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## 2012 BCSLA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Saturday, April 14, 2012



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AGM – 2:30 PM Pinnacle Ballroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Pinnacle Hotel at the Pier 138 Victory Ship Way, North Vancouver, BC

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## British Columbia LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

## BRITISH COLUMBIA SOCIETY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS (the "Society")

#### NOTICE OF THE 2012 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

TAKE NOTICE THAT THE 2012 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Society will be held at the Pinnacle Ballroom, Pinnacle Hotel at the Pier, 138 Victory Ship Way, North Vancouver, BC, on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>April 14, 2012 at 2:30 pm</u> for the following purposes:

1. To receive and approve the following:

a) Financial statements of the Society for 2011 andb) Reports of the Directors and Committees to the Members for 2011

- 2. To appoint auditors/accountants for the ensuing year.
- 3. To elect directors and officers to hold office until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Society.
- 4. Other business, as required.

DATED AT Vancouver, British Columbia, this 13th day of March, 2012

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

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Teri Cantin, President

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#### 2012 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

Saturday, April 14, 2012 – Pinnacle Hotel at the Pier Pinnacle Ballroom, 138 Victory Ship Way, North Vancouver, BC Registration: 2:00 pm – AGM: 2:30 pm

| 1)  | Welcome & Introductions, Teri Cantin/Eli Mina  | 2:30 pm |
|-----|--|---------|
| 2)  | Declaration of Quorum, Tracy Penner  | 2:40 pm |
| 3)  | Approval of the Agenda, Teri Cantin  | 2:45 pm |
| 4)  | Adoption of Draft 2011 AGM Minutes, Teri Cantin  | 2:40 pm |
| 5)  | <ul> <li>Officers Reports* <ul> <li>a) President's Report, Teri Cantin</li> <li>b) Past President's Report, Mark van der Zalm</li> <li>i) Strategic Plan</li> </ul> </li> <li>c) Treasurer's Report, Geoff Gooderham <ul> <li>i) 2011 Audit, Mahmoud Virani</li> <li>ii) Appointment of the Auditors</li> <li>iii) 2012 Budget</li> </ul> </li> <li>d) Registrar's Report, Tracy Penner</li> </ul> | 2:30 pm |
| 6)  | Directors Reports*   | 3:00 pm |
| 7)  | Committee Reports*   | 3:15 pm |
| 8)  | BCSLA Logo, Mike Teed  | 3:30 pm |
| 9)  | Election of Officers and Directors, Kathy Dunster/Tracy Penner<br>a) President Elect<br>b) Treasurer<br>c) Registrar<br>d) Directors<br>i) Two-year term (3)<br>ii) One-year term (2)<br>iii) CSLA Representative (1)  | 3:45 pm |
| 9)  | New Business   | 3:50 pm |
| 10) | Adjournment  | 4:00 pm |

\*Written Reports are included in this package. Please review the reports prior to the meeting as oral reports will be brief due to time constraints. Questions and comments are welcome.

#### BC Society of Landscape Architects 2011 Annual General Meeting Minutes

The British Columbia Society of Landscape Architects 2011 Annual General Meeting was held on May 14, 2011 at the Pinnacle Ballroom, Pinnacle Hotel at the Pier, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 138 Victory Ship Way, North Vancouver, BC at 2:30 pm.

**Executive:** Mark van der Zalm, President, Kathy Dunster, Past President, Teri Cantin, President Elect; Geoff Gooderham, Treasurer; Tracy Penner, Registrar. Tara Culham was Recording Secretary.

**Directors:** Theresa Cherniak, Dylan Chernoff, Gerald Fleming, Allison Good, Pawel Gradowski (CSLA Representative, Amy Tsang and Ray Visser.

Directors (non-voting): Patrick Mooney, UBC Liaison.

Guests: Eli Mina, Registered Parliamentarian and Mahmoud Virani, BCSLA Auditor [2:30 pm to 3:00 pm]

1) Welcome & Introductions, Mark van der Zalm: Mark welcomed Members and Associates, thanked them for attending and reminded participants to sign in. He introduced Eli Mina who would facilitate the meeting and answer questions regarding Rules of Order. Mark introduced Mahmoud Virani who conducted the annual audit and was present to answer any questions relating to the 2011 BCSLA audit. The Board of Directors introduced themselves. It was noted that Emily Dunlop, Intern and Associate Representative was leading the LARE workshop and could not attend the meeting. Ian Wasson and Scott Mason are also participating in the LARE workshop.

Tracy reported that the AGM Notice, Director and Committee Reports including the 2011 Budget was circulated on April 14, 2011, thirty days prior to the AGM. The AGM package was also available online and from the BCSLA office. The audited financial statements and the AGM package were available at the AGM registration desk.

**2)** Declaration of Quorum, Tracy Penner: Bylaws require that a quorum of twenty (20) voting Members be present. There are 328 eligible voting Members including 275 Registered Landscape Architects, 6 Landscape Architects, 36 Inactive Members and 11 Retired Members. It was agreed by consensus that a quorum was present.

