### Western Council of Architectural Registration Boards

**MINUTES** 

MARCH 13, 2015

8AM-10AM AND 12:30PM - 5:00 PM.

LONG BEACH HILTON, LONG BEACH

MEETING CONVENED BY	Chair Jim Oschwald
TYPE OF MEETING	Annual Regional Meeting – Friday, March 13,, 2015
ATTENDEES TO ESTABLISH QUORUM (SEE APPENDIX FOR LIST OF ATTENDEES)	Alaska_x_ Arizona_x_ California_x_ Colorado_x_ Guam_x_ Hawaii_x_ Idaho_x_ Nevada_x_ New Mexico_x_ Oregon_x_ Utah_x_ Washington_x_ Quorum Established_x_
INTRODUCTIONS	Chair Oschwald asked everyone attending the meeting to introduce themselves and identify their jurisdiction. Introductions were made. There were eight new members in attendance: Autumn Dryden, board staff from Washington; Barry Williams, MBM, from California; Mary Morrissette, MBM, from Colorado; Ginger Hahn, board staff from Nevada; Dick Alexander, MBM from Oregon; Ebony Lewis, MBM from California; Tian Feng, MBM from California and Marccus Reinhardt, board staff from California. The new and returning members were warmly welcomed.
APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA	Motion Made By: Bob Calvani Second: Jay Cone Vote: Passed
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Motion to Approve Minutes from the June 2014 Meeting in Philadelphia By: Jon Baker Second: Bob Calvani Vote: Passed  Amendments: There were two amendments that needed to be made from the June 2014 minutes attendee roster: Idaho: Change Brian Turner to Steven Turney; and add Dan Mullin.

# Agenda topics for Friday, March 13, 2015 DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED NCARB RESOLUTIONS

-DISCUSSION

WCARB Regional Chair Jim Oschwald led the membership through the proposed NCARB Resolutions and asked for member comments:

- Resolution 2015-A: This proposed resolution deals with changes to the Broadly Experienced Architect (BEA) program titled: Revisions of the Alternative to the Education Requirement for Certification. This proposal basically does away with the current BEA program in favor of new requirements which include: Applicant must have at least two years of licensed practice in any US jurisdiction; and documentation of work experience gained on a pre-licensure and/or post-licensure basis. All experience must be verified in accordance with the requirements of the Intern Development Program or by any NCARB certified architect:
  - Applicants with a pre-professional degree in architecture awarded by a US regionally accredited institution or the Canadian equivalent must document tow time (2X) the experience requirement of the Intern Development Program. [7,480 core hours]
  - Applicants with any other baccalaureate or higher degree must document three times (3X) the experience requirement of the Intern Development Program. [11,220 core hours].

Jon Baker, California, remarked that the proposed changes to not provide a path for non-degreed registered architects and that bothers him because he is a successful architect without a degree and feels that this proposal as it is currently presented improperly disenfranchises other registered architects in his same situation; of which there are many. Not providing a path for non-degreed professionals is like throwing the baby out with the bath water. Calvani responded that the Board of

Directors, while discussing this change to the Education Requirement, opted to exclude those applicants with only a high school degree in favor of formal education, specifically those with architectural degrees. Baker said that is not what was discussed when this proposal was originally gaining traction; also, there should be a path for those with community college degrees, and not just for those with baccalaureate degrees. Doug McCauley stated that NCARB was created to facilitate reciprocity and this proposal does away with that because 55-60% of the architectural community does not have college degrees. Pasqual Gutierrez, California, said that the architectural profession was around long before there were colleges of architecture and architecture degrees. Another valid point raised is that 7 of the 17 states that allow alternate paths to licensure are in Region 6.

• **Resolution 2015-B**: This proposed resolution deals with changes to the Broadly Experienced Foreign Architects program. Again, NCARB wants to eliminate the costly and burdensome dossier application process. The primary changes to this requirement will now require the foreign architect to document IDP and take the ARE in order to obtain an NCARB certificate.

There was no major opposition to the proposal voiced by the membership.

Resolution 2015-C:: This proposed resolution changes makes modifications to the Qualifications
of the Public Director on the Council Board of Directors by changing the requirements that a public
member come from outside the organization to opening it up to the public members that sit on
member board jurisdictions. Many member board jurisdictions have public members and this bylaw
change will allow them to invest more in the organization by giving them a seat at the Council Board
of Directors table.

