# MINUTES BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

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General Business Meeting February 24, 2009 10:00 a.m.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Marshall-Beasley called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Elizabeth Marshall-Beasley, Chair Collene Walter Dr. Ernest Paskey Phil Graham Robert Bowden Joseph Delate

## **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Brian Walker, Excused

## OTHERS PRESENT

Juanita Chastain, Executive Director Linda Tinsley, Government Analyst LeChea Parson, Prosecuting Attorney Diane Guillemette Rob Rosner Ines Gersdorf

## **CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Dr. Paskey expressed concern about a course he approved that contained an advertisement and he returned the materials to the Bureau of Education and Testing with a note that the advertisement should be removed.

Dr. Paskey explained that the course on the agenda from Red Vector.com, Theory of Measurement, by Dr. Buckner was not applicable to landscape architecture. He indicated he took the course online and found it confusing. It is an extremely complex course. He indicated that based on feedback from other landscape architects the material is not related to landscape architecture.

Ms. Guillemette asked if the materials did not fall under Rule 61G10-18.006(5)(b) talks about the determination of grounds or setting. She asked if the course would fall under that provision.

Dr. Paskey stated the course was to the abstract. Ms. Walter explained that if you just read the text that it would meet (b) but the actual application of the course is not really putting forth what the written text is telling you the course will do.

**MOTION:** Ms. Walter moved to deny the course per Rule 61G10-18.006,

FAC.

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

Dr. Paskey asked for the board's review of Florida Concrete and Products Association course Parking Area Finisher Certification Workshop and questioned if the course was relevant. After discussion the board agreed it was.

**MOTION:** Dr. Paskey moved to approve the following provider and course

applications as well as the ratification list included in the agenda:

Florida Concrete and Products Association Provider Application and courses Construction of Portland Cement Pervious Computerized Design Service Life Cost Parking Concrete Parking Lot Design Seminar Pervious Concrete Pavement Seminar Advanced Stucco Techniques Sustainable Design with Concrete Basics

RedVector.com, Provider 1771, courses

FBC 2007 Accessible Elements Spaces Part 1

FBC 2007 Accessible Elements Spaces Part 2

FBC 2007 Accessible Elements Spaces Part 3

School of Environmental Design, University of Georgia, Provider 3502, courses On Site Stormwater Management Runoff and Infiltration On Site Stormwater Management Rainwater Harvesting Bioretention On Site Stormwater Management

The following courses were on the ratification list:

Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association Jacksonville Landscape Show – 4 hrs. (0008378) Samnik and Associates

Transplanting Palms a New Paradigm – 1 hr (0008379)

RedVector.com

Runoff Analysis using the USGS Method Part 1 – 3 hrs (008194)

Runoff Analysis using the USGS Method Part 2 – 2 hrs (008195)

Introduction to Mineral Soils – 1 hr (0007652)

Runoff Analysis using the USGS Method Florida – 1 hr (0007964)

Geotechnology Geographic Information Systems – 5 hrs (0007962)

ADA Guidelines Recreation Facilities – 2 hrs (0007959)

ADA Guidelines General Site Building Elements – 1 hr (0007958)

Signage for Architect ID LA – 2 hrs (0007645)

Coastal Engineering Tides – 2 hrs (0007642)

Understanding Utility Cadd Standards – 4 hrs (0007653)

Geotechnology Cartography Mapping and Map Serving – 3 hrs (0007961)

Geotechnology Global positions Systems – 2 hrs (0007963)

AutoCAD Land Desktop Plotting Basics – 3 hrs (0008185)

Regenerative Design Solar Heating IAQ – 3 hrs (0008191)

Designing for Sun Wind Light Strategies – 3 hrs (0008188)

Basic Civil Engineering Sewers Sewerage – 1 hr (0007640)

Basic Civil Engineering Sewage Treatment – 1 hr (0007639)

Basic Civil Engineering Culvert Design – 1 hr (0007647)

Basic Civil Engineering Asphalt – 1 hr (0007638)

Alternate Dispute Resolution Arbitration Mediation – 3 hrs (0007637)

A Wetland Primer for Design Professionals – 1 hr (0007635)

A Wetland Primer Advanced Field Evaluation – 2 hrs (0007636)

**SECOND:** Mr. Graham seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

# **RATIFICATION LIST**

Mr. Graham indicated he did not receive the ratification list and would not be voting on the list.

