

CELA Board of Directors
Conference Call Thursday, January 24th, 2013
11:00a CST; 12:00p EST; 9:00a PST; 4:00a Australia
Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Blake Belanger, Mark Boyer, Katya Crawford, Terry Clements, Linda Corkery, Will Green, Ryan Hargrove, Lauri M. Johnson, Ming-Han Li, Ken McCown, Sean Michael, Lee-Anne Milburn, Hala Nassar, Lori Orta, Patrick Mooney, Dave Pitt, Dee Solco, Pat Taylor

Regrets: Allan Shearer, Daniel Roehr, Lee Streit

1. Welcome/orientation/roll call

2. 2013 CELA Annual Conference Update (Shearer via Pat Taylor)

As of January 23rd 2013, there were 71 full registrations and 21 students registered for the conference.

3. Past President's report (Clements)

ASLA Executive Committee scheduled to meet in Washington, DC this weekend. There will be some discussion concerning the ASLA-LAAB Accreditation issue. Terry urged CELA to have some discussion about it during the President's Council meeting. Please ask program chairs to contact their trustees. Only one nomination received for each position with the exception of Region 3. A write in position will be listed on the ballot. Motion carried to accept the slate of candidates. The candidates are:

First Vice President / President-Elect

Ken McCown

Region 3

Jun-Hyun Kim

Taner Ozdil

Region 6

Hala Nassar

Treasurer

Katya Crawford

Student Director

Christopher Stebbins (University of Georgia)

4. President's update (Mooney)

Preparation is underway for the President's Council meeting. We will meet on Friday, February 1st and take a bus tour on Saturday, February 2nd. There are currently a total of 17 people attending. Patrick will do a short presentation at the meeting.

All strategic planning committees have met. Pat Taylor, Patrick Mooney and Mary Myers completed Access to Education document that outlines the costs, access and schedule options for a few of the accredited programs in landscape architecture. At this point, we are uncertain if ASLA will accept any new information on the accreditation issue but at the very least the document could be shared with department chairs.

Per discussions, the best route to expand CELA membership is to include schools (73) in China. Beijing Forestry University is at the top of the list. Ming-Han Li and Forester Ndubisi visited the University in 2011.

Action Item: Patrick volunteered to work on contacts and reach out to them. Linda Corkery also volunteered to help with China as representative from Region 8.

We need to keep the 2011 proceedings on the radar. Pat Taylor stated that some progress has been made on getting reviewers for full papers but help is still needed with final reviews. Chris Ellis has also been asked for a status update on the 2012 proceedings.

Action Item: Pat agreed to reach out to Bob Harris and Rachel Berney.

5. Report from executive office (Taylor/Solco - 5 minutes)

Interim Business Manager report:

Dee Solco:

Polytechnic University of Puerto Rico has contacted us about becoming a CELA member. We should get a decision from them in the next day or so. The TIAA CREF account has been updated and a current statement has been received.

Lori Orta:

The Finance Committee will look into moving all CELA banking to a local location. Review of financials: Advertising and Fellows pledges all came in over income. Landscape Journal member fees were increased starting with the November 2012 billing statements. Quarterly financial reporting will be done. We should receive a check from the 2012 annual conference from Illinois soon.

The proposed CELA annual budget for 2012-2013 was approved at the mid-year meeting. If any ad hoc committees have budget amendments they should be submitted to the budget and finance committee as soon as possible.

6. Committee Reports (30 minutes)

VP for Research report (Li)

Full text papers are due on January 28th, 2013. After that date, the 2013 CELA listserv will be discontinued. Early bird registration reminders have been sent out to all presenters. First drafts will be posted online March 1st, 2013. Abstracts should be posted on March 15th, 2013. The LAF conference call was canceled - there is no update.

Secretary's report - (Milburn)

Class Fund is still a work in progress. The group does not meet often. The time frame they are proposing is March to March. Ming-Han Li suggested a different time frame of October to October. A part of their concerns may be of a financial nature. Pat Taylor suggested that there be more discussion and report back at a later time.

Landscape Journal updates (Pitt)

The Halprin double issue is in final PDF. It should be online within the week. Hard copies will be distributed by February 1st, 2013. The editorial letters concerning the Omnibus issue have gone out.

Dave Pitt will visit with Daniel Nadenicek at University of Georgia in early February to discuss the transition.

Student Director report (Streitz - no report)

2nd Vice President's report (Boyer)

ASLA survey went out in the fall of 2012. It's a duplication of the information that is sent to LAAB. It would be better if that data was used and if ASLA would communicate with CELA when they decide to send out surveys.

1st Vice President's report (Michael)

Working on a skeleton of a plan for submittals. Sean will be meeting with Pat and Patrick next week before the President's Council meeting to discuss. We should have it distributed by the annual conference.

New Business

None

Meeting adjourned at 12:16 p.m.