



American Planning Association
Kansas Chapter

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KS APA Executive Committee conference call minutes, April 30, 2010 at 8:30 am

Attendance -Annie Driver, Chad Bungler, Chris Gorney, Erin Ollig, Lisa Koch, Megan McFarland, Sara Copeland, Steve Zilke, Thomas Dow

Absent -Greg Czapplewski, Nancy Scott

I. New Student Representatives- Megan McFarland (Kansas State) and Chris Gorney (University of Kansas) will now serve on the Executive Committee until April 2011.

II. Professional Development Officer (Sara)- This position is open due to Eldon Miller resigning because of busy work schedule and lack of time to devote to the position. Will announce opening to Chapter and ask people to apply by Friday, May 7- Good opportunity for people interested in running for this position to get their feet wet. Executive Committee will hold brief conference call on May 14 to select a person to serve until October 1 when newly elected person takes office.

III. National APA Business- Leadership Meetings, New Orleans (Sara)

- a. Affiliate's Program- This is an additional step related to the Group Planning Commissioner membership that APA recently approved and will target all elected officials. Affiliates will not actually be APA members, so will not be required to pay any dues. (Group Planning Commissioners are members and only pay a discounted rate.) All Affiliate's membership will be electronic. Chapters have concerns the Planning Commissioners will move to this because of cheaper cost.
- b. MO/KS Chapters working on a best practices manual for Chapter Sections.
- c. Paul Farmer has offered assistance to Chapters on membership related issues.

III. Chapter Elections (Sara): Schedule

- a. October 1- New Officer planned to take office
- b. June 15- July 19 - Nominations period
- c. July 19- Announce nominations to petition period
- d. August 1- Petitions to Chapter Secretary
- e. End of August- Elections.
- f. Nominations Committee selection- Deadline to have this set up by mid-May. Their responsibility is primarily reviewing applications and recruiting people, if need be.

IV. Awards Committee - Need to target people to help on this. Ideas? Bonnie Johnson, Nancy Scott and John Keller did this last year. Great opportunity for people interested in running for office.

V. Conference Planning - 2011 Conference

- a. Received bids from hotels in Topeka and Lawrence. Annie, Erin, Chris, and Thomas will review bids and visit these hotels. Target is to lock in hotel so we can announce location in Manhattan at this year's conference.

V. Conference Planning - 2010 Conference (Chad)

- a. Call for Sessions has been announced (Open until May 19)
- b. The hotel has no more room available, but our block is set aside. Need to encourage people who need rooms to book early. (50 rooms at Holiday Inn and 10 rooms at the Clarion)
- c. Don Elliot (Wrote *A Better Way to Zone* is booked as Keynote speaker)- Has only asked for \$200 honorary fee.
- d. APA Leadership speaker- Need ideas. Our responsibility to pay for their hotel room
- e. Two possible mobile tours: All day Flint Hills tour and ½-day Fort Riley tour

V. In-Person meeting- Oread Hotel, Lawrence, Fri, June 18 11:30-1:30

