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OSLAB Review

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APLD meets with OSLAB

Members of the Oregon Association of Professional Landscape Designers (APLD) met with the Oregon State Landscape Architecture Board (OSLAB) during the February 2006 board meeting. Representing APLD were:

- Darla McGary, President Oregon APLD
- Barbara Hilty, Board Member
- Amy Whitworth, Legislative Advocate for APLD

Previously APLD sought state registration for landscape designers through Oregon's Landscape Contractors Board. Oregon APLD has now determined that their goal is to use outreach to both educate designers about the boundaries of practice and to deal with any disputes against landscape designers.

McGary stated that APLD will act if they observe ethical issues. Members also expressed a desire to work with OSLAB and the Oregon Contractor's Board to resolve issues.

A Pink Slip Indicates Continuing Education Audit

Continuing education requirements are now in effect.

Oregon Administrative Rule 804-0020(2)(a) states: "Beginning with applications for renewal of licenses that expire on July 1, 2006, each landscape architect shall have completed 24 PDH units of acceptable continuing education during the two-

year period immediately preceding each biennial renewal date as a condition for license renewal".

At renewal time each Oregon registered Landscape Architect should be prepared to validate continuing education information, unless the LA has been exempted as listed under OAR 804-025-0010 (1). OSLAB will be auditing approximately 5% of

registrants on an annual basis. Effected registrants will receive a fluorescent pink notice with their annual renewal due reminder. The notice provides instructions for completing the audit including a date due.

Because the continuing education process is new to both the registrants and the Board, it will take

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REGISTRATION ACTIVITIES

The Board welcomes the following new registrants:

By examination and experience:

Allan Johnson	LA#593
Traci Barnett	LA#596
Jennifer Gardner	LA#597
Hillary Dearborn	LA#598
Johathan Beaver	LA#600
Allison K. Rouse	LA#601

By reciprocity:

Mark Tilbe	LA#589
Cynthia Denny	LA#594
John L. Wong	LA#595
Yoshifumi Yano	LA#599
Marlys Underwood	LA#602
R. Joseph Runco	LA#603

OSLAB reinstated the following Landscape Architects' registration following an oral interview at the May 12, 2006 Board meeting:

Mark Ferris	LA#108
David Curtis	LA#407

Emeritus status was granted:

Charles Torrence	LA#097
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Delinquent registrants:

Susan Bergen	LA#384	11/30/2005
Chad S. Herd	LA#523	02/28/2006
Morgan D. Selph	LA#568	02/28/2006
Robert Burnham	LA#570	05/31/2006
Kenneth Loney	LA#487	05/31/2006



Continuing Education Question

Question: "Regarding CEU's, I would like to make sure if I need to get a certification documentation to prove I have completed a lecture/class/presentation."

Answer: Yes, you will need to certify any CEU's. The log form provided by OSLAB is a tracking device. If audited, you will be required to provide supporting documentation.

Business Roster Increases

The following businesses have been added to the Board registration list:

Skate Parkitecture
 Vala-Christensen Landscape Architects
 Land Architects
 D.A.Hogan & Associates, Inc.
 Stemmer Gardens
 Macdonald Environmental Planning, P.C.
 Group Mackenzie Engr. Inc.
 Marianne Zarkin, LA
 Landmark Landscape Architects
 Environmental Landscape Architecture
 GGLO



If you are interested in detailed information about OSLAB meetings, minutes are posted on the web page.

Board Discusses Need for Reserve Fund

OSLAB is discussing the need for a reserve fund for emergencies and contested cases. As a semi-independent state Board, OSLAB is not eligible to “borrow” money from a banking institution nor can the Board request temporary funding through the E-Board of the Legislature for these matters. It is important that semi-independent Boards create their own reserve funds. No fee increases will be imposed in establishing a reserve account.

The public and registrants are encouraged to provide input to the Board regarding this issue. Please make comments via email to oslab@qwest.net or US Mail only.

OSLAB CALENDAR

July 15, 2006	Renewals issued and due back by August 30, 2006
July 31, 2006	Compliance Committee, Salem Oregon
August 4, 2006	OSLAB meeting, Salem, Oregon 8:30 AM
August 15, 2006	Issue renewals due back by September 30, 2006
September 15, 2006	Issue renewals due back by October 31, 2006
November 17, 2006	OSLAB meeting, Salem, Oregon 9:30 A.M



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some time to perfect the auditing procedure. The Board will work closely with registrants that are audited should issues arise.

OAR 804-025-0010(4) outlines the procedure should the Board disallow a continuing education activity. The 120 day window for substantiating continuing education requirements or for completing acceptable PDH coursework is expected to cause little hardship for any registrant.

You may be receiving phone solicitations from companies that provide web coursework for PDH credit. If you are knowledgeable about the Board's PDH requirements, such solicitations should not cause undo panic. Such solicitations might provide you with additional avenues of PDH opportunities.

Currently all OSLAB professional registrants' continuing education credits are being reviewed by a subcommittee. It is hoped that this review will help fine tune auditing procedures.