Eli noted that he would use the BCSLA Bylaws and Roberts Rules of Order to assist with meeting facilitation. He provided an overview of the Rules of Order.

**3)** Approval of the Agenda, Mark van der Zalm: Members were asked to review the Agenda and suggestions for additions were invited. There were no changes to the Agenda.

#### MOTION #1: It was moved and seconded to adopt the Agenda as circulated. CARRIED

**4)** Adoption of Draft 2010 AGM Minutes, Mark van der Zalm: Mark asked for corrections or additions to the Minutes. There were no changes.

#### MOTION #2: It was moved and seconded to adopt the 2010 AGM Meeting Minutes as circulated. CARRIED

**5)** Officers Reports, Mark Van der Zalm: Written reports were included in the 2011 AGM package. Mark noted that there was a printing omission of the Marketing Expense line items on page 2 of the budget. The loose page highlighted the corrected numbers. No financial figures changed.

a) President's Report, Mark van der Zalm: A Focus Group Workshop was organized in April. Members from a wide scope of practice and geographic area volunteered their time and expertise. As a result of the meeting the Board initiated strategic outline that was detailed in panels displayed throughout the conference.

**b)** Treasurer's Report, Geoff Gooderham: Geoff provided a detailed overview of revenue and expense items and invited questions.

i) 2010 Audit: The audit showed a small surplus at the end of 2010. Geoff and Mahmoud Virani invited questions and comments regarding the Society finances.

**MOTION #3:** It was moved and seconded to adopt the financial statements as presented.

#### CARRIED

#### ii) Appointment of the Auditors:

MOTION #4: It was moved and seconded to appoint Mahmoud Virani Inc. as the BCSLA auditor for 2011. CARRIED

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**iii) 2011 Budget:** Geoff provided details of the anticipated revenue and expenses. He reminded Members that annual fees are tied to the Government of Canada Consumer Price Index.

iv) Office Space: Information on the BCSLA office lease is included in the report.

c) Registrar's Report, Tracy Penner: The written report was in the AGM package and there were no questions.

6) Directors Reports, Mark van der Zalm: The written reports were in the AGM package and there were no questions.

7) Committee Reports, Mark van der Zalm: The written reports were in the AGM package. A Member expressed concerns about the BCSLA logo design competition and survey. Dylan provided a summary of the history of the logo revisions. He also detailed the process used to develop the logo competition and the next steps. It was noted that the logo survey included a "none of the above" option if Members did not support the competition initiative.

#### MOTION #5: It was moved and seconded to adopt the reports as circulated.

#### CARRIED

8) Election of Officers, Kathy Dunster: Eli provided an overview of the voting process. Kathy reported that: Teri Cantin would assume the role of President, Mark van der Zalm will become Past President and Geoff Gooderham, Treasurer, Tracy Penner, Registrar have one year remaining in their terms. Directors Theresa Cherniak, Gerald Fleming, Pawel Gradowski and Ray Visser had one year remaining in their terms. Dylan Chernoff, Allison Good and Amy Tsang completed their terms as Directors and Kathy thanked them for their dedication. Kathy reported that she had completed her term and was stepping down from the Board.

a) President-Elect: Kathy reported that Nastaran Moradinejad had allowed her name to stand as President Elect. Nominations were invited from the floor three times. As there were no new nominations, Nastaran Moradinejad was acclaimed as President-Elect. Nastaran thanked the Members for their support. Kathy thanked the firms for allowing their staff to volunteer for the BCSLA.

**b) Directors:** There were three positions open for a Director. Allison Good has allowed her name to stand for a second term as Director. Frank Basciano and Mike Teed put their name forward to serve as Directors. Nominations were invited from the floor three times. As there were no new nominations Frank Basciano, Allison Good and Mike Teed were elected as Directors for a two-year term.

Mark van der Zalm turned the BCSLA Talking Stick over to Teri Cantin. Teri thanked the Members for their confidence in her and assumed the meeting Chair. She also thanked Mark for his dedication and invited New Business.

#### 9) New Business, Teri Cantin:

a) BC Landscape Standards, Kathy Dunster: Kathy reported that the BCSLA/BCLNA had begun work on the next edition of the BC Landscape Standard. She asked the Members to provide input on suggested revisions and invited volunteers to assist with the revisions.

**b)** BCLA Logo, Jeff Cutler: Jeff indicated that he represented a delegation of Members who were concerned about the process used to develop a new BCSLA logo and word mark by a competition and survey of members.

MOTION #6: It was moved and seconded to terminate the BCSLA Logo Competition.

It was noted that the goal of the Logo Competition was to develop a new BCSLA logo as many Members expressed concerns about the "BCLA" logo. Discussion followed regarding: readability, legibility, legal and administrative issues related to the current logo. A survey inviting input from the Members will be circulated and the preferred logo will be developed further by a professional graphic artist. It was agreed that BCSLA was obliged to complete the competition process as stated in the Terms of Reference. The Motion was defeated.

