

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

I. General Information

Meeting Date: February 23, 2007
Meeting Type: General Business Meeting
Meeting Location: Homewood Suites
5500 Blue Lagoon Drive
Miami, FL
Members Present: Ms. Collene Walter, Chair, Ms. Elizabeth Gillick, Vice-Chair, Mr. Phillip Graham, Ms. Elizabeth Marshall-Beasley and Mr. Robert Bowden
Members Absent: Mr. Paul Davis (excused)
Others Present: Ms. Juanita Chastain, Ms. Linda Tinsley, Ms. Diane Guillemette, Ms. Jessica Leigh, Mr. Jeff Castor, Mr. Kevin Boyett, Mr. Paul Martin, Mr. Robert Higgins and other interested parties.

II. Major Issues/Actions

- The board excused the absence of Mr. Paul Davis.
- The Executive Director of the Board of Professional Engineers, Paul Martin, attended the meeting with regard to scope of practice issues concerning stormwater design. Mr. Martin wrote the board asking that a committee be established to discuss the conflicts. Neither the board nor the Florida Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) believe there is a scope of practice issue; however, the board suggested that the respective associations meet to begin a meaningful dialogue. The board asked that Ms. Chastain and Ms. Guillemette work together to write a letter to Mr. Martin respectfully declining to appoint a special committee at this time but to leave the door open if in the future it appeared necessary to do so.
- Robert Higgins of the Florida Engineering Society informed the board that if the two boards could not come to an agreement the society may pursue a legislative change.
- The board asked Ms. Guillemette to add language to rule 61G10-18, FAC, continuing education, that a sales presentation would not be acceptable for approval.
- The board asked Ms. Guillemette to remove language in rule 61G10-18.006(8), FAC, to allow a course instructor to be changed without first coming before the board as long as the qualifications of the new instructor were equivalent to those of the initially approved instructor.
- Ms. Chastain presented the first quarter financial report.

- Ms. Chastain informed the board the department was considering changing the policy on publication of newsletters. Newsletters would only be posted on the web and no longer mailed. Licensees will be notified of this change at renewal time or by outreach through email and to professional associations. Ms. Chastain explained licensees would be able to subscribe to the newsletter and be sent an email as the newsletters are posted. The board was supportive of the change but wanted licensees to be informed.

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- Notice rule 61G10-18, FAC, continuing education for development.

IV. Action Required

- Ms. Chastain and Ms. Guillemette to write Mr. Martin of the board's decision regarding the special committee.
- The next board meeting will be held on May 4, 2007 in Sarasota.

Juanita Chastain
Executive Director