The Professional Landscape Architectural Division of the Missouri Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Professional Land Surveyors and Professional Landscape Architects was called to order by Chairman Robert (Bob) Shotts at 1:12 p.m. on Monday, April 20, 2015. A quorum being present, Chairman Shotts declared the meeting open for business.

Members Present

Robert Shotts, Division Chair
Noel Fehr, Member of the Division

Others Present

Robert Hartnett, Board Chair
Laurie Koelling, Board staff
Rusty Saunders, Member of MALA
Carrie Coyne, Professional Landscape Architect

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 for the January 26, 2015 Professional Landscape Architectural Division Open Meeting

Mr. Fehr made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2015 Professional Landscape Architectural Division Open Meeting. The motion was seconded by Chairman Shotts and was unanimously carried.
Update from Missouri Association of Landscape Architects (MALA) and the St. Louis Chapter of American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)

Rusty Saunders, MALA representative along with Carrie Coyne, Active Professional Landscape Architect from the St. Louis area, were in attendance. Mr. Saunders reported that MALA has been looking at potential candidates to fill the vacancy of the Professional Landscape Architectural Division. Ms. Coyne was in attendance to see how the Board works and to ask various questions to the Board Members on what is required of them.

Chairman Shotts then thanked Rusty Saunders for his and Randy Mardis’ attendance and input at the Design Alliance meeting in January. Mr. Saunders then explained to Ms. Coyne what the Design Alliance does and how it helps the Board.

Possible Changes to the Board Rules and/or Chapter 327 RSMo (For information and/or discussion)

Chairman Shotts reported that during the Professional Land Surveying Division meeting earlier, it was mentioned that when Senate Bill 809 took effect on August 28, 2014, it reads now, the surveyor writes the descriptions including easements. There are two bills in legislation that are proposing that public utility companies will be able to write descriptions that don’t affect land boundaries.

Additional items to agenda, if any:

Discuss Implementing CLARB’s New Exam Eligibility Standard

Chairman Shotts stated that CLARB is going to be implementing a new exam eligibility standard. Up to this point, you didn’t have to have a CLARB certified degree from a university to be able to take the LARE. CLARB is creating a new standard for this. It was decided that no action will be taken at this time.

Discuss who will attend CLARB Annual Meeting in New Orleans in September 2015

Mr. Hartnett suggested that the Division discuss who will be attending the CLARB Annual Meeting in New Orleans in September 2015. Mr. Fehr made a motion that Bob Shotts and Noel Fehr be approved to go to the meeting. If only one is approved to attend the meeting, then Chairman Shotts will be the one to attend. Chairman Shotts seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.
Motion to close meeting pursuant to Sections 610.021(1) and 610.021(14) and 324.001.8 and 324.001.9, RSMo

At 2:15 p.m., Chairman Shotts 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. Mr. Fehr 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 Chairman Shotts. A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried. Chairman Shotts asked that all visitors leave the room at this time. Rusty Saunders and Carrie Coyne departed the meeting at 2:15 p.m. The meeting was then declared closed to the general public.

Reconvene in Open Session

At 2:30 p.m., the Professional 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 Mr. Fehr, seconded by Chairman Shotts and unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Executive Director

Date Approved: _____________________