

MEETING MINUTES – August 2005

AIA/SWO/Board Meeting Minutes

4:00 pm, August 17, 2005, Lane Arts Council

Prepared by Scott Stolarczyk

Attending:

Scott Stolarczyk, Art Paz, Tricia Berg, James Lavagnino, Andrew Toney

Approval of minutes:

Minutes from July were approved, although Andrew thought Scott should lighten up.

Chapter Executive's Report

Andrew Toney

- Chelsea Cannon will be leaving Lane Arts Council and Eugene on September 16th. Goodbye Chelsea, and good luck.
- Andrew passed around a tally of the entry forms received for the 2005 Design Awards. 26 projects will be represented.
- Lane Arts has a new bookkeeper who so far has been top notch. Andrew and the bookkeeper will update the spreadsheet of AIA/SWO revenues and expenses so the data comes directly out of the accounting program rather than being transcribed to an Excel spreadsheet.
- There are about 900 AIA "Communities by Design" brochures now available at Lane Arts. These will go out with letters from our Chapter to local governments and planning departments. Art suggested that the Chapter should be follow up by offering to do formal presentation to City Council's in our area. Scott noted that Art now has his first goal for 2006.

President's Report

Scott Stolarczyk

- With very little detail provided, Scott reported that this year's AIA Pacific & Northwest Regional Conference was enjoyable.
- Scott will be part of a community panel to help select a new planning director for the City of Eugene. A small discussion ensued about what the finer qualities of a planning director should be. Pressing questions will be asked.

President Elect's Report

Art Paz

- Art has spoken with Bill Grille with the City of Springfield about an AIA/SWO design charrette next year. The City is very excited about the idea. Art noted that Don Lutes may be tapped for input and help. Art would also like to talk to Tricia about the details that has gone into planning past charrettes. The actual topic of the charrette is still to be worked out, but there is a lot of activity to tie together with a new Justice Center, improvements to the millrace, the Booth-Kelly complex, the Island Park area, and the downtown revitalization efforts. A few possible formats might be to assign different teams various parts of this, or to use those examples as starting points and look at how to create an urban design that ties it all together.
- Tricia recommended that there be some structure or program to the design problem. There are people who work better with this in place. The event can be kept loose enough, however, if others want to explore different ideas or themes.
- It was agreed that the event should be open to the public some one goal of the charrettes is for exposure of AIA/SWO.

- It is still to be determined how the event will be funded but Art has told the City that the minimum should be that the City cover all expenses related to the event.
- Art will check in at the University of Oregon Architecture Department to see if there is a class or studio planned for next year that could somehow be linked to the charrette, and other ways to involve students at the event. Scott noted this may be a good opportunity for the Chapter to introduce itself to the new dean of the AAA school.

Treasurer's Report

Tricia Berg

- No report.

Secretary's Report

Eric Gunderson

- Not in attendance.

Director's Report

Jim Lavagnino

- No report.

Associate Director's Report

Lana Sadler

- Not in attendance.
- Scott noted that there was good attendance at the intern social Lana organized and requests for similar events.
- Congratulations to Lana and Chuck on their marriage.

Past President's Report

Richard Shugar

- Not in attendance.

AIAS Liaison's Report

TBD

- No Report.

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm, about 15 minutes later than Andrew was hoping.
- The next Board meeting is planned for 4:00 Wednesday, September 21, 2005 at the Lane Arts Council offices.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Stolarczyk, AIA