



Potomac Chapter ASLA - EXCOMM Meeting Monday July 21, 2008

Attendees:

Ron Kagawa Karen Kumm-Morris
Marci Drury Lisa Delplace
Jeanette Ankoma-Sey

Call to Order at 6p.m.

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Josh Serck
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Presidents Report: Ron Kagawa

- Don Chomas from Smith Barney spoke to the ExComm about the chapter's investments in June. He suggested that since the chapter has a small amount of money in investment, we should just keep our money in the account. The ExComm agreed to keep the money where it is. Lisa D suggests we put the profits from the Holiday Banquet in a different investment for future funds. Jeanette suggests a regular bank savings account. For the time being no changes will be made.
- Letter from the Maryland Chapter: The Maryland Chapter President suggest moving the holiday banquet to April. However it would then conflict with NLAM events. In the spring firms are busy with work and there wouldn't be much free time to organize it. The holiday banquet usually focuses on celebrating the chapter whereas the NLAM events benefit the members. Combining the two would not benefit the members in an educational way. Ron, Karen and possibly Lisa D will meet with the Maryland Chapter ExComm in Baltimore to discuss. Possible dates are July 29th or August 11th.
- Josh Serck was transferred to Florida which is why he hasn't participated in ExComm activities this year.

President -Elect's Report: Karen Kumm-Morris

- Consolidation of Committees: The consolidation of committees was approved by an email vote. The ExComm discussed naming a chair-person for each committee at the retreat. Possibly create a policy to create two-year commitment for ExComm members to become a chair-person.
- September Movie Night: APA would be happy to co-host/sponsor the movie night. We need to find "The Powers of Ten" film. Karen says that the APA membership is mostly in Arlington so she suggests using the M-NCPPC auditorium. Adele reserved the GWU auditorium for September 16th at the cost of \$400 if the GW program sponsors it. Karen is to ask if the APA will co-sponsor. Ron spoke to the AIA president and he said that their members will come. Ron is to ask AIA for sponsorship and co-hosting. Karen is to check to see if the event can get educational credits.
- Chapter Retreat: September 13th at OVSLA. Ron and Karen are to create an agenda. New and old ExComm members are to attend

Nominations Committee: Lisa Delplace

- Volunteers are needed for the Treasurer and Secretary positions for the upcoming year. Faye's trustee term is over. Jeff Lee was runner-up. Lisa is to ask if he would like to run for the position. Faye might be able to re-run for the position. Jeanette is to ask Brad Garner at RHI if he would like to run for a position.

Treasurer's Report: Lisa Siri:

Lisa was not present so the report was not given.

Secretary's Report: Marci Drury:

3 new members

8 lapsed members

Old Business

- Website Vendors: The topic has been suspended. Motioned by Ron, seconded by Lisa D.
- Faye is looking for assistance for sorting through the old documents. But she needs help from people who will recognize valuable documents.

New Business:

- Adele has taken the mailbox key and will check it every other week. Mailbox renewal is coming up soon. Adele is to keep an eye out for a renewal notice.
- The M-NCPPC is holding a photo contest. ExComm members are to post the information on the contest in their offices. There is a cash reward for winning photos.
- Adele is to send NLAM photos to Amy for the website.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:12. Motioned by Marci, seconded by Lisa D.

