

Alabama Board of Landscape Architects
Minutes
April 4, 2013
Aldridge Gardens

Present: Larry Bates, Lea Ann Macknally, Lois Shindelbower and Leigh Moorero. Guests include Sharon Nelson, Stephen Schrader, Chad Bostick and Mike Donnelly.

With all members present, Chairman Bates called the meeting to order at 10:01. After some time to review the minutes from the December 2012 meeting, Mrs. Macknally made a motion to approve the minutes, with Ms. Shindelbower offering a second. The motion carried unanimously.

The FY 2013 Finances were reviewed and Ms. Moorero provided an update on revenue, currently at \$40,900 and the number of licensees (including renewals, reinstatements and new), currently at 250. She also shared figures from the Comptroller website and the newly designed Excel spreadsheet showing the same.

Guest presentations began with Mr. Schrader and Mrs. Nelson who provided a general update on the upcoming Twin States Conference, the Certificate of Merit bill currently making its way through the Legislative process and finally, the PLA/RLA designation. Even though it is now a protected designation, it was agreed upon by the Board not to actively use RLA on any correspondence from the Board office because of the current confusion, both nationally and locally on the designation.

Ms. Moorero's contract was reviewed and Ms. Shindelbower made a motion to renew her current contract with Mrs. Macknally offering a second to the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed refunds and if refunds should be issued once a renewal has been received. Ms. Shindelbower made a motion that no refunds be issued after funds have been deposited. Mrs. Macknally offered a second to the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Moorero provided an updated on the new certificate and reported that progress is being made. A prototype should be available to present at the upcoming Twin States Conference.

Mr. Donnelly led an informal discussion on stormwater management and the issues he was having in the Huntsville area with state law and city ordinances in conflict relating to what a Landscape Architect can stamp. There was no action taken by the board relating to the topic.

After all other guests left the meeting, the Board granted Mr. Bostick's request to address them about the complaint brought against him and the resulting administrative hearing that was conducted on Feb 15, 2013.

At 11:22am, Mrs. Macknally read the following motion to go into executive session: "I move that the Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects convene in Executive Session for the purpose of deliberating and discussing evidence and testimony presented in a public hearing, as allowed by the Code of Alabama Section 36-25A-7(9)". Ms. Shindelbower offered a second to the motion and Mr. Bates agreed, making the motion unanimous. Mr. Bostick exited the meeting.

At 11:25am, the board convened an executive session. The general meeting was reconvened at 11:45am on April 4, 2013.


Mrs. Macknally made a motion relating to the Board of Landscape Architects vs. Bostick to set Mr. Bostick's fine as license suspension for one year beginning May 1, impose a fine of \$250 and, if possible, request reimbursement to the Board for administrative costs relating to the hearing. Ms. Shindelbower offered a second to the motion and Mr. Bates agreed, making the motion unanimous.

Under new business, there were short general discussions on the website and office insurance through Risk Management.

With no further business, Ms. Shindelbower made a motion to adjourn at noon.

Respectfully submitted,


Leigh Moorer
Administrator


Larry Bates
Chairman