There was general support within the membership for this proposed bylaw change.

# DISCUSSION REGARDING NCARB'S PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE IDP, BEA AND BEFA PROGRAMS

DISCUSSION

Regional Chair Jim Oschwald asked if anyone wanted to further discuss the recent BOD vote on the IDP streamline, or the proposed BEA and BEFA changes before the regional meeting adjourned to attend the joint plenary session:

There was a general discussion on the topics. No consensus was reached regarding taking a formal position as a Region. It was determined that the Region would hear from NCARB Leadership during the Regional Summit and revisit the topic during the Saturday Regional Meeting.

The Region took a straw poll asking for each jurisdiction's position on the following programs:

IDP Streamline: All jurisdictions in favor of the change to the program except Oregon and Washington. BEA proposal: All jurisdictions in favor of the general concept except California, Nevada and Washington. BEFA proposal: All jurisdictions in favor of the general concept except Nevada.

Jim Oschwald, Regional Chair, adjourned the WCARB Region 6 meeting at 10:30 a.m. so that the membership could attend the Joint Plenary Session of all Regions. The WCARB Region 6 meeting will reconvene at 12:30 p.m. to have a working lunch and continue to work through the day's agenda items.

12:30 P.M. CHAIR OSCHWALD RECONVENED WCARB REGION 6 MEETING

**DISCUSSION** 

Regional Director Bob Calvani gave WCARB Region 6 the following report:

- Proposed BEA amendment: (Alternatives to the Education Requirements for Certification). Calvani
  told the membership that the BOD had discussed the importance to maintain NCARB as the
  Validator. It is understood by the BOD that some boards' response to the proposal may be driven by
  legislation. NCARB Leadership understands the value of the NAAB degree and has no intention to
  devalue it. He said that of the 17 US jurisdictions that allow an alternate route to licensure (no
  degree, or high school only), seven of them do not require a NAAB degree at all.
  - If a registered architect applicant has a 4 year pre-professional degree in Architecture, such as a Bachelor of Arts in Architecture, he or she must meet a member board's education and experience requirements for initial licensing; pass the ARE, have obtained licensure in a US jurisdiction with a minimum of two years of post-licensing experience. Applicants must also obtain 2X IDP requirements. Applicants will be permitted to document experience on a pre-licensure or post licensure basis.
  - For registered architect applicants that have a baccalaureate degree unrelated to architecture, they must also meet a member board's education and experience requirements for initial licensing; pass the ARE, have obtained licensure in a US jurisdiction with a minimum of two years of post-licensing experience. Applicants must also obtain 3X IDP requirements. Applicants will be permitted to document experience on a pre-licensure or post licensure basis.
  - Under the current proposal, registered architect applicants that have only a high school degree or a two year degree from a two year community college will not meet the application requirements.
- Proposed BEFA Amendment: (Requirements for Certification of Foreign Architects). Calvani explained that the amendment would have an education requirement of a professional degree in architecture from an accredited/validated/officially recognized architecture program (EESA evaluation may be required when there is doubt about the nature of the professional degree.
  - Only applicants that apply from a foreign country that has a formal recordkeeping and disciplinary process in place will be considered
  - Must document IDP and take and pass the ARE.
- Another program initiative that NCARB is exploring is an Alternate Path to Licensure. The program,
  which will be administered by Universities and Academies, will integrate education, experience and
  examination into the educational program curriculum, which will result in Licensure Upon Graduation.
  This program is obviously dependent on jurisdictions getting on board and accepting this Alternate
  as a viable option for licensure in their jurisdiction or state.
- The BOD has a task force working on coming up with ideas on what to call interns. There is a big push from AIAS for jurisdictions to call interns something other than interns, especially those that work in the field of architecture but do not desire to ever become licensed. Things the task force are considering include the different stages of an architectural career:
  - Graduation with Degree
  - Establish NCARB Record
  - Completion of IDP; and
  - Completion of the ARE

Some of the names of interns that can currently be found within different jurisdictions statutes include, A.I.T. (Architect in Training); Apprenticeship-Training Program, Internship, Architectural Intern and Intern Architect.