**10)** Adjournment, Teri Cantin: May I please have a Motion to adjourn the meeting.

**MOTION #7:** It was moved and seconded to adjourn the 2011 BCSLA AGM.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm

CARRIED

It has been a busy year for the BCSLA. While the annual President's Message is a chance to evaluate the past year's progress, we also want to focus on the future.

In 2011, the BCSLA welcomed 25 new Registered Landscape Architects and 2 Landscape Architects, which is a large number for a small professional society. At the same time, senior members of the Society are retiring. Some are actively working on transition or an exit strategy within their private sector firms as they plan for retirement.

Mark van der Zalm, Past President, and Theresa Cherniak have worked hard on the Professional Practice Survey that was circulated in March 2012. The goal is to engage BCSLA Members from all over the province to establish a strategic plan and outline for priorities over the next five to ten years. The results of the survey will provide the BCSLA with valuable insights into the current state of the landscape architecture industry in BC and will be available to the entire Membership.

Since 1989, the BCSLA has evaluated the broader state of the profession on two occasions. In 1990, RK House & Associates published the first BCSLA practice survey. Since that time the BCSLA Workplace Survey was conducted in 2007. The results of these studies provide tremendous insight into the current state of our profession, and workplace dynamics. The 2012 Practice Survey combined questions from the 2007 Workplace Survey, and the House report. In addition, this survey solicited input from the broader membership in relation to strategic priorities for the BCSLA moving forward. The goal is to gain a better understanding of our profession and what trends are emerging. Mark will provide a summary of the preliminary results of the Survey at the 2012 AGM.

The Bylaws Committee did not meet because the Pathway to Labour Mobility project was delayed as a result of the 2011 federal election. The Labour Mobility Division of the Human Resource and Skill Development Canada was re-organized. The BCSLA office is rewriting the grant application to adapt to the changes. The Bylaw review will be conducted in 2012 for review by the Members at the 2013 AGM.

The Continuing Education (CE) Committee conducted audits of the three-year CE term, 2008-2009-2010. Members who were found to be credit deficient were assessed a fine and required to satisfy the credit requirement. BCSLA is proud to encourage our Members and Associates to become *Lifelong Learners*.

A delegation of Members appeared before the Board of Directors on several occasions to voice their concerns about the direction that the Board was proceeding in regarding the logo and wordmark. The Board took their concerns into consideration and a new Logo Working Group was struck to come up with solutions and report back to the Board and membership. Mike Teed will report on the progress at the 2012 AGM.

In September, the Board of Directors gathered in Victoria, BC for the monthly Board meeting. This provided an excellent opportunity for Vancouver Island Members to provide input and ask questions. The meeting was followed by a networking session, a series of Continuing Education presentations and a walking tour of some of the fabulous projects around the Inner Harbour. The Board of Directors will travel to Kelowna, BC from October 12-13, 2012 to meet with Regional Chapter Members.

BCSLA is proud to have so many dedicated volunteers who serve on the Board of Directors, on Committees, Sub-Committees and more. Our Members represent BCSLA on Advisory Design Panels and via Committee work with allied organizations. The contributions of our Members have allowed many initiatives to move forward and we are all indebted to those Members that have volunteered knowledge, time and energy on behalf of the Society and the membership.

Respectfully Submitted By: Teri Cantin, President March 2012

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS 2012 Annual General Meeting Report

#### **Credentials Committee**

The Credentials Committee meets several times a year in person and via email to review membership applications and to discuss other issues related to licensure. The Committee makes recommendations on membership applications to the Board of Directors who have the final approval. In 2011, the BCSLA welcomed 25 new Registered Landscape Architects, 2 landscape architects, 18 Interns, and 3 Associate members. In addition, BCSLA also added five Affiliates and three new Students to the roster. Thank you very much to **Teri Cantin**, **Al Neufeld**, **Damon Oriente**, **Judith Reeve**, **Mark van der Zalm** and **Tracy Penner** for dedicating their time and expertise on this Committee.

Membership is growing steadily despite concern over the global economy. Membership has grown by 168 over the past eleven years. Some Members have retired while others have reactivated their status or have become Inactive for a variety of reasons.

#### Membership (as of March 10, 2012)

| Registered Landscape Architect | 286 (includes 6 Life Members) |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Inactive Landscape Architect   | 44                            |
| Retired Landscape Architect    | 15 (includes 5 Life Members   |
| Landscape Architect            | 8                             |
| Intern                         | 117                           |
| Associate                      | 16                            |
| Students                       | 12                            |
| Affiliate                      | 37                            |
| TOTAL                          | 535                           |

#### **Delinguent Dues**

BCSLA dues cover membership services, advocacy and event planning, Continuing Education support and enforcement, publication such as the Friday File and Sitelines, administrative staff, new member intake processes, and operating overhead for our office. These services keep the Society running and support the profession of Landscape Architecture. For this reason, Members who do not pay their dues in a timely manner may have their membership lapse. As defined in our Bylaw 2.45, Members who fail to pay dues within 60 days of notification shall cease to be a member of the Society. At press time BCSLA staff were pursuing nine Registered Landscape Architects, two Inactive Members, nine BCSLA Interns and one BCSLA Associate who are delinquent in submitting dues. All dues are invoiced on November 30 and are payable by December 31 of the same year.

