



Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (Qld)

General Meeting Minutes
5 March 2008

Opening:

The regular meeting of the AILA QLD Group was called to order at 7:00pm on 5 March 2008 in West End by Andrea Ryan – AILA Qld Secretary.

Present:

Andrea Ryan; Chris Boulton; Mandy Rounsefell; Michael Ryan; Susanne Georgii; Wes Mortensen; Peter Savage; Dennis Corry; John Murray; Kirstie Sheldon; Kate Slade

Apologies:

Penny Hunter; Stephen Palmer; Mark Fuller;

A. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

B. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

C. Open Issues

1. Presidents Report (provided by Chris Boulton)	Action
Resignation of AILA Qld Executive Officer (Donnell Davis) received December 2007.	
New position of AILA Qld State Manager advertised December 2007 with applications received from ten applicants; four short listed for interview. Position has been changed from contract to permanent part time, managed by National Office. And comprises 14 hrs /week, Mon – Tues primarily with supplementary hours as required Wednesday - Monday. Appointment of Lisa Johnston in January 2008.	
Draft Sponsorship Strategy 2008-09 is being finalised with options for supporting local and regional events.	
2008 Calendar of Events was launched at the Christmas Party in 2007 which features local and regional CPD events covering a broad range of topics under four key themes. Info on website & hard copies available at events.	
Thursday 3 April 2008 (Lead) is the next event to be a Breakfast Seminar at Brisbane Exhibition & Convention Centre – refer website for details	All
Thursday 24 July 2008 (Discuss) event – Suggested name change to ‘The Urban Forest’ to be management of urban tree resources in a holistic manner.	Chris Boulton / Penny Hunter
Thursday 23 October 2008 (Discuss) – Topic to be review of a constructed landscape including site inspection. Proposed destination of Rocks Riverside Park pending discussion with Brisbane City Council – City Design. Recommended contact from BCC to be Ian Hunter and Dean Morse.	Chris Boulton / Penny Hunter
Regional Events - Need to explore alternatives for the dissemination of information to members. Suggestion to explore the use of Podcast technology.	Chris Boulton
Landscape Charter & Karl Langer Award – Event was held at the request of National Council to launch the Landscape Charter, and was held at the Gardens Theatre foyer QUT. Event was attended by approximately 60-70 people including students.	
Members and New Associates Dinner – Preparation underway for event to be held again this year. Members requested to provide feedback or suggestions.	All
2. Treasurers Report (provided by Andrea Ryan on behalf of Penny Hunter)	
Balance sheet tabled for noting by members. National office now responsible for the processing of accounts. Need to track profits and losses for accounts on events in particular. The type of event dictates the likelihood of loss, break even or profit. There is an acknowledgement that sometimes events (social) will be subsidised to attract greater participation by members.	

3. National Councilor's Report (provided by Mandy Rounsefell)	
National Council Meetings: Two meetings are held per year, with several conference call meetings in between. Next meeting 13-14 th March 2008 which will be attended by Mandy Rounsefell and Mark Fuller.	
National Environmental Policies: State Group support is required for progressing; environmental group has not been functional for significant time.	
National Project Awards 2008: EOI to be released soon for Jury Panel for national awards. Chris Boulton advised that Katharina Neibler-Walker had agreed to participate as State Jury Chairperson. Wes Mortensen suggested Ken Murray be nominated for consideration.	Mandy Rounsefell / Chris Boulton / Wes Mortensen
4. Regional Group Reports (provided by Andrea Ryan on behalf of Stephen Palmer)	
AILA SUN: Launch in January at Maroochydore with Lawrie Smith AM providing a presentation on the development of World Expo 88 as guest speaker.	
AILA GOLD: Leigh Abernethy has resigned as co-ordinator having moved from the Gold Coast. Gerard McCormack has expressed as likely successor. Gold Coast City Council are continuing their bi-monthly Urban Design Forum lunchtime sessions at Nerang – for information contact Phillip Follent – City Architect.	
AILA FNQ: Chris Boulton and Mandy Rounsefell to attend the first meeting to launch FNQ group 17 April 2008 at Thuringowa. Sponsorship strategy required to assist the promotion of the regional groups.	Chris Boulton / Mandy Rounsefell
AILA RED: Meeting Thurs 6 March. Wes Mortensen and Steve Palmer to meet with John Van Pelt and possibly Lani Roberts.	Wes Mortensen / Stephen Palmer
AILA FRESH: Karl Langer Award event was delivered with the assistance of AILA Fresh – students, young & emerging professionals.	
Regional Landscapes Group: Regular meetings being held with strong focus on scenic amenity issues. This group is coordinated by Catherine Brouwer while Tony Prineas represents AILA at the Regional Landscape and Open Space Committee Meetings.	

D. New Business

Peter Savage advised the Council of Mayors SEQ has been working on a strategy for the management of natural resources for non-urban land. Peter is representing Moreton Bay Regional Council and could also represent AILA	Peter Savage
Wes Mortensen advised the panel of LA's on Local Buy had been finalized. There was poor representation / take-up by LA's in SEQ. Representation to Local Buy to be made to see if it is possible to release the tender again next year to encourage better representation by members. Wes Mortensen to follow up and request presentation at AILA Red meeting	Wes Mortensen
Wes Mortensen advised that Moreton Bay Regional Council would no longer be accepting sub-standard submissions and they would be returned to consultants. Councils should not be used as a checking service for defect inspections and drawing review service.	Note
CPD registration now available on line. Michael Ryan advised CPD is mandatory and members need to be more responsible for managing point collection. Organised events are more about maintenance of awareness and that more effort needs to be placed on quality of learning. Non-scheduled CPD activities need to be logged and assessed by independent assessor.	All
Peter Savage requested clarification if he is required to be the BDP volunteer member as he had not received any feedback since volunteering.	Chris Boulton / Peter Savage
AILA Entry Workshop earmarked for Saturday 29 March 2008. Michael Ryan to facilitate.	Michael Ryan
AILA QLD now has a new contact details: PO Box 7342 EAST BRISBANE QLD 4169. Check web site for other details.	Note

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm by Andrea Ryan. The next general meeting will be held at 5:00pm on 7 May 2008 in South Brisbane.

Minutes submitted by: Chris Boulton

Approved by: Andrea Ryan