- Calvani reported that work has begun on the IDP Overhaul, which will take the 17 existing IDP categories and align them into six different "buckets:"
  - Practice Management
  - Project Management
  - Programming & Analysis
  - Project Planning & Design
  - Project Development & Documentation; and
  - Construction & Evaluation

- Current NCARB Politics: Calvani explained for the benefit of the new members and anyone else that wasn't quite sure who was running for what NCARB position the current dynamics: Dennis Ward as the 1<sup>st</sup> VP President Elect will ascend to the President, Margo Jones, current 2<sup>nd</sup> VP is running for 1<sup>st</sup> VP, as is Kristine Harding, currently servicing as the Treasurer. Greg Erny, current Secretary of the BOD will run for the position of 2<sup>nd</sup> VP and Anne Smith (Reg. 3) and Terry Allers (Reg. 4), current regional directors are competing for the position of Secretary. The rest of the NCARB BOD consists of the regional directors: Doug Prengeman (Reg 1), Sue McClymonds (Reg 2), Dave Hoffman (Reg. 5), Bob Calvani (Reg. 6), Kingsley Glasglow (MBE) and John Cameron (Public Director), who will no longer be eligible to serve out additional terms if the Resolution authorizing Public Member Board Members to sit on the NCARB BOD.
- Calvani spoke about the NCARB and how the BOD is exploring ways to make it more valuable to certificate holders, such as giving free or discounted mini monographs.
- NCARB is currently working with the Council for Architectural Education, along with the Central Board
  and ACSA to further the educational components for the ever evolving practice of architecture. He
  mentioned that there is a new entity called the American Board of Architecture that has recently
  emerged and claims to provide applicants and graduates an "alternate" path to architectural
  registration. The NCARB Board is keeping its eyes on any developments on that front.
- Calvani told the membership that there would be an Annual Member Board Survey coming out which will ask questions such as, how is:
  - NCARB service to you and your customers
  - Meeting quality
  - Volunteer experience
  - Information on changes
  - Additional challenges or services
  - Legislative assistance (should your jurisdiction need it)
  - Support to boards, jurisdictions, architects and candidates

Calvani asked each member board jurisdiction to complete the survey when received so that NCARB can continue to work on its processes and improve performance and customer satisfaction.

Closing out his report, Calvani thanks WCARB Region 6 for its support and asked that he continue to get their support and vote to serve another term as the Regional Director for WCARB Region 6.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE/CHAIR'S REPORT

#### JIM OSCHWALD

DISCUSSION

Chair Jim Oschwald gave the following Executive Committee/Chair's Report to the member

#### boards:

- Oschwald explained that since Region 6 would be hosting the 2015 Regional Summit, he and the Executive Committee decided to make a video of architecture projects from all of the Western states to showcase during the Summit and to later imbed into the newly revamped WCARB website, which will be a priority in 2015-16. Ed Marley, ExCom member from Arizona undertook this huge assignment with a smile and "can do" attitude and, along with his son and daughter's excellent technology skills, created the WCARB video. (Oschwald then ran the video for the membership). Ed Marley was given a standing ovation for his outstanding contribution to the Region.
- Oschwald then talked about the work of the Education Committee. He explained that there were some major challenges to find some quality educational opportunities – education that not only would be interesting to the membership, but also fell within the regulatory arena. The Education Committee ultimately decided to have some Planners come in from the Long Beach Planning Department so that members could learn more about the infrastructure, future growth plans, sustainability, economic drivers and other topics of interest about the host city.
- Oschwald reported that Hans Hoffman was placed in charge of the WCARB Lauditories and will be reporting on them during tomorrow's regional meeting.
- Oschwald told the membership that he would love to spend time devoted to brainstorming with the region and the Executive Committee to develop a WCARB "brand."

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

JON BAKER

DISCUSSION

Jon Baker gave the WCARB Region 6 financial report:

Baker shared some financial slides with the membership that showed the revenue and expense stream from 2009 until 2015. Results were that revenue and expenses have been flat for the past six years, with the exception of 2012, when Region 6 hosted Region 3 in Seattle, Washington.

Other slides showed the current dues charged and reserves maintained by each of the regions:

- Region 1: Dues: \$5,500/year Reserves: \$100,000
- Region 2: Dues: \$5,200/year Reserves: \$130,000
- Region 3: Dues: \$3,600/year Reserves: \$90,090
- Region 4: Dues: \$4,500/year Reserves: \$99,000
- Region 5: Dues: \$1,200/year Reserves: \$17,000
- Region 6: Dues: \$4,000/year Reserves: \$99,026

A general discussion ensued regarding whether the reserve amount being held by WCARB is appropriate. A couple of members felt that it was not appropriate to have so much money in reserves, but the majority of the membership felt that it was appropriate, especially when compared to sister regions.