#### **Board of Examiners**

The role of Board of Examiners is to set and administer the examination necessary for the registration of Members in the Society and to review the applicant's qualifications and to determine acceptability. The 2012 Board of Examiners is comprised of Teri Cantin, Nastaran Moradinejad, Elizbeth Cunnin, Michael Nassichuk. Bill Pechet and Daniel Roehr. The Lieutenant Governor appoints four of the examiners. The Past President serves as Board of Examiners Chair; the BCSLA President also sits on the Board of Examiner. The Registrar is an Observer who does not vote.

#### **Complaints**

One complaint regarding a Member was set aside as the Member was found not to be at fault. There were several complaints regarding misuse of title. The BCSLA sent letters informing these individuals of the Provincial statute and requested that they cease using the title and to revise all promotional material that implied the individual was a landscape architect or that a landscape architect was on staff. All have complied. We thank our Members for keeping the Society informed when they learn any misuse of title.

#### Labour Mobility

The Government of Canada Labour Mobility Department was reorganized to include Foreign Credentials Recognition. The BCSLA application for funding to support the BCSLA Pathway to Labour Mobility initiative must be resubmitted referencing the revised guidelines. The funds will be used to establish common admission standards and align membership categories in BC, Alberta, and Ontario where the profession is regulated. It is hoped that this project will establish a template for all CSLA components to use as guidelines for labour mobility across Canada.

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The Canadian Society of Landscape Architects drafted a Reciprocity Policy for review by the provincial components. Following a thorough review by the Credentials Committee and the BCSLA Board of Directors it was decided not to endorse the Policy. Several sections of the document were cause for concern including:

- a. conditions of reciprocity,
- b. oral interview definition,
- c. the diversity of entry standards
- d. impact on reciprocity of members in other jurisdictions,
- e. legal ramifications of accepting the agreement.

It was agreed to recommend that a reciprocity initiative should be drafted between the AALA, BCSLA and OALA. Once a template for membership standards has been established, national reciprocity could occur between all provinces where the profession is regulated under the same national standards.

#### Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards (CLARB)

The Registrar and the Executive Administrator represent the BCSLA at CLARB meetings that are held via teleconference, online, and twice a year in person. **Ian Wasson**, MBCSLA, FCSLA is the Past President

#### Landscape Architectural Registration Exams (LARE)

The (LARE) is transitioning as a result of the recent task analysis research, advancements in testing technology and evolution of the marketplace. Changes to the exam will include: reduction from five to four sections, where section D will be incorporated into sections C and E; and change of examination format from hand drawn to computer administration. Sections A and Section B will remain the same except that they will be called Section 1 and Section 2. This modest structural change will better align the content of the LARE with current practice and will provide increased scheduling opportunities for taking exams The new exam format will be numbered Section1, Section 3 and Section 4.

For additional details on the new exam format and the equivalency between the current and the new exam visit www.clarb.org. By December 2012 all four sections will be delivered by computer to improve relevance, reliability, and accessibility. The BCSLA is working with CLARB to identify additional test centers in the Lower Mainland, the Interior, Vancouver Island and Northern BC.

#### 2011 LARE – BC Results (Pass Rates)

|                | Α    | В   | С   | D   | E   |
|----------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| March 2011     | 100% | 63% |     | 63% |     |
| June 2011      |      |     | 73% |     | 25% |
| September 2011 | 100% | 50% |     | 40% |     |
| December 2011  |      |     | 90% |     | 50% |

#### 2011 LARE- International Results (Pass Rates)

|                | Α   | B   | С   | D   | E   |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| March 2011     | 82% | 71% |     | 64% |     |
| June 2011      |     |     | 60% |     | 36% |
| September 2011 | 79% | 69% |     | 66% |     |
| December 2011  |     |     | 69% |     | 37% |

Respectfully Submitted By: Tracy Penner Registrar March 2012 In spite of the uncertain global economy, BCSLA finances are in good order. Both revenue and expenses were lower than forecast and the preliminary budget indicated slight deficit. Please note however, that at the time this report was being prepared, the annual audit process had just begun. The audited statements that will be circulated at the Annual General Meeting will differ slightly, as revenue and expenses received after December 31, 2011 were not included in this report.

#### 2011 Revenue

Revenue from Member dues was slightly lower than forecast, but the Membership numbers remain steady. The 2011 Annual Conference returned a slight profit. Volunteers are working hard to accommodate our loyal supporters and identify new companies to participate in the Showcase of Products and program support

#### 2011 Expenses

Most of the 2011 budget line items were within their allotted budget. The Board of Directors took on several intiatives such as a Board meeting in Victoria, the logo competition, strategic plan and more. BCSLA granted several requests for funding support inlcuding: the UBC Great Garden Designers Lecture Series, BCIT Cornelia Hahn Oberlander Scholarship and Research Grant and the Landscape Architecture Canada Foundation. The budget for legal fees revisions was not used. In 2011, we continued to invest funds in the Emergency Fund.

