

Western Central Chapter
Executive Committee Minutes
September 10, 2009 meeting in Spearfish, SD

Members in attendance:

April D. Getchius, AICP, President
Neil Putnam, Vice President
Joanne Garnett, FAICP, Wyoming State Director
Stephen Miller, AICP, North Dakota State Director/Western Planner Representative
Dave Mingo, AICP, South Dakota State Director / Secretary
Pepper McClenahan, AICP, Professional Development Officer
Andy Eppele, AICP, Past President

Attending via phone: Jeff Bollman, AICP, Treasurer

Others in attendance: Ben Orsbon.

Amber Vogt, AICP, WCC Representative to the WP / WP Liaison was in Spearfish but unable to attend the meeting because of conference hosting duties.

Introductions

I. Approval of Minutes.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Eppele and Seconded by Ms. McClenahan to approve the August 19, 2009, meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried.

II. President's Report

Ms. Getchius stated that no progress had been made on the strategic plan as of yet.

She will be attending the CPC leadership meetings on October 3rd and 4th.

She stated that she was disappointed that there had not been any applicants for scholarships.

Ms. Getchius reported that she has been approached to start a young planner's committee. She stated that she would be willing to take on those duties. Mr. Putnam said that we should try to get one representative for the young planner's committee from each state.

All in attendance agreed that the WP Conference was going very well.

III. Treasurer's Report

Mr. Bollman discussed the Chapter's finances.

IV. Professional Development Officer Report

Ms. McClenahan reported that she is looking for instructors for the webinar next August. The topic may be related to energy transmission corridors and / or wild, urban, wilderness interface.

V. State Sections Report

Montana - Mr. Bollman reported that the MAP Conference will be at Red Lodge, September 30th – October 2nd. They have 72 people registered to date. This is great since the target was 75 attendees.

North Dakota – Mr. Miller reported that the current WP Conference replaced North Dakota's annual conference. They were hoping that 20 – 25 people from North Dakota would attend but it appears that the number is more like 14. The North Dakota Planners are conducting commissioner training sessions throughout the state.

South Dakota – Mr. Mingo reported that the primary focus in South Dakota has been the preparation of the WP Conference which is also the South Dakota Planner's Conference this year. Thanks go out to Jayna Watson and Amber Vogt for bringing the event together. Mr. Mingo also reported that the South Dakota Planners had voted to reappoint him to serve on the WCC Executive Committee.

Wyoming – Ms. Garnett reported that WYOPASS has 305 members. The WP Conference is also serving as Wyoming's annual conference. Next fall's Wyoming Conference will be in Jackson. They continue to conduct a spring workshop for planning and zoning board members. Much of Wyoming's membership is made up of planning and zoning board members.

Members discussed issues related to the upcoming FAICP nomination process.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Mingo, AICP
Secretary