Arizona asked that the WCARB Executive Committee develop a white paper outlining the benefits of belonging to the Region and to NCARB. Jim Oschwald said that the Executive Committee, together with membership, would be pleased to develop a white paper or justification paper for jurisdictions to use when they get pushback from their legislators regarding paying regional dues. Currently, the NCARB Bylaws require a jurisdiction to belong to its geographical region in order to be a member of NCARB.

Oschwald took a straw poll vote asking the question of which jurisdictions would be in favor of eliminating regional dues. Only Arizona was in favor of eliminating regional dues. The other jurisdictions in Region 6 were opposed to eliminating regional dues (which would eliminate the region).

Regarding the Region's current financial position:

- The 2014-2015 budget previously approved by the membership in June 2014 for the fiscal period of October 1, 2014 September 30, 2015 was provided for review and information purposes. Also provided was a copy of last year's budget for comparison and information purposes. A copy of the 2014-2015 budget has been appended to this document as Appendix "B."
- The Balance Sheet through February 28, 2015 was provided in the agenda packet for the membership. This statement is appended to the end of this document as Appendix "C." The Profit and Loss statement for October 1, 2014 through February 28, 2015 was also provided and is appended to this document as Appendix "D." The Profit and Loss statement for the previous fiscal year of October 2013 through September 30, 2014 was provided and is appended to this document as Appendix "E."
- As of February 28, 2015, total assets from both the checking and savings account total \$178,385.10. The region is in good financial shape.

## DISCUSSION WHETHER REGION 6 SHOULD AMEND ITS DUES STRUCTURE

**DISCUSSION** 

Jon Baker led the discussion regarding whether Region 6 should amend its dues structure:

- Idaho suggested that the Region consider lowering its dues by \$500 per year.
- Arizona reiterated that it would like to see the dues amount lowered or eliminated.
- A lively discussion ensued regarding the value of the Region and whether the dues being charged by the Region were too high. Many members said they felt keeping the Region was essential; the smaller group (rather than all of NCARB members) helps to facilitate exactly these types of conversations. Also, there are many issues of mutual concern that are regional in nature, and not necessarily nationwide. Utah asked why the region was even having the conversation. If the dues

- were spread out amongst all the registered architects in Region 6, the cost would be slightly over \$1 per person.
- A straw poll was held asking if the membership dues should be reduced. None of the jurisdictions present voted to reduce the base membership dues of \$4,000 per year. However, there was significant interest in the Region developing a white paper/justification paper to assist the member boards with legislators and financial folks in state government whenever there are questions about regional dues.
- A discussion was held regarding the current language in the WCARB Rules which do not allow unused travel funds to be carried over from year to year. Guam requested that the Region amend its Rules to allow carryovers of unused travel funds from year to year.
- Washington suggested that the Executive Committee explore options for certificates of deposit to maximize the reserves in the savings account.

#### **STATE REPORTS**

DISCUSSION

Chair Oschwald asked the membership to share their state reports with the Region:

- **Alaska** Has a new registration requirement to put the corporate authorization number on the registrants' stamp.
- **Arizona** Trying very hard to work with the Legislature to get the drug labs and alarms removed from their oversight.
- California Is dealing with Sunset review. Also recently met with the Adroit School of Architecture (affiliated with the American School of Architecture). McCauley gave a brief synopsis of their Board's meeting with Adroit, and concluded that their premise is well intended but they have a lot of issues to resolve before they will get any real attention from any jurisdiction. Their tagline is LUG Licensure Upon Graduation. They have asked California to endorse their exam that no one has ever seen.
- **Colorado** No additional report other than the one already submitted.
- **Guam** Is working on regulations to get into line with NCARB regarding IDP. Guam cannot support the BEFA program changes however.
- Hawaii Is also working on changing their rules to get into line with NCARB regarding IDP.
- **Idaho** Had two bills in the Legislature: one to allow the board to recoup attorney fees on disciplinary actions and the other to lower renewal fees. Both bills were passed by the Legislature.
- **Nevada** Recently revamped the entire examination item bank for the Residential Design Exam. Recently implemented online renewals. Is providing a semi-annual CEU Event where Nevada registrants (from all three regulated professions) can get their required continuing education to renew their license for a nominal fee to cover the cost of the lunch provided.
- **New Mexico** Is working on housekeeping changes to their statutes and also working on outreach and promoting NCARB.
- **Oregon** Is keeping the original IDP.
- **Utah** For the past 10 years the Board has been funding IDP for students. There was an interior design bill introduced in the Legislature that did not pass.
- **Washington** Is celebrating its 96<sup>th</sup> year in existence. Working on a Guidelines for Building Officials manual/book. Talked about visiting the schools of architecture and remarked how little they actually knew about the practice of architecture. Washington is happy to be the host state for the 2016 NCARB Annual Business meeting.

## DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED WCARB BYLAW AMENDMENT

DISCUSSION

Chair Oschwald explained that the proposed amendment was in reaction to last year's NCARB Resolution that placed certain qualifications on Regional Directors. He opened up the floor for questions and/or comments:

Proposed WCARB Bylaw Amendment for Article IX Western Region Regional Director:

An amendment was proposed to delete the words "in every case" in section A(iv).

Motion was made to approve the proposed language with the amendment by Ed Marley. Seconded by Hans Hoffman. Vote: Passed

#### **ELECTION NOMINATIONS/SPEECHES**

DISCUSSION

Chair Oschwald opened nominations for the Regional Director and Executive Committee:

#### Regional Director:

Jon Baker nominated <u>Bob Calvani</u> as the WCARB Region 6 Regional Director, seconded by Pat Bickler. No other nominations for Regional Director were brought forward. Nominations for Regional Director were closed.

#### Executive Committee: (2 open positions)

Liza Provido nominated <u>Jay Cone</u> to serve on the Executive Committee, seconded by Bob Calvani. Steve Turney nominated <u>Ed Marley</u> to serve on the Executive Committee, seconded by Mark McKechnie. No additional nominations for the Executive Committee were brought forward. Nominations for the Executive Committee were closed.

All candidates gave a brief speech explaining why they wished to continue serving WCARB Region 6 as a member of the Executive Committee.

Elections will be conducted at the end of the day.

## DISCUSSION REGARDING FUTURE REGION 6 MEETING LOCATIONS

**DISCUSSION** 

Chair Oshwald reported that the Regional Leadership Committee is seeking locations for future meetings and asked the membership for some ideas to share with the RLC:

- Somewhere where they have a school of architecture
- Honolulu, HI
- Napa, CA
- Park City, UT
- Bend, OR
- Portland, OR
- Albuquerque, NM
- Tucson, AZ
- · Palm Springs, CA
- · Reno, NV

#### **LEADERSHIP STRATEGIES**

**DISCUSSION** 

Chair Oschwald explained that this will be a standing agenda item so that the membership can continue to brainstorm leadership strategies:

- Jim: Need to keep developing leaders in the Region so that they can move up the NCARB Leadership ladder and continue to influence the future practice of architecture.
- Hans: Contested elections are good. Shows that there is interest within the Region for future leaders.
- Melissa: Perhaps consider shorten terms to get more participation.
- Bob C: One year is not enough to be effective.

- Volunteer for WCARB and NCARB Committees.
- WCARB leadership can help get Region 6 folks on NCARB committees. Just ask.
- Jon: Suggest we solicit committee volunteers a couple times a year and get a working list of potential volunteers for committee or other work.
- Ed: Develop a list of who within the Region are already on committees and start a recruiting effort for those members that are not yet engaged in the WCARB and NCARB organization.
- Joyce: Can we develop a webinar (continuously updated as needed) for new board members?
- Greg: Region 6 has the most NCARB committee volunteers.
- Linda: Interested in moving to top with public member position. Would like to see more opportunities for public members to interact with the NCARB organization.
- Ask NCARB to reword committee explanations so that more public members can participate.
- Ask NCARB to make committee ribbons for recognition and to advertise and solicit more participation.