#### BCSLA Term Deposits

Mahmoud Virani, BCSLA Auditor, has recommended that several term deposit investments be adjusted to match the deposits. Some of the term deposits are locked in for a three year period as a better rate of interest is earned. The adjustments are necessary as the annual interest can not be reinvested in the same term until the term deposit matures. Other adjustments are a result of funds being allocated to an account in error many years ago.

#### 2012 Proposed Budget

In accordance with our Bylaws, the BCSLA Board of Directors approved the budget that is included in the AGM package. The Board continues to take a prudent approach to the budget-making process and this is reflected in the 2012 budget. The Board intends to proceed with initiatives such as: advocacy, strategic planning, outreach to the public, and other priorities.

The BCSLA Pathway to Labour Mobility funding application was delayed by ther 2011 federal election and the reorganization of the Labour Mobility division. The application will be re-written and submitted to the federal government this spring. If successful, the funding would support costs related to our obligations for labour mobility under the Agreement on Internal Trade and the New West Partnership Trade Agreement in provinces where the profession is regulated (Ontario, Alberta, and BC). The project would help establish a template to align membership categories and establish a standard for all jurisdictions..

The 2012 budget shows a balanced budget of revenue and expenses. Revenue from Membership has been increased in line with the growth of the Membership and the increase in annual dues. Proposed expenditures are either the same as 2011 or increased as required based on our experience in 2011. Increased funds have been allocated to the Interior Chapter budget as the Board of Directors has plans to hold a series of meetings in Kelowna in 2012. We will continue to make contributions to the Emergency Fund. The 2012 Annual Conference, Showcase, and Program Sponsorship revenue is anticipated to be \$10,000. The generous support from our sponsors at the Annual Conference is the largest source of revenue outside of annual dues. At the time of the October 2011 Board of Directors meeting the Bank of Canada had established the Consumer Price Index as 2.9% (see <a href="http://www.bank-banque-canada.ca/en/index.html">http://www.bank-banque-canada.ca/en/index.html</a>). The Board approved a Motion to increase the BCSLA portion of the dues by 3%. CSLA dues and fees payable by Members are submitted to the CSLA in April.

The BCSLA Board of Directors will continue to be responsible with the funds provided by the Membership. Thanks to the decisions of previous Boards and the Membership, the BCSLA has the financial ability to proceed with projects that will benefit the Society and the profession without undue financial strain. The Board welcomes new initiatives from the Membership that will continue this growth.

Respectfully Submitted By: Geoff Gooderham Treasurer March 2012

## BC Society of Landscape Architects 2012 Budget (unaudited)

|                                   | 2012 Budget |            | Budget 01/01/11<br>to 12/31/11 |            | Actual 01/01/11 to<br>12/31/11 |            |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|------------|--------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------|------------|
| REVENUE                           |             |            |                                |            |                                |            |
| Membership Registered             | 231,000.00  |            | 208,600.00                     |            | 206,831.01                     |            |
| Membership Non-Registered         | 6,160.00    |            | 5,300.00                       |            | 4,911.53                       |            |
| Membership Intern                 | 24,000.00   |            | 24,000.00                      |            | 21,505.26                      |            |
| Membership: Associate             | 2,800.00    |            | 2,550.00                       |            | 2,571.50                       |            |
| Membership Student                | 600.00      |            | 500.00                         |            | 549.41                         |            |
| Membership Inactive               | 4,500.00    |            | 3,600.00                       |            | 3,884.75                       |            |
| Membership Retired                | 600.00      |            | 1,000.00                       |            | 500.50                         |            |
| Membership Affiliate              | 11,475.00   |            | 10,000.00                      |            | 10,374.93                      |            |
| MEMBERSHIP INCOME TOTAL           |             | 281,135.00 |                                | 255,550.00 |                                | 251,128.89 |
| Lare Administration Fee           | 1,000.00    |            | 5,000.00                       |            | 3,498.13                       |            |
| Lare Applications                 | 1,000.00    |            | 200.00                         |            | 267.99                         |            |
| LARE INCOME TOTAL                 |             | 2,000.00   |                                | 5,200.00   |                                | 3,766.12   |
| Other: Firm Project Signs         | 160.00      |            | 100.00                         |            | 165.30                         |            |
| Other: Sitelines                  | 26,450.00   |            | 22,000.00                      |            | 21,457.06                      |            |
| Other: sitelines.org              | 100.00      |            | 100.00                         |            | 0.00                           |            |
| Other: Landscape Standard         | 3,500.00    |            | 5,000.00                       |            | 3,137.81                       |            |
| Other: CE Penalty                 | 0.00        |            | 0.00                           |            | 3,800.00                       |            |
| Other: Term Deposit Bank Interest | 5,000.00    |            | 5,000.00                       |            | 5,452.20                       |            |
| Other: Interest                   | 100.00      |            | 100.00                         |            | 84.24                          |            |
| Other: Admin. Expenses Recovery   | 4,000.00    |            | 2,000.00                       |            | 4,836.74                       |            |
| Other: Late Pmt Fee, Visa Fee     | 3,000.00    |            | 1,300.00                       |            | 1,957.06                       |            |
| Other: Van City Dividends         | 5.00        |            | 5.00                           |            | 18.51                          |            |
| Other: Miscellaneous              | 5,000.00    | _          | 4,000.00                       |            | 4,885.01                       |            |
| OTHER INCOME TOTAL                |             | 47,315.00  |                                | 39,605.00  |                                | 45,793.93  |
| Conference 2012: Registration     | 33,000.00   |            | 30,000.00                      |            | 32,701.07                      |            |
| Conference 2012: CE W/S           | 500.00      |            | 1,000.00                       |            | 335.00                         |            |
| Conference 2012: Exhibitor        | 30,000.00   |            | 30,000.00                      |            | 27,092.00                      |            |
| Conference 2012 - Program Support | 15,000.00   |            | 25,000.00                      |            | 14,500.00                      |            |
| Conference 2012: TOTAL            |             | 78,500.00  |                                | 86,000.00  |                                | 74,628.07  |
| CE Courses and DVD Sales          |             | 1,000.00   |                                | 1,000.00   |                                | 300.27     |
| Labour Mobility Grant             |             | 1,000.00   |                                | 5,000.00   |                                | 0.00       |
| New Member Book                   |             | 1,500.00   |                                | 1,500.00   |                                | 1,500.00   |
| Amort. of Deferred Contributions  |             | 0.00       |                                | 0.00       |                                | 0.00       |
| REVENUE TOTAL                     | -           | 412,450.00 |                                | 393,855.00 | · -                            | 377,117.28 |
| TOTAL REVENUE                     | 2           | 12,450.00  |                                | 393,855.00 |                                | 377,117.28 |

