Hartnett at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, January 30, 2012. A quorum being present, Mr. Hartnett declared the meeting open for business.

Members Present

Robert N. Hartnett, Division Chair
Jerany Jackson, Member of the Division

Others Present

Laurie Koelling, Board Staff
Susan Maag, ASLA Representative

To better track the order in which items were taken up on the agenda, each item in the minutes will be listed in the order it was discussed in the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Jerany Jackson made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2011 Landscape Architectural Division Open Meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hartnett and was unanimously carried.

Election of Division Chair and CEU Audit Chair

Ms. Jackson nominated Mr. Hartnett for the Landscape Architectural Division Chair and the CEU Audit Chair. Mr. Hartnett seconded the motion, it was unanimously carried.

Please note that Judy Kempker, Executive Director, entered the meeting at 3:13 p.m.

Update from Missouri Association of Landscape Architects (MALA) and/or American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)

Susan Maag, ASLA representative, was in attendance. Ms. Maag reported that ASLA is currently working on issues with Yellow Pages, Quality Based Selection (QBS), Advocacy days and letters for change for licensure with QBS. She mentioned that Mr. Andrew Kilmer is the President Elect for ASLA and that she has been keeping him informed on current issues that ASLA is working on with Missouri.

Ms. Jackson extended an invitation for members of ExComm to come to the St. Louis Board Meeting in May. Ms. Maag requested that Mr. Hartnett and Ms. Jackson put together a short presentation for the May Board Meeting, so there is a better understanding of how we work with the Design Alliance and also the requirements/duties of the Board members. Ms. Maag also requested that Ms. Kempker provide her with a list of requirements for Landscape Architect Board Members. Mr. Hartnett suggested Ms. Kempker forward the information from the Board Member Handbook that she had previously compiled.

Discuss the recommendation of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) to use the post-nominal letters “PLA” instead of “RLA” to better enable potential clients and the general public to identify licensed Landscape Architects

Mr. Hartnett reported that the PLA designation was discussed in the CLARB Region II Meeting. Ms. Jackson also stated that the PLA designation was discussed in the CLARB Board Meeting and that CLARB was not on board with the change unless it was expedited properly. The Missouri Board Members and CLARB do not want licensees to have complaints brought on them for using a designation that is not yet lawful.

Mr. Hartnett asked Ms. Kempker for her comments on the PLA designation. Ms. Kempker reported that when the Land Surveyors changed their title to Professional Land Surveyor and changed LS to PLS, it took a statutory change to Chapter 327; therefore, she felt the PLA language would also need to be introduced via the legislative process and voted in. Once it is approved by the legislature, then the change can be made from “LA” to “PLA” and then the rule will have to be changed as well. Ms. Kempker also mentioned that, when and if the rule is changed, the LA’s will then be able to change their seal to reflect PLA if they desire to do so; however, it would not be mandatory. Ms. Kempker was

directed to send a copy of chapter 327 to Ms. Maag with all reference to Professional Land Surveyor highlighted and also all reference to Landscape Architect highlighted; each in different colors.

Mr. Hartnett then stated to Susan Maag, the need for MALA and ASLA to get together and get a bill to the legislature for the next session. Ms. Kempker went through the rules and statutes book with Ms. Maag to show her the changes that would need to be made if the change to PLA is pursued. Ms. Maag then reported that she is going to write an article for the ASLA newsletter informing licensees not to use the "PLA" designation until it has been approved.

Please note that Kevin Oligschlaeger, Board Investigator, entered the meeting at 4:21 p.m.

Additional items to agenda, if any

Mr. Hartnett mentioned that he met with Ms. Debra Price, the Director of Boards and Commissions, to discuss if there would be any new appointments to the Board. He was led to believe that there were 4 potential appointments (Board Chair, 2 Professional Engineers, and 1 Landscape Architect) that would be taking place within the next couple of months.

Mr. Hartnett then reminded Ms. Maag of the importance of finding licensees who are serious about serving on the Board and doing what is required of them and asked if she could stress that importance to the professional associations.

Please note that Kevin Oligschlaeger, Board Investigator, left the meeting at 4:35.

Discussion Regarding CLARB Regional Meeting which will be held in Coral Gables, Florida on February 24 and 25, 2012

Mr. Hartnett and Ms. Jackson will both be attending the CLARB Regional Meeting in Coral Gables, FL. Mr. Hartnett stated that he will be adding additional days to his trip for a vacation.

Ms. Jackson reported that the CLARB Board of Directors will be meeting the day before the regular meeting to discuss agenda items.

Ms. Jackson also stated that CLARB will now be interviewing the candidates for CLARB Board of Directors instead of nominations.

Mr. Harnett made a motion requesting that Ms. Jackson, Ms. Kempker and Mr.

Hartnett attend the CLARB Annual meeting in California in September 2012. Ms. Jackson seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Motion to close meeting pursuant to Chapter 610.021, Chapter 610.021 (1), Chapter 610.021 (14), Chapter 324.001.8 and Chapter 324.001.9, RSMo

At 4:50 p.m., Chairman Hartnett called for a motion to close the meeting to the general public for the purpose of discussing confidential or privileged communications between this agency and its attorney as well as to discuss pending litigation and complaint matters. Ms. Jackson made a motion that the meeting be closed to the general public pursuant to Chapter 610.021 subsection (14) and 324.001.8 and 324.001.9, RSMo for the purpose of discussing investigative reports, complaints, audits and/or other information pertaining to licensees or applicants; Chapter 610.021 subsection (1) RSMo for the purpose of discussing general legal action, causes of action or litigation and any confidential or privileged communication between this agency and its attorney, and for the purpose of reviewing and approving closed meeting minutes of one or more previous meetings under Chapter 610.021 RSMo which authorizes this agency to go into closed session during those meetings. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hartnett. A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried. Mr. Hartnett asked that all visitors leave the room at this time. There being none, the meeting was declared closed to the general public.

Reconvene to Open Session

At 5:30 p.m., the Landscape Architectural Division Members reconvened in Open Session for the purpose of adjourning.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Hartnett and unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Executive Director

Date Approved: _____