#### **ELECTIONS**

**DISCUSSION** 

The Election Committee conducted the Elections and reported that:

- Regional Director: By majority vote, Bob Calvani was elected to serve as the Director of Region 6.
- **Executive Committee**: By majority vote, Ed Marley and Jay Cone were elected to fill the upcoming vacancies on the Executive Committee.
- **Executive Committee Chair**: By majority vote, Jim Oschwald was elected to serve as the Chair of the Executive Committee.
- **Executive Committee Vice Chair**: By majority vote, Jon Baker was elected to serve as the Vice Chair of the Executive Committee.
- **Executive Committee Secretary/Treasurer**: By majority vote, Ed Marley was elected to serve as the Secretary/Treasurer of the Executive Committee.

### ADJOURN UNTIL SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2015

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:40 PM

Chair Jim Oschwald adjourned the WCARB Region 6 meeting until Saturday, March 14, 2015 at 8:00 a.m.

### Western Council of Architectural Registration Boards

**MINUTES** 

MARCH 14, 2015

8:00 AM

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# Agenda topics for Saturday, March 14, 2015 WCARB LAUDATORIES

-DISCUSSION

Hans Hoffman read the following laudatories into the record:

#### Laudatory for John Alejandro Sr. from the New Mexico Board:

Whereas architect John Alejandro Sr. of Santa Fe, New Mexico was a member of the New Mexico Board of Examiners for Architects for six years, serving as chairman for two years, passed away July 11, 2014.

Whereas Mr. Alejandro provided many years of thoughtful dedication while serving in various capacities with the New Mexico Board and serving nationally on an NCARB subcommittee reviewing and studying portions of the Architect Registration Examination.

It is therefore resolved that we express our sincere, heartfelt appreciation for the generous gift of his time, talents and insights which benefitted the public, the architectural community and his fellow New Mexico Board members. John's leadership and friendship will be deeply missed.

Now, we all agree that John Alejandro Sr., should be recognized and this resolution shall be passed unanimously with a standing ovation by this assembled body.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 2015 and read into the record at the Region 6 meeting at the WCARB Regional Summit in Long Beach, California.

#### Laudatory for Craig Murayama from the Hawaii Board:

Whereas architect Craig Murayama from Honolulu, Hawaii was a member of the Hawaii Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects since May 9, 2013, passed away January 24, 2015.

Whereas Mr. Murayama had over 31 years of professional experience including his position of Director of KYA Design Group, volunteered many years of service on an NCARB Architect Registration Examination subcommittee, and volunteered his time for his community on various design and review boards.

It is therefore resolved that we express our sincere, heartfelt appreciation for the generous gift of his time, talents and insights which benefitted the public, the architectural community and his fellow Hawaii board members.

Now, we all agree that Craig Murayama, should be recognized and this resolution shall be passed unanimously with a standing ovation by this assembled body.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 2015 and read into the record at the Region 6 meeting at the WCARB Regional Summit in Long Beach, California.

#### **Laudatory for Blaine Weber from Washington:**

Whereas architect Blaine Weber of Seattle, Washington was a member of the Washington State Board of Architects, serving for nine years, being appointed by two consecutive Governors,

Whereas Mr. Weber provided many years of thoughtful dedication while serving in various capacities with various local board and committees, and was selected by Seattle Magazine as "One of 18 City Shapers, key players that are creating a new Emerald City."

It is therefore resolved that we express our sincere, heartfelt appreciation for the generous gift of his time, talents and insights which benefitted the public, the architectural community and his fellow Washington board members. Blaine has created many very special and lasting friendships both regionally and nationally.

Now, we all agree that Blaine Weber, should be recognized and this resolution shall be passed unanimously with a standing ovation by this assembled body.

Dated this  $14^{th}$  day of March 2015 and read into the record at the Region 6 meeting at the WCARB Regional Summit in Long Beach, California.

#### **VISITING TEAM/CANDIDATE VISITS**

DISCUSSION

The NCARB leadership visiting team, consisting of Dale McKinney, NCARB President, Dennis Ward, 1<sup>st</sup> VP President Elect and Mike Armstrong, NCARB CEO visited WCARB Region 6 to answer any questions of the members.

McCauley asked if there was any news about the new merger between National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) and the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ASCA). McKinney gave an overview of the dynamics of this merger. The NCARB BOD discussed this matter at length and ultimately did not support the merger. However, since it going to occur regardless and NCARB, who contributes significant funds to both organizations, shared its concerns regarding the merger with both groups and requested that they work together to address the many outstanding issues that remain with regard to the merger.