## BC Society of Landscape Architects 2012 Budget (unaudited)

| EXPENSES                            | 2012 Budget | 12 Duuge   | Budget 01/01/11<br>to 12/31/11 |            | Actual 01/01/11 to<br>12/31/11 |            |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|------------|--------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------|------------|
| Membership - Profes. Development    | 2,000.00    |            | 2,000.00                       |            | 1,465.00                       |            |
| Membership - Landscape Standard     | 1,000.00    |            | 1,000.00                       |            | 567.85                         |            |
| Membership - Sitelines              | 25,000.00   |            | 27,000.00                      |            | 19,664.77                      |            |
| Membership - Committee Expenses     | 3,000.00    |            | 3,000.00                       |            | 879.49                         |            |
| Membership - Social Events          | 10,000.00   |            | 10,000.00                      |            | 9,448.10                       |            |
| Membership: Firm Project Signs      | 100.00      |            | 100.00                         |            | 0.00                           |            |
| Membership - Interior Chapter       | 14,000.00   |            | 2,500.00                       |            | 1,924.24                       |            |
| Membership - Island Chapter         | 4,000.00    |            | 10,000.00                      |            | 9,937.89                       |            |
| Membership: Community Outreach      | 3,000.00    |            | 3,000.00                       |            | 7,893.51                       |            |
| Membership: BCSLA Logo              | 6,000.00    |            | 3,000.00                       |            | 6,636.42                       |            |
| MEMBERSHIP EXPENSES TOTAL           |             | 68,100.00  |                                | 61,600.00  |                                | 58,417.27  |
| Admin - Executive Administrator     | 63,000.00   |            | 60,000.00                      |            | 60,986.63                      |            |
| Admin - Employee Benefits & WCB     | 3,000.00    |            | 2,600.00                       |            | 1,487.49                       |            |
| Admin - EI Expense                  | 2,100.00    |            | 2,000.00                       |            | 1,906.92                       |            |
| Admin - CPP Expense                 | 3,700.00    |            | 3,300.00                       |            | 3,634.27                       |            |
| Admin - Clerical Asst.              | 34,000.00   |            | 28,000.00                      |            | 32,323.08                      |            |
| Admin - Accounting/Audit            | 12,000.00   |            | 10,000.00                      |            | 11,361.79                      |            |
| Admin - Office Rent                 | 20,000.00   |            | 20,000.00                      |            | 21,072.69                      |            |
| Admin - Locker Rent                 | 800.00      |            | 800.00                         |            | 1,375.00                       |            |
| Admin - Telephone & Fax             | 3,000.00    |            | 3,000.00                       |            | 2,837.89                       |            |
| Admin - Internet/E-Mail             | 1,500.00    |            | 1,500.00                       |            | 1,153.94                       |            |
| Admin - WEB Host                    | 1,000.00    |            | 1,500.00                       |            | 615.32                         |            |
| Admin - Office Supplies             | 2,700.00    |            | 2,500.00                       |            | 2,737.22                       |            |
| Admin - Postage                     | 2,800.00    |            | 2,500.00                       |            | 2,729.27                       |            |
| Admin - Photocopies                 | 0.00        |            | 0.00                           |            | (22.90)                        |            |
| Admin - Couriers                    | 500.00      |            | 500.00                         |            | 576.07                         |            |
| Admin - Bank & VISA Charges         | 1,600.00    |            | 1,300.00                       |            | 1,598.50                       |            |
| Admin - Leasing (Photocopier)       | 1,500.00    |            | 2,400.00                       |            | 1,023.09                       |            |
| Admin - Leasing (Postage Machine)   | 1,000.00    |            | 1,000.00                       |            | 921.27                         |            |
| Admin - Legal                       | 10,000.00   |            | 10,000.00                      |            | (1,266.50)                     |            |
| Admin - Bylaw Revisions             | 4,000.00    |            | 5,000.00                       |            | 8,811.20                       |            |
| Admin - Office Insurance            | 1,040.00    |            | 1,000.00                       |            | 775.42                         |            |
| Admin - Board Expenses              | 8,000.00    |            | 8,000.00                       |            | 8,525.92                       |            |
| Admin - Registrar                   | 1,000.00    |            | 1,000.00                       |            | 265.29                         |            |
| Admin - Directors' Insurance        | 1,400.00    |            | 1,400.00                       |            | 1,092.00                       |            |
| Admin - Amortizartion               | 100.00      |            | 100.00                         |            | 0.00                           |            |
| Admin - Miscellaneous               | 300.00      |            | 300.00                         |            | 129.50                         |            |
| ADMIN. EXPENSES TOTAL               |             | 180,040.00 |                                | 169,700.00 |                                | 166,650.37 |
| Marketing - Advertising & Promotion | 500.00      |            | 500.00                         |            | 381.60                         |            |
| Marketing - Community Awards        | 300.00      |            | 300.00                         |            | 0.00                           |            |
| Sitelines.org Website               | 2,500.00    |            | 3,000.00                       |            | 2,636.28                       |            |
| Marketing - WEB Atlas               | 2,000.00    |            | 2,000.00                       |            | 2,000.00                       |            |
| MARKETING EXPENSES TOTAL            |             | 5,300.00   |                                | 5,800.00   |                                | 5,017.88   |

