

**AIASJ Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

10 May 2006 – 6:30 PM @ P.E.S.C. Boardroom

**1. Members Present 10 May 2006.****Present**

- Theo Bluhm, AIA (President)
- Rod Andreasen, AIA (Vice President)
- Paul Stommel, AIA (Secretary)
- John Frost, AIA (Treasurer)
- David Phillips, AIA (AIA CC Delegate)
- Bruce Poulsen, AIA (Director of Information /PR)
- Chris Johnson, AIA (Director of Membership)
- Claude Dechow, AIA (Director of Government Affairs)
- Arthur Dyson, AIA (Director Education)
- Rolando Gonzalez, AIA (Director of Education – COS)
- Ken Zamora, AIA (Director of Education – FCC)
- Mark Harold, AIA (Director of Continuing Education)
- Julie Jauriqu-Chipps, Associate (Associate Director)
- Skip Carlstrom, AIA (Consultant to Sand Event)
- Donald Landon, Student (Student Representative)

**Staff Present**

- Paul Bateman, Jr.
- Georgellen Bateman

**2. Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M by Theo Bluhm, AIA.****3. Attendance:**

The Board of Director members were directed to the sign-in sheet.

**4. Education for College of the Sequoias:**

Rolando Gonzalez, AIA stated that twelve people have their reservation in for the Barcelona trip including Paul Stommel, AIA.

Rolando brought with him the AIA scholarship winner Uriel Serna. Uriel has had a 4.0 g.p.a. while he's been at C.O.S. and will be going to either Woodbury University or to California State Polytechnic University, Pomona for the fall semester.

Rolando also mentioned that C.O.S. hosted a job fair at the college where different firms and companies come to the college specifically looking for students to hire. His architectural students got to meet with representative from Centex Homes. Centex Homes has agreed to set up a relationship with the students to hire some of the C.O.S. students and Rolando's hoping to be able to get a scholarship for the students in the future from Centex Homes.

Uriel, another student, and some of the engineering students recently designed the nutrition display for the children's museum in Visalia. The students will be building the display during the summer. It is anticipated that there will be a lot of publicity for this once it is completed, which will be good for the college.

The Design Village Competition at Cal Poly back in April was a huge event with fifty-four teams in San Luis Obispo for the competition. Rolando passed around a couple of pictures of the design that the students came up with for the competition and he mentioned that Uriel was the team leader for that as well. Rolando also had a CD with C.O.S.' pictures from the competition that he handed over to Theo Bluhm, AIA, and Theo mentioned that he would get with Georgellen and Paul Bateman in the near future and they would go over the CD and see what could be put on the website.

Rolando brought in two of the examples of the Hispanic Gallery submissions. The Visalia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce came to C.O.S. to see if they would be interested in doing a competition, where the students create a Hispanic Gallery. The Chamber is using the students as a way to get ideas for a real gallery that they want to build in Visalia. There will be cash prizes for first through fourth place that the Visalia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce will be awarding when they judge the projects. Rolando also mentioned that this was the first project that the students have done this year, where there was an actual site project for them to use when designing their project. The stipulation that Rolando made to the Chamber was that the projects would be done on the college's timeline so that he could work it into the criteria.

Rolando mentioned that the architect instructor, David Smith that was at the CSI Fresno Product Show and lectured on Sketch-Up was very pleased with the turn out that he had for the lecture. It was estimated that he had somewhere between twenty and twenty-five people at his lecture.

**5. Finance/Statement of Account Balance and Budget:**

John Frost, AIA, stated that the ending balance in the checking account, before the Downing Planetarium Event was \$20,354.18 and about \$5,000.00 in checks had been written since April 30<sup>th</sup>. The money market portfolio has \$49,507.34 in as of April 30<sup>th</sup>.

**6. Education:**

Arthur Dyson, AIA, mentioned that he spoke with Tom Nast, an attorney, this past weekend. About ten years ago, Arthur had Tom draw up papers to set up an Architectural Foundation in Fresno. Traditionally around the nation, it is primarily manned by those that are associated with architecture, such as widows of architects or people that have an interest in architecture, to get the word out to the public as to what architects can do for the public. It was suggested that a subcommittee be formed to go over the possibility of creating the Architectural Foundation.

