American Planning Association Idaho Chapter

APA Idaho Executive Board

Minutes for October 10, 2013

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Aaron Mondada, Student Rep

Daren called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm. Roll call was taken; a quorum was present.

Visitors present included APA National President Bill Anderson, Jerry Mason, Jon Norstog, Ellen Campfield-Nelson, and Chris Beck.

Daren welcomed the newly elected board members Brad Clark as Legislative Liaison and Don Matson as the Region three representative. The full Board introduced themselves and gave a brief professional background.

Due to a family emergency, the Treasurer’s report and draft budget were tabled until the November meeting.

Brad Cramer gave an update of the 2013 annual conference. Brad has received a lot of positive feedback already. He explained that prior to the conference the committee identified subjects that they wanted, and then tried to solicit presenters based on those topics. It is his belief that this approach produced better quality sessions. Daren explained that three years ago the Board decided to rotate the conference around the state between North Idaho, the Treasure Valley, and Eastern Idaho. 2014 is set to be in the Treasure Valley based on the rotation. Brad had previously sent a survey to the membership seeking input for desired locations. He will look up those results and report back to the Board at the next meeting. The meeting location, theme, and conference chair discussion will be added to the November agenda.

Charles brought up the idea of a Career Achievement award, or Idaho APA hall of Fame, or some other sort of lifetime recognition award. A suggestion was made for an addition to the Idaho APA web page to recognize past service to the chapter with names and photos.

Brad reported that the preliminary conference totals appear to indicate that Idaho APA netted approximately $15,000.

Ellen Campfield-Nelson asked if the Board would consider a one day forum for brainstorming and collaboration meetings. Maureen said that she would like to work on moving forward with that idea. Daren expressed his support for the idea and stated that the organization is in a good position to make something like this happen. Charles suggested increasing each regions education budget. A draft budget will be sent to the Board prior to the November meeting.

Don Matson discussed the APA web training series. COMPASS purchased only the streaming web training series and not the recorded series. The recorded series is typically available about eight weeks after the live webinar. Don will continue to work with the APA staff to get the recorded series purchased.

Brad Clark would like the chapter to work on trying to get more formal training for Planning Commissioners. He wants to look at partnering with AIC, and IAC to make sure we have educated commissioners. Daren suggested maybe working on educating commissioners at the region level.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25pm

*Respectfully submitted by Mary Huff, Secretary.*