

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

#### I. General Information

Meeting Date: August 31, 2004  
Meeting Type: General Business Meeting  
Meeting Location: Telephone Conference Call  
850.414.5775  
Members Present: Mr. Paul Davis, Ms. Elizabeth Marshall-Beasley, Ms. Elizabeth Gillick, Mr. Phillip Graham and Ms. Collene Walter  
Members Absent: None  
Others Present: Ms. Juanita Chastain, Ms. Linda Tinsley, Ms. Barbara Edwards, Mr. David Nam, Mr. Brian Higgins and Ms. Diane Guillemette

#### II. Major Issues/Actions

- The board reviewed three continuing education courses. Two were approved and one was approved contingent on receipt of additional information.
- Ms. Edwards informed the board she would no longer be serving as counsel and introduced the new counsel, Ms. Diane Guillemette.
- The board approved the ratification list.
- The board discussed the continuing education requirement for two-hours of advanced building code courses. Ms. Edwards informed the board that the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee has taken exception to other professions trying to set the hours at zero. The board decided to leave the two-hour rule requirement in place.
- The board asked Ms. Edwards to draft a letter to the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) and the Florida Building Commission concerning their frustration with DCA's failure to comply with Section 553.841(6), Florida Statutes, concerning advanced building code courses.
- The board asked that a letter be sent to the American Society of Landscape Architects/Florida Chapter (ASLA) explaining why they are leaving the advanced two-hour requirement.
- The board asked Ms. Chastain to send a follow-up letter to Mr. Roy Wilson and inform him advanced hours are required.
- The board asked Ms. Walter to prepare a newsletter article outlining the history of the advanced building code course.
- The board discussed their dissatisfaction with the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards (CLARB) and the computer based administration of the examination. They directed Mr. Davis to write a letter to James Penrod, CLARB's director of

examinations to convey the board's concerns and inquire as to how CLARB intends to deal with the examination challenges.

- Ms. Gillick read a letter from an examination candidate into the record. The candidate experienced problems with the examination and with the study materials that were purchased from CLARB. Ms. Gillick asked that a copy of the letter be faxed to all board members.
- Ms. Marshall-Beasley complimented Mark Reddinger and the unlicensed activity program for acting quickly and effectively regarding an unlicensed matter.
- Mr. Nam informed the board that the City of Tallahassee is developing a design manual that is silent to landscape architecture. He asked that the board write a letter concerning the scope of practice. Ms. Edwards informed the board it was not appropriate for the board to do so but the association could speak on the issue. The board asked Ms. Edwards to research what the board's involvement could be when local governments attempt to limit a profession's scope of practice.

### **III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation**

- The board voted to amend rule 61G10-18.001 continuing education credit requirement by deleting subsection 1 but leaving the two-hour requirement for the advanced building code courses.
- The board approved rule 61G10-18.002 board approval of continuing education providers. They asked Ms. Chastain to inquire if a download form could be put on the web.
- The board was informed rule 61G10-11.0035 exemption of spouses of members of armed forces from licensure renewal provisions was adopted.

### **IV. Action Required**

- Ms. Chastain to verify that a download version of the form used for continuing education providers may be put on the website.
- A board newsletter is to be published. Ms. Walter is to prepare an article on the advanced building code course requirement.
- Ms. Edwards to draft letters to DCA and ASLA.
- Mr. Davis to write a letter to Mr. Penrod concerning the computer based testing examination administration.
- Ms. Chastain to write a follow-up letter to Mr. Wilson.
- Ms. Chastain to fax board members letter from examination candidate.
- Ms. Edwards to research the board's involvement when local governments attempt to limit a profession's scope of practice.
- The next board meeting will be October 22, 2004 in Singer Island.

Juanita Chastain  
Executive Director

