



American Planning Association
Massachusetts Chapter
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APA-MA Board Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 12, 2007
8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
Four Points Sheraton – Hyannis, MA

DRAFT FOR REVIEW—October 17, 2007

Past and Future Board Members Present: Steve Sadwick, Chris Kluchman, Simon van Leeuwen, Lynn Duncan, Bob Mitchell, Mark Rousseau, Paul Materazzo, Tony Fields, Mary McCrann, Sean Bender, Jef Fasser, Glenn Garber, Kathy Joubert, Peter Lowitt, Sabine Prather, Steve Sadwick, Heidi Samokar, Felipe Schwarz

Guests: Graham Billingsley and Anna Breinich

Board Consultants: Austin Lauria

The October 12, 2007 meeting was held as a breakfast meeting at the 2007 SNEAPA Conference. In addition to past and future board members being present, other fellow colleagues were present.

Welcome and Introductions

Mr. Lowitt welcomed all attendees to the breakfast chapter meeting and reminded everyone to view the new Massachusetts Chapter website, www.massapa.org. The agenda was amended to add a discussion about advertising on the website and new electronic newsletter format. Mr. Lowitt also thanked the previous board members for their service and acknowledged the new board members. He then introduced guests Mr. Billingsley and Ms. Breinich.

Mr. Billingsley (President of AICP) stated that the CM online credit reporting system would be rolled out on October 25, 2007. He also commented that national is working hard to market AICP credentials outside of the planning profession and to offer a specialized certification program with a more rigorous exam in the future.

Mr. Lowitt introduced the new Massachusetts Chapter President, Steve Sadwick.

The Board moved and seconded to accept the 2007 Annual Report (Duncan/Bender). Ms. Kluchman noted that there is a profit/loss comparison addendum provided with the annual report.

Zoning Reform Working Group and CPA II

Mr. Sadwick gave the Chapter a general update and stated that Bob Durand was hired as the Zoning Reform Working Group's legislative advocate.

Announcement of Events

Mr. Lowitt stated that the MA APA Chapter was asked to be a co-sponsor of the LEED Pilot project workshop in Boston. The workshop may be registered for CM credits. The Board moved and voted to sponsor the LEED Pilot project workshop in Boston (Lowitt/Buck).

Ms. Breinich entered the meeting and introduced herself as the AICP Region I Commissioner.

Mr. Mitchell stated that the Smart Growth Conference would be held on December 7, 2007 at the DCU Center in Worcester, MA. Mr. Sadwick noted that the chapter was a sponsor at the 2006 conference, and that there will be an effort made to have most of the sessions be eligible for CM credit.

Mr. Fasser noted that there would be a Massachusetts Economic Development Council meeting on October 18, 2007 regarding tax credits and incentives.

Mr. Schwarz stated that there will be a free Smart Growth symposium event on October 18, 2007 at UMass Lowell.

Ms. Prather stated that there would also be a Smart Growth symposium event on November 8, 2007 in Northampton, MA.

Mr. Willmer noted that the CPTC full program was up and available on the CPTC website, and there is a host of programs available for Planning Board members.

Mr. Sadwick stated that the MAPD/APA Holiday Party/Luncheon would be held on December 14, 2007, location to be determined.

Approval of August 8, 2007 Meeting Minutes

The Board moved and seconded (Lowitt / Kluchman) to approved the minutes of the August 8, 2007 meeting. So voted.

Next Meeting Planning

The next Board meeting was not determined. Location and time to be confirmed.