

Association for Learning Environments Southwest Region

Board of Directors Meeting

Date: March 21, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Pacific

Conference Call: 1-877-326-0011 / *7408569*

Minutes

- 1) Call to Order – Wade Simpson
 - a) Roll Call: (min. 8- or EC Quorum) –Gary Payne
 - i) **Wade Simpson, Kevin Kemner, Marsha Perry-Park, Bill Gould, Tom Rushin, Gary Payne, Bill Heinicke, Julie Williams, Mark Davenport, Elizabeth Hawkins (AZ), Benjamin Gardner (NM), Ken Field (RMC), Hana Wright (UT), Laura Knauss (N.CA/Nev), Donna Robinson (HQ), Kari-Elin Mock (SchoolsNEXT),** Guests:
- 2) Meeting Minutes Approval February 2016—Gary Payne
 - a) **Approved, Tom moved to approve, Kevin 2nd,**
- 3) President's Report-Wade Simpson
 - a) **Conference next month, no new news.**
- 4) Financial Report Approval- Tom Rushin
 - a) **Same as last meeting. Just over \$29,000 balance.**
 - b) **Still need help from Chapters to find sponsorship for the event.**
- 5) International Board Update –Julie Williams
 - a) **No report from Julie. Donna reported there is an upcoming meeting on Thursday. Award nominations are open.**
- 6) Committee Reports:
 - i) Membership and Chapter Development Committee Chair- Bill Heinicke
 - (1) **Encourage people in the beginning of their careers to join, first 10 years of their career. May offer those people an incentive of some sort yet to be determined. We should find people in this category.**
 - ii) 2016 Conference Planning Chair- Kevin Kemner
 - (1) **Conference ready to go. Need attendees to register and get sponsors. AZ chapter and Donna have really stepped up.**
 - iii) SchoolsNext- Kari-elin Mock
 - (1) **Kari-elin involved with the High School/Higher Ed. Task Force. Currently researching other successful high school programs involving design competitions and/or multi-age involvement. A4LE could consider modeling SchoolsNEXT program after other successful ones or even seek partnerships with those organizations. Seeking input from Board members who have had experiences with programs such as ACE or other high school level design competitions in their local AIA chapters. Wade and Laura to share info from their local AIA chapter experiences in Nevada and California.**
 - iv) Nominations Committee Chair- Mark Davenport
 - (1) Fellows
 - (a) **Donna will send out a ballot for nominations from the Board which has a June deadline. Currently 2 nominees, Al Sena and Gary Payne. Mark made motion to**

forward both, Tom seconded, approved. June deadline for packets from the nominees. Donna to forward them.

(2) **Lifetime Achievement**

- (a) Put out an electronic ballot for Bill Heineke and Julie Williams as nominees. We are only allowed to recommend 1 person. Donna will put the nominations together. The other person would then be the nominee for next year.**

(3) **Monarch Award**

- (a) Currently have 3 submittals. Proceed with providing the jury with these 3 nominees. Mark will chair the committee. Kevin volunteered to be on the jury along with Bill G. and Wade S.**

(4) **Bob Vespar SW Planner of the Year**

- (a) Submissions due by March 30. 2 known to date submitting, Katherine and Brian Parker. Brian submitted last year and Donna will reach out to him to see if he would be willing to participate again this year. Mark will chair this as well. Gary and Tom.**

7) **Chapter Reports**

a) **Arizona- Elizabeth Hawkins**

- i) Conference details are being finalized, sponsorships, and attendance.**

b) **New Mexico- Benjamin Gardner**

- i) No report**

c) **Northern California/Nevada- Laura Knauss**

- i) The chapter has set a goal for 4 or 5 school tours over the course of a year. The first event was March 10th, a tour of 3 schools in Richmond, CA, with lunch. CASH board members joined the tour. The vendor who supplied the furniture at the schools also attended, a total of 22 in attendance for this first event. Next event is May 9 at a school in Bill H's district, followed by lunch and speaker at a furniture showroom.**

d) **Rocky Mtn- Ken Field**

- i) Monthly meeting last week, discussed upcoming programs. Last month significant presence at Douglas County School District summit. Upcoming events include a bond issue event that come up every 2 years. A school tour with security as a topic in next couple of weeks.**

e) **Utah- Hana Wright**

- i) Currently planning into SLC hosting next year's regional conference. Contact furniture vendors. March 21 -23 2017 for SLC Conference dates.**

8) **Open Issues/Discussion**

9) **Next Meetings- Meetings will occur on 3rd Monday of each month at 3:00 pm Pacific**

- a) Next meeting in Arizona at the Regional Conference.**

10) **Adjournment**