WESTERN CENTRAL CHAPTER- APA Meeting Minutes July 21, 2010 Conference call

President Getchius called the meeting to order with the following members present: Getchius, Putnam, McClenehan, Epple, Miller, Bollman, Bristor, Garnett, Absent: Mingo & Vogt

Minutes of April 7, 2010 Meeting: Motion by Garnett, seconded Epple to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. All members present voting aye, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Bollman provided a report of revenue and expenditures. The report was accepted by the board.

President's Report: Getchius reported she is working on the Chapter strategic plan. Putnam has drafted a Young Planners Initiative. This will be posted on the website and distributed to the membership. Garnett and Epple provided a report on the APA Blue Ribbon Committee that is examining various aspects of the operation of APA and relationships to the Chapters. The board discussed a travel reimbursement for officers. The board adopted a policy.

State Reports:

WY Planning Association will be holding their state conference October 6 thru 8, 2010 at Jackson, Wyoming.

SD Planning Association will be holding their state conference October 27 & 28, 2010 at Pierre, South Dakota. Dwight Merriam FAICP will be the featured speaker. Putnam also shared the SD Supreme Court ruled on a 'takings' case involving the application of special assessments by the City of Pierre.

MT Planning Association will be holding their state conference September 22-24, 2010 at Missoula, MT.

ND Planning Association will be holding their state conference October 6-8, 2010 at Grand Forks, ND

Professional Development Officer Report:

McClenehan reported 10 people from the WCC passed the AICP exam (6 WY and 4 MT). The national pass rate is 62.5 % the WCC is 83%. She said the AICP advance certifications for transportation and environmental have been delayed by APA. She reminded the board of the APA/AICP requirements in providing CM credits at state. The board discussed permitting the University of Wyoming to access the WCC's CM umbrella for their courses. The board felt this request does not meet the chapter's policy. McClenehan asked for assistance in finding speakers for the upcoming webinar on wind energy. Putnam had some ideas.

Western Planner Liaison: no report

Web/Newsletter Report: Bristor provided background information on a web designer in Montana that is would be interested in designing the chapter's website. The provider submitted an estimate and a scope of work. The board discussed what should be available on the site and the content management. Motion by Garnett, seconded by Putnam to authorized the president to negotiate a one year contract with the understanding the WCC board controls the contents. All members present voting aye, motion carried. Bristor provided a report on the status of the WCC newsletter. Until the website is available she will be communicating with the membership via list serve.

Other Business: The board received an application for a scholarship. The board examined the application. However, the board is requesting a synopsis of the study, resume and coursework. The board approved the \$500 scholarship pending the receipt of the aforementioned items. The board discussed future criteria for the scholarship request.

The board decided the next meeting will September 8, 2010 at 2:30 MST 3:30 CST

Getchius adjourned the meeting.