

**MINUTES
BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE**

**TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL
Toll Free 888.808.6959; Conference Code 9218690**

**General Business Meeting
September 11, 2008 @ 10:00 a.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Walter called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Collene Walter
Elizabeth Marshall-Beasley
Robert Bowden
Joseph Delate
Brian Walker
Ernest Paskey

MEMBERS ABSENT

Philip Graham (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT

Juanita Chastain, Executive Director
Linda Tinsley, Government Analyst
Diane Guillemette, Board Counsel
LeChea Parson, Prosecuting Attorney
Margie Menduni
Rob Rosner

Ms. Chastain advised the board that Mr. Graham would not be in attendance at the meeting because he was recovering from back surgery.

MOTION: Ms. Marshall - Beasley made a motion to excuse Mr. Graham's absence.

SECOND: Mr. Walker seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**REVIEW OF CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE/PROVIDER
APPLICATIONS**

Ms. Marshall-Beasley advised the board that she had reviewed the application and she recommended approval of the course submitted by Skinner Nurseries.

MOTION: Mr. Bowden made a motion to approve the following course application submitted by Skinner Nurseries.

SECOND: Dr. Paskey seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Skinner Nurseries

Root Structure Advancements – 5 hours

Ms. Marshall-Beasley advised the board that she had reviewed all of the courses submitted by the National American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) and she recommended approval.

MOTION: Mr. Bowden made a motion to approve the following courses submitted the National ASLA.

SECOND: Dr. Paskey seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

American Society of Landscape Architects

Artful Rainwater Design: Creative Strategies to Transform Stormwater Management into Rainwater Amenity – 1.5 hours

Implementing Sustainable Stormwater Management: Lessons Learned from 10 Years of Collaboration – 1.5 hours

Selecting an Office Software Palette: Maximizing the Benefit without Breaking the Bank – 1.5 hours

Integrating Water Features in Your Design: Achieving a Natural Look – 1.5 hours

Louisiana Speaks Three Years after Katrina and Rita – 1.5 hours

Realizing Sustainable Soils: The Hardball Politics of Designed Soils – 1.5 hours

Return of the Natives: Sustainable Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality Protection at Fresh Pond – 1.5 hours

Essential Tree Issues: Planting to Preservation – 1.5 hours

Sustainable Practice in China – 1.5 hours

Greening Commercial Development: Lessons in the Economics of Sustainable Design – 1.5 hours

Green Area Ration Site Metrics – 1.5 hours

Inside the LA Studio with Mikyoung Kim – 1.5 hours

Pennswood Village: We All Live Downstream – 5 hours

Ms. Walter advised the board that she had a suggestion on the provider application for Olympic Stone and Marble. She stated that on the certificate of completion she suggested that the license number of the participant be placed under the participant's name and that learning unit be changed to credit hour.

After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

MOTION: Dr. Paskey made a motion to approve the provider application with the certificate of completion as amended.

SECOND: Mr. Bowden seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Guillemette asked the board if they had orally amended the certificate or did the board want an order that approval would be contingent upon receiving a corrected certificate.

Ms. Walter stated that Ms. Auguste could review the corrected certificate without the corrected certificate coming back to the board.

Ms. Chastain advised the board that she would tell Alex what the board had requested and ask her to obtain an updated certificate for the file.

REQUEST TO RE-SCHEDULE EXAM

Antonio Marshall

Ms. Walter advised the board that Mr. Marshall was requesting that the board allow him to re-schedule section E of the exam due to a broken hand.

Ms. Marshall-Beasley stated that she wanted to know when he broke his hand.

Ms. Tinsley stated that she would call Mr. Marshall and ask him when he broke his hand.

MOTION: Mr. Paskey made a motion to table the issue until later in the agenda.

SECOND: Mr. Walker seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

RATIFICATION LIST (E-MAIL)

Ms. Walter advised the board that two (2) ratification lists were e-mailed to the board. Ms. Walter reviewed the lists with the board.

MOTION: Mr. Paskey made a motion to approve the ratification lists as presented.

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

Certificate of Authorization

Richard Bartlett Landscape, Inc, and Andrew S. Dance & Associates, LLC.