Arthur also still wants to get together with Rolando Gonzalez, AIA; Ken Zamora, AIA; and whoever else that was involved with the Student Design Competition so that all the colleges will be designing the same items and possibly plan this for up to four years in advanced. If Arthur is unsuccessful at getting everyone together, Georgellen Bateman will be making the calls to set up a time when everyone can meet in the boardroom. It was agreed that Friday works best for everyone to meet at the PESC office.

**7. Director of Information and Public Relations:**

Bruce Poulsen, AIA, mentioned that CSI Fresno's Product Show and the Sketch-Up Seminar were both a success. Paul Stommel, AIA, attended the seminar and agreed that Sketch-Up is a great program for creating 3-D renderings.

Bruce reminded everyone that there is going to be a two-unit seminar presented by The Noble Company at the Piccadilly Inn Airport from 7:00a.m. to 9:00a.m. on Thursday, 18 May 2006.

Bruce mentioned that the next CSI Fresno Presentation on Tuesday, 16 May 2006, is going to be on identity theft and the woman presenting is with Pre-Paid Legal. She'll be discussing ways to protect yourself, such as shredding anything with your personal information.

#### **8. AIACC Delegate:**

David Phillips, AIA, went to the AIA California Council Board Meeting back in March and gave a report about what happened in Sacramento. They talked about Residential Construction Defect Litigation, Commercial Accessibility Litigation and how that ties into Title 24, Fair Public Works Contracts, and the Limited Liability Partnership.

David had the opportunity to meet with high staff members for Nicole Parra, Dean Florez, Charles Poochigian, and Juan Arambula. Using his National Federation of Independent Business card, he got in to see each of these people whereas some of the representatives from the bigger chapters didn't get a chance to see their Assemblypersons or Senators. When David went down to the National Federation of Independent Business office, during a free afternoon, he had about a forty-minute discussion with Dennis Trinidad, Governor Schwarzenegger's Small Business Administrator, on how small business can be fixed in California. The following day at the AIACC Board Meeting, David reported to the Board as to who he met with and how well each of his meetings went, with each of these individuals in Sacramento.

David also mentioned that Steve Castellanos of Quad Knopf in Visalia would like to become more active in our local chapter, it's just a matter of getting in contact with him to get him active with the San Joaquin Chapter.

David mentioned that he will be going down to Pasadena for AIACC meeting in a week and he'll give a full report on what happens at that meeting in June.

David discussed the relationship that the chapter has with PESC while he was in Sacramento with some of the other chapters. He mentioned that the other chapters were interested in hearing what PESC can do for their chapters. He also wouldn't be surprised if PESC was asked to do a presentation at Desert Practice or some time in the fall, to the small or unstaffed chapters around the state; there is interest in helping those chapters get more organized and stream-lined.

#### **9. General Comments**

Theo Bluhm, AIA, brought up AIA National Convention in Los Angeles from June 8<sup>th</sup> through June 10<sup>th</sup>. As of today, Theo, David Phillips, AIA, and Rod Andreasen, AIA will be going to the convention.

#### **10. Continuing Education:**

Mark Harold, AIA, reported that the Learning Lunch that was scheduled for today went according to plans with Dave Willis and everyone that attending the luncheon received CE credit. Theo Bluhm, AIA, mentioned that he wants to make sure that Georgellen Bateman can file for the Board Meeting or CE classes if the speaker doesn't have ready access, with National, to be sure that the members get the credits that they are due. According to Mark, all that is entailed for the Board Members to get CE credits for a Board Meeting is to have an Agenda, Board Minutes, and a Sign-in Sheet.

**11. Sand Event:**

Theo Bluhm, AIA, mentioned that he spoke with Skip Carlstrom, AIA, about the Sand Event and it was decided that it should be a committee event and not just a one-person event. Paul Stommel, AIA, and Jason Harris have both volunteered to help. Theo confirmed with Georgellen Bateman that the Sand Competition is going to be on Saturday, 30 September 2006 and possibly Friday, 6 October 2006, in the evening for Sand Party/Summer Party. The Sand Party/Summer Party will be at Tenaya Park. Next year the event will be out at River Park and Summer Party will possibly be at Storyland. It was also discussed that part of the judging for the Sand Competition, this year, will be how the tents are decorated, such as with banners.

**12. With nothing further to discuss the meeting adjourned at 8:06p.m.**