## BC Society of Landscape Architects 2012 Budget (unaudited)

| EXPENSES                           | 2012 Budget | 12 Dudget  | Budget 01/01/11<br>to 12/31/11 |            | Actual 01/01/11 to<br>12/31/11 |            |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------|--------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------|------------|
| CSLA - Landscapes Publication      | 1,840.00    |            | 2,000.00                       |            | 1,732.15                       |            |
| CSLA - Juror Award Meeting         | 2,000.00    |            | 4,000.00                       |            | 1,207.50                       |            |
| CSLA - BOG Meetings                | 3,000.00    |            | 6,000.00                       |            | 5,672.52                       |            |
| CSLA - Membership Dues             | 50,820.00   |            | 39,500.00                      |            | 40,959.85                      |            |
| CSLA EXPENSES TOTAL                |             | 57,660.00  |                                | 51,500.00  |                                | 49,572.02  |
| CLARB- Membership Dues             | 5,200.00    |            | 5,200.00                       |            | 5,232.60                       |            |
| CLARB - Meetings                   | 8,500.00    |            | 8,500.00                       |            | 7,280.71                       |            |
| CLARB - Courier                    | 200.00      |            | 300.00                         |            | 423.73                         |            |
| CLARB - Miscellaneous              | 100.00      |            | 100.00                         |            | 0.00                           |            |
| CLARB EXPENSES TOTAL               |             | 14,000.00  |                                | 14,100.00  |                                | 12,937.04  |
| Registration - Board of Examiners  | 1,000.00    |            | 500.00                         |            | 1,427.98                       |            |
| Scholarship - P. Tattersfield      | 500.00      |            | 500.00                         |            | 1,000.00                       |            |
| Scholarship - John Neill           | 500.00      |            | 500.00                         |            | 500.00                         |            |
| Registration - Robillard Scholar   | 1,000.00    |            | 1,000.00                       |            | 1,000.00                       |            |
| Registration - Stamps/Certificates | 1,800.00    |            | 1,800.00                       |            | 2,268.04                       |            |
| Registration - Miscellaneous       | 300.00      |            | 300.00                         |            | 0.00                           |            |
| Registration - Scholarships/Books  | 1,500.00    |            | 1,500.00                       |            | 1,811.54                       |            |
| REGISTRATION EXPENSES TOTAL        |             | 6,600.00   |                                | 6,100.00   |                                | 8,007.56   |
| UBC Book Program                   | 500.00      |            | 500.00                         |            | 576.00                         |            |
| UBC Student Outreach               | 0.00        |            | 0.00                           |            | 185.00                         |            |
| UBC BOOK PROGRAM TOTAL             |             | 500.00     |                                | 500.00     |                                | 761.00     |
| CE - On-Line WEB Section           | 2,000.00    |            | 3,000.00                       |            | 2,035.60                       |            |
| CE - Courses                       | 4,000.00    |            | 7,000.00                       |            | 3,714.64                       |            |
| LARE Workshops                     | 1,000.00    |            | 1,500.00                       |            | 835.93                         |            |
| LARE Admin. Venue                  | 1,000.00    |            | 1,400.00                       |            | 1,545.60                       |            |
| Communication Sub-Committee        | 3,000.00    |            | 3,000.00                       |            | 2,276.52                       |            |
| 2010 BCSLA Drawing Exhibition      | 0.00        |            | 500.00                         |            | 170.72                         |            |
| CONTINUING EDUCATION - TOTAL       |             | 11,000.00  |                                | 16,400.00  |                                | 10,579.01  |
| AGM                                |             | 65,000.00  |                                | 60,000.00  |                                | 70,179.81  |
| BCSLA Showcase                     |             | 100.00     |                                | 0.00       |                                | 0.00       |
| Emergency Fund                     | 3,000.00    |            | 3,000.00                       |            | 6,000.00                       |            |
| Moving Forward/Labour Mobility     | 1,000.00    |            | 5,000.00                       |            | 0.00                           |            |
| Building Fund                      | 100.00      |            | 100.00                         |            | 0.00                           |            |
| Special Levy Expenses              | 50.00       |            | 55.00                          |            | 0.00                           |            |
|                                    |             | 4,150.00   |                                | 8,155.00   |                                | 0.00       |
| EXPENSES TOTAL                     | -           | 412,450.00 | -                              | 393,855.00 | · -                            | 382,121.96 |
| TOTAL EXPENSE                      | _           | 412,450.00 | -                              | 393,855.00 |                                | 382,121.96 |
| NET INCOME                         | =           | 0.00       | -                              | 0.00       |                                | (5,004.68) |