Endorsement

Erik J. Sweet, and Dan B. Trust

Exam

Curtis Robert Cahoon, Brian J. Godfrey, Jeremy Ron Harris, Joshua B. Serck, Jennifer Joan Rogers, Justin D. Parker, Gustavo Adolfo Barreto, Tara Yvette Klein, Leah R. Mader, and Alan Edward Rosenwinkel

Temporary Certificate

William Reed Johnson

Mr. Delate advised the board that he would not be able to attend the October 24, 2008 board meeting due to a commitment made prior to being appointed to the board.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Delate advised the board that he attended the CLARB meeting held in San Diego, California September 4-6, 2008. He stated that CLARB had made great strides in elevating the organization since their new management team had been brought on board. He stated that there was discussion to include travel costs in the annual dues. He stated that there was discussion on election of officers at the annual meeting, which occurs now, as opposed to online elections or elections in advance. Mr. Delate stated that the election of officers would be deliberated by CLARB and a recommendation would be issued. He stated that there was a discussion to continue with CLARB sponsored regional testing centers and that issue would be re-evaluated. Mr. Delate stated that there was a discussion on erosion of licensure in several states after a tax by engineering boards. He stated that there was a round table discussion that illuminated several concerns and ideas from members such as developing a database of volunteers, the resources, the interests and the committees etc. of CLARB. He stated that overlapping the meeting with ASLA national conference and providing continuing education at the meetings was also discussed. He stated that sharing

information electronically was discussed and web initiatives. Mr. Delate advised the board that CLARB had created new goals and objectives for the future. He stated that they have a very good strategic plan of stressing high quality customer service. He stated that Nancy Summerville from ASLA made a presentation on working on guidelines for continuing education nationally. He stated that he enjoyed attending the meeting and it was very informative.

Ms. Marshall-Beasley asked if the exam was discussed at the CLARB meeting.

Mr. Delate stated that the exam was discussed briefly and CLARB was going to eliminate fingerprinting and they were going to try to receive more feedback from the volunteers and the users. He stated that they were also looking at a new coding system for the exam.

Ms. Marshall-Beasley stated that the real issue was getting licensure up and running and the exam. She stated that these issues have taken a back burner on the last few conferences. She stated that she is concerned that the focus is not on the exam and getting people through the exam.

Mr. Delate stated that he agreed that the exam should be the focus.

Ms. Chastain advised the board that there was a separate meeting for Executive Directors at the CLARB meeting. She stated that Cleve Turner and President Elect Dennis Wilkerson attended the meeting and asked if it would be advantageous if an Executive Director actually served on the board. She stated that the committee was going to come up with some ideas and would formulate an agenda for the next CLARB meeting.

Mr. Delate asked if the board had a strategic plan.

Ms. Walter stated that to her knowledge the board did not have a strategic plan.

Ms. Guillemette advised the board that the legislature tells the board what the board's duties and obligations are.

Ms. Marshall-Beasley stated that she agrees with Ms. Guillemette that the board is set by legislative mandate. She stated that there was some merit in there somewhere if the board targeted certain activities such as stormwater.

Ms. Walter asked when the next CLARB meeting was.

Mr. Delate stated that the next CLARB meeting was February 27-28, 2009 in Charleston, South Carolina.

Ms. Walter advised board staff to put a CLARB discussion on the January meeting agenda. She stated that the board could give Ms. Chastain and Mr.

Delate comments and direction to take back to the CLARB meeting in February 2009.

Ms. Chastain asked the board if they wanted to set the date for the January 2009 meeting.

The board decided to schedule the meeting for January 16, 2009.

Ms. Tinsley advised the board that she had contacted Mr. Marshall and he stated that he fell in December and injured his hand. She stated that he tried to let it heal on its own. Ms. Tinsley stated that he did not go to the doctor until June and the doctors were upset with him and he has had several splints and is still in therapy.

After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

MOTION: Ms. Marshall-Beasley made a motion to approve Mr. Marshall's request to re-schedule the CLARB exam.

SECOND: Dr. Paskey seconded the motion and the motion passed ` unanimously.

Ms. Marshall-Beasley stated that she thought the continuing education at the Florida ASLA conference was fabulous. She stated that she wanted to thank the Florida ASLA for working with the board.

Ms. Walter stated that she agreed with Ms. Marshall-Beasley it was a great conference.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.