

MINUTES
BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL
Toll Free 888.808.6959; Conference Code 9218690

General Business Meeting
June 24, 2008
2:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Walter called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Collene Walter
Elizabeth Marshall-Beasley
Elizabeth Gillick
Paul Davis

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Terri Estes, Government Analyst
Jessica Leigh, Prosecuting Attorney
Diane Guillemot
Emily O'Mahoney
Mary Bates
John Cardella
Margie Mandoney
Henry Meyer

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Ms. Walter explained that the courses on the agenda from the American Society of Landscape Architects were courses that the board previously reviewed and asked for additional information prior to making a final determination.

- a. Photoshop Sketchup Perspective Workshop
- b. Photoshop 2D Plan Workshop

Ms. Mahoney explained the above courses were new courses. Ms. Marshall-Beasley indicated she reviewed the courses and they were fine.

MOTION: Ms. Gillick moved to approve the courses.

SECOND: Mr. Davis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Ms. Walter explained the next item was the one that was resubmitted for reconsideration from the American Society of Landscape Architects/Florida Chapter.

a. The City as an Inspiration Landscape

Ms. Marshall-Beasley indicated the issue was the time allotted for the course and the course is now actually five minutes over.

MOTION: Ms. Gillick moved to approve the course.

SECOND: Mr. Davis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Ms. Walter explained the next item was also resubmitted for reconsideration from the University of Florida Cooperative

a. Building a Green Future

Ms. Walter stated the discrepancy was on the credit hours. Ms. Marshall-Beasley stated the course had been changed to 3.25. The Board discussed if it should be approved for 3 or 3.5.

MOTION: Mr. Davis moved to approve the course for 3 hours.

SECOND: Ms. Gillick seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Ms. Estes commented that the course had been taught on June 21, 2008 and asked about credit for those landscape architects that attended. Ms. Walter commented the rules were very clear that credit cannot be given retroactively.

Mr. Henry Mayer indicated there were five landscape architects who attended the course.

Ms. Walter stated that the Board had been approached on other similar circumstances and does not believe the course can be approved.

Ms. Estes commented that it was her understanding that the course had been approved but the issue was for how many hours because of the discrepancy in the paperwork submitted. The original paperwork had 3.5 on one document and

2.5 on another. She stated that Mr. Mayer was inquiring as to what to put on the certificates?

Ms. Guillemette stated that if it was approved at the last meeting the certificate should state 2.5 and not the 3 that was approved today.

Ms. Estes commented she would clarify what action the Board took at the last meeting and let Mr. Mayer know.

RATIFICATION LIST

All members commented they received the ratification list. Ms. Walter added Ivy League Landscape Architects, Inc. to the list and indicated all records were checked.

MOTION: Mr. Davis moved to approve the ratification list.

SECOND: Ms. Marshall-Beasley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Walter stated that she invited Ms. Mary Bates to participate in the conference call. Ms. Bates had contacted Ms. Walter regarding additional courses for the Florida Chapter conference.

Ms. Bates stated that a couple of courses were denied and they had advertised that those courses would not be available for credit. She indicated that the instructor for green lighting course had been approved for other classes and would like the Board to re-review the course at their July meeting to determine that it is not a product presentation. If the Board approved the course then it could be taught the Saturday after the Board meeting. However, the course would not have a number.

Ms. Guillemette stated that the approval would be effective the date of the meeting even without a number. Ms. Marshall-Beasley asked how the course would be credited without a number. Ms. Guillemette stated it would be handled by the Department.

Ms. Mahoney stated that the green lighting course had been revised but the Board was concerned that the instructor did not have the certification behind him to satisfy the Board.

Ms. Marshall-Beasley commented the bibliography and outline was just too loose to make the decision.

Ms. Marshall-Beasley stated that her concern was that this was the third time the Board had seen this and if he is having this much trouble providing a one page outline then what confidence does the Board have that the course will be organized.

Ms. O'Mahoney commented that he has offered classes similar to this but not for credit. His attendees like the class and that is why he came to be part of the conference.

Ms. Marshall-Beasley stated he is fabulous with pools but needs to demonstrate some landscape architectural expertise.

Ms. Walter indicated that lighting outlines should not be that difficult to provide. There are a lot of components to teaching an approach to lighting; different types of fixtures, where do you use them, etc. The fact that they cannot get a more detailed outline for an hour and half course makes her wonder why based on other courses they have approved.

Ms. Gillick asked what other classes the instructor was teaching.

Ms. O'Mahoney stated she understood he was approved for other classes but did not know which ones.

Ms. Walter stated the Board would reconsider in July but it needs reworking.

Ms. O'Mahoney stated she would submit the paperwork for Ms. Marshall-Beasley to review.

Ms. Bates indicated that one of the speakers would not be available so they need to submit an updated bio on another speaker. How does that get approval?

Ms. Guillemette stated the Bureau of Education and Testing could provide that information.

Ms. Estes commented Ms. Chastain was traveling and Ms. Tinsley was out ill.

The Board thanked Ms. Estes for assisting.

Ms. Leigh informed the Board she accepted another position and was leaving the Department.

The Board wished her well and thanked her for her service.

The meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