**MOTION:** Mr. Bowden moved to approve the ratification list.

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

The following were on the ratification list:

#### **Certificate of Authorization:**

Section L, Inc., Susan Hall Landscape Architecture, Inc., Greenprint Studio, LLC, Bell & Aqui Landscape Architecture, LLC, Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., Magnolia Designs, Inc.

# **Temporary Certificate of Authorization**

Tavis H. Dockwiller

### Exam

Katherine B. Binkowski, Justin Lee Rietema, Valerie E. Aymer, Brian Nuchouts Gyory

### **Endorsement**

Raymond Eugene Myers, Michael David Turner, Brett Thornton Lemmon

Ms. Chastain informed the board the application streamlining project was close to completion. The board asked that the forms be complete by June so they could be shared with the Florida Chapter American Society of Landscape Architecture (ASLA) at their annual conference. Ms. Chastain indicated she thought they would be complete by that time.

Ms. Guillemette provided the rules report. She indicated that the board did not have a rule regarding distance learning and she requested that a rule be developed in 61G10-18.002, FAC. Ms. Walter commented that perhaps the provision should be in the course requirements.

**MOTION:** Dr. Paskey moved to open for development 61G10-18.002, FAC,

61G10-18.003, FAC and 61G10-18.006, FAC.

**SECOND:** Ms. Walter seconded the motion it passed unanimously.

The board discussed Rule 61G10-15.005, FAC, regarding responsible supervision. Ms. Guillemette suggested that the rule be deleted. She stated that Chapter 481.321(3), FS, indicates that a landscape architect shall not sign or seal any plan or document that was not prepared by them or under their control.

The board did not think it appropriate to delete the entire rule. After discussion the board agreed to the following:

- (1) delete within that office
- (2) delete
- (3) delete
- (4) move to advertising rule
- (5) delete

Ms. Guillemette indicated she would work up the rule and it would be on the next agenda.

Ms. Guillemette asked that the rule regarding continuing education and dual license holders be tabled until the April meeting.

**MOTION:** Dr. Paskey moved to table the discussion until the April meeting.

**SECOND:** Mr. Graham seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

## **APPLICATION REVIEW**

Ms. Ines Gersdorf was online. Ms. Gersdorf was applying for examination. Ms. Gersdorf's education was from a foreign university. She had an evaluation from Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc. indicating a Bachelor's degree in Landscape Architecture and a Master's degree in Landscape Architecture. Ms. Guillemette indicated there were two ways to get licensed; 1.) education approved by the Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB) and 2.) six years experience and each year of school in a recognized school can be counted as experience. The board discussed the possibility of Ms. Gersdorf applying as a six year candidate with a combination of education and experience.

Ms. Gersdorf waived her 90 day deemer requirement and will provide documents to be reviewed as a six year candidate. Ms. Guillemette informed Ms. Gersdorf that she would also need to request a rule waiver for the educational aspect of the rule.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Marshall-Beasley indicated they were not seeing Florida Chapter ASLA courses and she was hoping to avoid the confusion the board experienced last year prior to the conference.

Ms. Marshall-Beasley indicated she was beginning to hear rumbles about the fall renewal and asked if they could extend continuing education requirements because of hardship cases.

Ms. Chastain stated that if continuing education was not completed the license could not be renewed. She indicated she would inquire of other professions if a renewal period could be extended because of the economy and hardship on licensees. Ms. Chastain stated she would put the item on the agenda for April.

Ms. Walter commented that if licensees fail to renew it would impact the board's funds. Ms. Chastain agreed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.