

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

I. General Information

Meeting Date: January 27, 2006
Meeting Type: General Business Meeting
Meeting Location: Hampton Inn and Suites
19 South Second Street
Fernandina Beach, FL 32034
904.491.4911

Members Present: Ms. Elizabeth Marshall-Beasley, Ms. Elizabeth Gillick, Mr. Paul Davis and Ms. Collene Walter

Members Absent: Mr. Phillip Graham

Others Present: Mr. Dennis Yecke, Ms. Juanita Chastain, Ms. Linda Tinsley, Ms. Diane Guillemette, Ms. Jessica Leigh, Ms. Susan Grissim, Mr. Charles McCulloh, Mr. Hilton Meadows, Mr. David Nam, and Mr. Christopher Hice

II. Major Issues/Actions

- Deputy Secretary Dennis Yecke addressed the board and commented he was working with the Governor's appointment's office to fill board vacancies.
- The board reviewed and approved three six-year candidate applications.
- The board reviewed and approved one application by endorsement.
- The board reviewed and approved twelve continuing education courses.
- The board reviewed and approved a request from a college instructor to grant continuing education hours for the courses taught.
- Ms. Guillemette informed the board that rule 61G10-11.011, electronically transmitted plans, specifications, reports and seals, will be effective February 13, 2006.
- Ms. Guillemette informed the board that rules 61G10-12.001, application and examination fees, and 61G10-12.002, fees, have been noticed to include the reinstatement of a null license. The board set the fee at \$450.
- Ms. Guillemette provided the board with a synopsis of business entities and explained that a limited liability company was considered a corporation and they are required to file for a certificate of authorization under the existing statute.
- Mr. Hilton Meadows addressed the board and expressed his concern that the Department of Transportation and the Department of Environmental Protection are hindering landscape architects from practicing the profession as allowed by statute. He asked the board to become involved and Ms. Guillemette advised the board she would research the matter and see if their involvement was appropriate. Mr. Davis commented he had concerns when a state agency tries to restrict practice.
- Mr. David Nam asked the board to assist the association financially in conducting a survey to all landscape architects to understand the challenges facing the profession. Ms. Chastain asked Mr. Nam to let her know what

amount of financial assistance he was anticipating and she would research the possibility. Ms. Marshall-Beasley stated she thought it was an important survey and would like to see the board's participation.

- The board asked that the University of Florida, FAMU and FIU be invited to the April meeting that will be held in Gainesville.
- The Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards asked that Mr. Cleveland Turner, Second Vice President, attend a meeting of the board to hear board concerns. Ms. Chastain informed the board she would invite him to the April meeting.
- Ms. Chastain informed the board that out of 1,242 licensed landscape architects, 1,045 renewed and out of 250 licensed businesses, 226 renewed.
- Ms. Chastain informed the board that the 2006 CLARB spring meeting will be held in St. Louis on February 24-25 and Mr. Davis agreed to attend.
- Ms. Chastain asked the board to submit articles for the February 2006 newsletter.
- Ms. Chastain informed the board there are currently eight approved building code advanced courses for landscape architects. Two of the University of Florida courses need to be updated because of building code changes. The Department of Community Affairs sent a letter to the continuing education providers about the required updates and currently providers are submitting applications through the accreditors to have the course approved. The course number will not change nor will the expiration date change.
- Ms. Jessica Leigh, Prosecuting Attorney, informed the board she was having a difficult time getting expert witnesses and asked the board members to contact her with names of individuals they thought would be interested.
- Ms. Leigh informed the board that as of January 20, 2006 there was one status 30 (in legal) case, one status 45 (sent to expert) case, one status 37 (probable cause found) case and one status 43 (formal hearing requested) case.
- Ms. Leigh informed the board a probable cause panel meeting needed to be scheduled and the panel set February 21, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. by telephone conference call.

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- Ms. Guillemette to notice Rule 61G10-12.002, fees, with the \$450 application amount.

IV. Action Required

- Ms. Chastain to invite the universities to the April 2006 meeting.
- Ms. Chastain to invite Mr. Turner to the April 2006 meeting.
- Ms. Chastain to meet with Mr. Nam to discuss the board's financial participation in the survey.
- Ms. Guillemette to research the board's involvement with the restriction of practice issue addressed by Mr. Meadows.
- The next meeting of the board is scheduled for April 7, 2006 in Gainesville.

Juanita Chastain
Executive Director