American Planning Association Idaho Chapter

APA Idaho Executive Board

Minutes for April 9, 2015

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Daren called the meeting to order; roll call was taken; a quorum was present.

Sabrina made a motion to approve the March 12, 2015 minutes. Mike seconded; the motion carried.

Jeff presented the Treasure’s report. Charges and expenses for purposes of the grant have been broken out separate and that money will come out of the grant. The recurring charges are still presenting a problem and Jeff is continuing to work to resolve this matter. We will pursue escalating the matter to a higher level. Brad Cramer moved to direct Jeff to take all measures necessary to get these charges stopped and removed from our account. Brad Clark seconded; the motion carried. Jeff Pavlovich is representing APA Idaho on the Idaho Rural Partnership and he submitted his invoice for expenses. Brad Cramer moved to approve the treasure’s report and expenditures. Brad Clark seconded; the motion carried.

Aaron Qualls updated the Board on the 2015 Conference. A save the date announcement was sent to the membership. The venue is reserved. The awards ceremony will be held Wednesday night. Subcommittees are working on various tasks, and doing good work. Final details of speakers are still in the works; Aaron will provide an update at the May meeting so that the Board can vote on this issue.

Daren discussed the $125,000 Plan for Health grant. The money should be distributed soon. He said they are up and running, they have a scope of work, and a consultant. Diane will be the grant administrator on behalf of the chapter.

A discussion was held concerning the proposed bylaw amendments. Ballots will be sent to the membership in the next couple of weeks. If the bylaw amendment passes, this year’s election will still only be for Region Representatives, and we would move forward with the restructure during the 2016 elections. Daren reminded the Board that the proposed restructure would be made up of a Vice President/President Elect, President, and Immediate Past President.

In light of the cancelled spring mini conference, Diane contacted Leon from AIC about joining with them to provide sessions at their June conference to provide law and ethics CM credits.

Diane gave the Board a brief update of developments concerning the BSU planning program. University of Idaho has expressed interest in picking up the program as an expansion of bioregional program. The President of U of I has given approval, and dedicated some financial resources toward making it happen. There is a proposal before the Board of Education for BSU to create a tract in urban planning in their master’s program of Public Administration. The Board had a lengthy discussion concerning if we should send a letter on behalf APA Idaho concerning the development of the planning programs. Sabrina made a motion to send a letter to the Board of Education on behalf of APA Idaho stating that we believe a full robust planning program is the best option. Diane seconded; the motion passed.

Maureen gave an update on the Idaho Rural Partnership. They are very thankful for our financial support. Maureen provided details on some restructuring taking place with them.

Brad Clark provided a legislative update. The eminent domain bill passed. The annexation bills didn’t go anywhere.

Mike reminded the Board that the Inland Empire conference is coming up the first week of June.

Don discussed a couple of events that will be taking place in Region 3. Don has been communicating with members in his region concerning these events.

Mike moved to adjourn. Don seconded; the motion carried.

*Respectfully submitted by Mary Huff – Secretary*