Candidates for office in the contested elections visited WCARB Region 6 to speak with the membership and answer any questions. Candidates that visited were: Margo Jones and Kristine Harding, candidates for President Elect 1<sup>st</sup> VP and Anne Smith and Terry Allers, candidates for Secretary of NCARB.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**DISCUSSION** 

Chair Oschwald asked the membership if anyone wished to discussed any unfinished business:

Baker expressed concerns about the new BEA proposal, which no longer allows a path for candidates in the 12 jurisdictions that allow a person to qualify for the ARE with a high school degree. The current direction of the resolution can no longer be supported by California. Baker stated that we can produce quality architects with experience only, but not with education only. Many members in the room concurred. A discussion was held regarding the possibility to see whether NCARB would be willing to entertain a grandfathering period on the implementation of this proposal.

A straw poll was held to see where the majority of the WCARB jurisdictions positions were with the current NCARB resolutions:

BEA: NO as written (majority)
BEFA: YES as written (majority)

Public Member: Yes as written (majority)

#### **NEW/OLD BUSINESS**

DISCUSSION

Jim Oschwald asked if there was any old or new business:

No old business was discussed. New business will be the development of a position paper regarding the value of the regions and regional dues. This paper will be developed and presented to the WCARB community at the next annual meeting in March 2015.

#### EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION: LONG BEACH PLANNING DEPARTMENT ANGELA REYNOLDS & IRA BROWN

**DISCUSSION** 

Jim Oschwald introduced Angela Reynolds, Deputy Director of Long Beach Development Services Department and Ira Brown, Planner for the City of Long Beach, who attended to provide an hour long continuing education opportunity for WCARB attendees by discussing

What's happening from a planning perspective with the City of Long Beach. Some of the topics discussed included mobility planning and the future of the City. Also discussed was long range planning, what the economic drivers for the City are as well as general plan updates. A question and answer session was provided after the presentation.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:30 PM

On a motion approved by unanimous acclaim Chair Jim Oschwald declared this meeting of WCARB adjourned until June 2015.

#### Appendix A:

Region 6 Attendees: March 13, 2015

#### **ALASKA**

Richard Rearick Vernon Jones

#### **ARIZONA**

Ed Marley LeRoy Brady Melissa Cornelius

#### **CALIFORNIA**

Jon Baker Pasqual Gutierrez Barry Williams Sylvia Kwan Doug McCauley

#### **COLORADO**

Mary Morissette Joyce Young

#### **GUAM**

Liza Provido Mark Ruth Ray Borja

#### **HAWAII**

Bert Yumol Jimmy Kobashigawa

#### **IDAHO**

Jay Cone
Garth Jensen
Pete Anderson
Daniel Mullin
Steven Turney
Peter Rockwell

#### **NEVADA**

Greg Erny William Snyder John Klai Jim Mickey George Garlock Gina Spaulding (Region 6 Exec) Ginger Hahn

#### **NEW MEXICO**

Bob Calvani Jim Oschwald Tara Rothwell-Clark Michael Bodelson

#### **OREGON**

Patrick Bickler
Doug Sams
James Robertson
Kristin Wells
Dick Alexander
Susan Steward
Mark McKechnie
Maria Brown

#### **UTAH**

Hans Hoffman Terrance White Greta Anderson

#### WASHINGTON

Roch Manley Linda Szymarek Scott Harm Rick Storvick Autumn Dryden

#### **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

None

#### Appendix A:

Region 6 Attendees: March 14, 2015

#### **ALASKA**

Richard Rearick Vernon Jones

#### **ARIZONA**

Ed Marley LeRoy Brady

#### **CALIFORNIA**

Jon Baker
Barry Williams
Ebony Lewis
Tian Feng
Doug McCauley
Marccus Reinhardt

#### **COLORADO**

Mary Morissette Joyce Young

#### **GUAM**

Liza Provido Mark Ruth Ray Borja

#### **HAWAII**

Bert Yumol Jimmy Kobashigawa

#### **IDAHO**

Jay Cone
Garth Jensen
Pete Anderson
Daniel Mullin
Steven Turney
Peter Rockwell

#### **NEVADA**

Greg Erny William Snyder John Klai Jim Mickey George Garlock Gina Spaulding (Region 6 Exec) Ginger Hahn

#### **NEW MEXICO**

Bob Calvani Jim Oschwald Tara Rothwell-Clark Michael Bodelson

#### **OREGON**

Patrick Bickler
Doug Sams
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