American Planning Association Idaho Chapter

APA Idaho Executive Board

Minutes for March 14, 2013

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1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by Jon Cecil at 12:05 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:** By Jon Cecil. A quorum was present.
3. **Approval of minutes for February 14th 2013:** Diane made a motion to approve the minutes, Mike seconded, Anna and Renee abstained. Motion passed.
4. **Treasurer’s Report –** Tabled until the April meeting, Renee will present both March and April reports at that time.
5. **Planner’s Book Club** – Diane did not have an update at this time, she needs to send out a survey to see what the interest level is. She will give an update at the April meeting.
6. **2013 Conference Update – October 9th-11th**, **2013** - Brad provided an update on the planning of the annual conference. All of the committees are put together, except the volunteer committee. Remington Buyer has agreed to chair that committee. Each committee has 4- 6 members. A volunteer, Ellen Campfield Nelson, has agreed to design the conference logo and program cover. Brad is still looking for ideas for a keynote speaker.

Work continues on the film for Thursday night. The Gasland filmmakers said they would not give us a license to show their film if we also planned on showing Truthland. It is their belief that Truthland was not journalistic. Mary stated that she was not comfortable any time that a different point of view is attempted to be silenced. Brad stated that Truthland was sponsored by the gas companies, and that he felt that Truthland was more of a promo. Brad stated that the Gasland people said they would waive or reduce the licensing fee if we didn’t have the budget for it. Anna made a motion to proceed with showing Gasland as long as we have an opposite balanced view point represented. Mary seconded; motion passed. Anna was concerned about paying for anything for the conference that we have not typically paid for in the past. Mary made a motion to try to get the licensing fee waived. Anna seconded the motion, Brad abstained; motion passed. Charles asked about the legal requirements of having a licensing fee. The theater will not show the film without a license, the waiver of the fee for that license does not create an issue.

1. **Consolidated Elections Resolution -** Daren sent out information concerning the proposed consolidation of elections for all chapters. Jon asked for general discussion. Anna felt that it was a good idea. As we have used APA National for elections, we have had better response. Anna felt like it was a great idea; Jon C. agreed stating that there would be no cost to the chapter. Charles asked how that worked with our staggered offices. National will accommodate annual elections; we may just need to work the new process into our bylaws. Anna volunteered to spearhead the committee on consolidated elections and updated bylaws, with an update at our April meeting. Anna made a motion that Joel sign the consolidated election resolution. Mary seconded; motion passed.
2. **Update Strategic Plan** – Joel gave a brief update to the Strategic Plan. Jon Norstog volunteered to assist with the update, Charles was volunteered as well. Joel is waiting on feedback. Anna did provide some input concerning the draft which may require changes to the bylaws, Joel will look into that. Joel is not comfortable moving forward without more input. Jon asked the Board to take the time to review the plan and provide comments to Joel. Joel will give an update at the April meeting.
3. **Budge**t – Renee sent the budget out to the Board; it is essentially the same budget as 2012. Renee has not gotten any comments from the Board. Renee will send the budget out again and this matter will be on the April agenda for adoption.
4. **Legislative Matters** - Jon Norstog provided an update to current legislative issues. H160 died; S1138 is the most pressing issue for us to comment on. Jon thought we should have someone present to testify when it goes on the agenda. Discussion was held regarding the bill that was an amendment to the comprehensive state water plan.
5. **Open Discussion**

Discussion was held concerning the spring mini conference. Anna spoke with Jaap Vos from BSU. They would like to team with us to get the room. Jap has given ethics presentations previously; he may be willing to help with that portion of the mini conference. Anna will contact Steve Miller from University of Idaho to get the legal credits approved. They are looking at making the conference a full day this year; the second part of the day would be real estate and financing. The fee structure is still being worked out as well as the date. Anna will provide another update at the April meeting.

District III has an opportunity to partner with the Idaho Green Building Group. They are hosting Mark Huppert for “Finding the Green” training to be held on April 29th, 2013. They are looking for sponsors to help cover some of their costs to get Mark here. Jon would like Idaho APA to contribute $100.00 to assist. Anna moved to approve a $100 expenditure. Joel seconded; motion passed.

1. **Meeting adjourned** at 1:00 pm