

**Board of Landscape Architects**  
**December 6, 2012**  
**5950 Carmichael Place**  
**Montgomery, AL**

Present: Larry Bates, Lea Ann Macknally, Lois Shindelbower and Leigh Moorer

Chairman Bates called the meeting to order at 10:10am with all Board members present. After an opportunity to review the minutes from the April 2012 meeting, Mrs. Macknally made a motion to accept the minutes and Ms. Schindelbower offered a second to the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The issue of Certificates of Authorization was discussed and the various interpretations relating to the companies that need a COA. It was decided to ask the Board attorney for a final decision and compile a list of companies that would possibly be affected.

The financial reports from the Comptroller were reviewed and discussed as well as the FY 13 Op Plan and the Budget Request for FY13-14. Ms. Shindelbower made a motion to approve the FY 13 Op Plan and Mrs. Macknally offered a second to the motion. The motion was unanimous. Next, Mrs. Macknally made a motion to approve the FY 13-14 Budget Request. Ms. Shindelbower offered a second to the motion, which carried unanimously.

HB 374 was discussed and Mrs. Macknally made a motion to adopt the changes in the Board's governing statute as outlined in final passage of the bill (act # 2012-431). Ms. Shindelbower offered a second to the motion, which carried unanimously.

Diversity of the Board was discussed and it was agreed the Board is sensitive to the issue and will work toward both geographic and racial diversity.

Ms. Moorer reported to the Board that the new certificate re-design has apparently stalled. Chairman Bates volunteered to follow up with the designer.

Ms. Moorer reminded the Board of the upcoming Board training that is scheduled for January, 2013.

Continuing education was discussed and the Board agreed CE was general professional development that can either be self studies via the computer, or with an instructor or seminar leader. Teaching or leading a seminar or course of study is also acceptable. Continuing education is also meant to be courses or seminars that keep Landscape Architects up to date on the current issues facing the profession and how those issues directly impact the health, safety and welfare of clients and the public.

Different college programs that might be acceptable as an avenue for Landscape Architecture licensure were discussed. Although degrees such as engineering and architecture are closely related to the curriculum of Landscape Architecture, the Board decided that currently it did not want to take action on the issue. Ms.

Shindelbower will talk to ASLA about the issue and ask about the Board being part of any discussion that might develop relating to this issue.

Reinstatement of lapsed licenses was next on the agenda. Because of various considerations when a person has allowed his or her license to expire, Mrs. Macknally made a motion to consider reinstatements on a case by case basis. Ms. Shindelbower offered a second to the motion, which carried unanimously.

The FY2012 Report to the Governor was reviewed and Ms. Shindelbower made a motion to approve the report and Mrs. Macknally offered a second. The motion carried unanimously.

The latest report of the operations audit performed on behalf of the Legislative Sunset Committee was discussed and Mrs. Macknally made a motion to correct the issues that were noted by the auditors. Ms. Shindelbower offered a second and the motion carried unanimously.

With no further agenda items to discuss, Mrs. Macknally made a motion to adjourn at 12:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Leigh Moorer  
Administrator



Lawrence L. Bates  
Chair