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#### 2012 Annual General Meeting Report

In 2011 the CSLA Board of Directors updated the 2006 Strategic Plan by reviewing all up-to-date actions and past programs and developed new tasks for the next three years. The Board decided to continue the on-going programs and initiatives and to prioritize the new essential actions by selecting only three new issues for each coming year. This strategy allows for better use of time of the very limited number of CSLA volunteers (one representative from each component association and only a handful of supporting volunteers working on selected CSLA programs).

Following are the strategic actions set as the priorities for the next three years:

#### <u>2012</u>

- Explore the need, requirements and opportunities for full-time Executive Director role.
- Assess Members' satisfaction with CSLA governance model.
- · Assess existing programs against priorities and budgets.

#### <u>2013</u>

- Develop a revenue generation strategy.
- Develop a communications, marketing and branding strategy to:
  - Confirm the role of CSLA, its brand and key messages.
  - Coordinate communication between CSLA and its components.
  - Guide social media and communication tools.
- Advocate the professional skills and abilities of landscape architects to deliver services to the public.
- Align with allied professions and other groups that will add strength the CSLA's messages.

#### <u>2014</u>

- Develop a long term plan for increasing membership which:
  - Supports the expansion of academic programs.
  - Profiles the CSLA to students.
  - Considers new categories of membership.
- Explore other professional development opportunities including alternative approaches to the Annual Congress.
- Develop a Volunteer Strategy

In 2011, the CSLA Board of Directors held seven teleconference meetings (January, February, April, June, September, October and December) and two meetings face-to-face (July in Iqaluit and November in Toronto). Several CSLA committees and sub-committees also meet by teleconference at regular (more frequent) intervals to further develop specific actions related to the Strategic Plan objectives.

In 2011, one of the key governance issues set earlier by the CSLA was the finalizing of the Reciprocity Agreement between all components. Through several meetings including face-to-face consultations with the presidents of the components, CSLA developed the final draft agreement intended for final review by the components. After consultation with their membership, all but Ontario and BC components agreed in principal to this document and agreed to sign it after very few minor modifications to its text.

The CSLA received very positive comments from all components and their members in regards to the recently launched, completely redeveloped CSLA website and for the recently upgraded, new format of Landscapes/Paysages. On the other hand, the publisher of the CSLA 2011 Directory provided their apology for several mistakes and omissions in this publication, which did not reflect any of the revisions provided by CSLA. Considering that this is not the first time that this publisher made serious mistakes, CSLA decided to discontinue the relationship with this editor and research alternative solutions.

In the fall 2011, the CSLA Executive Director provided her resignation (related to her illness). Currently, the CSLA Board is at is last stage of approving the new Executive Director.

The 2011 CSLA Congress was held in July in Iqaluit, NU, where CSLA President Elect, Liane McKenna (BCSLA) took over the presidency from Neil Dawe (NLALA). In July 2012, the Congress will be held in Halifax, NS, where current President Elect, Claude Potvin (AAPQ) will become the new CSLA President.

Respectfully Submitted By: Pawel Gradowski, BCSLA Representative to CSLA March 2012

#### **BRITISH COLUMBIA LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS**

#### 2012 Annual General Meeting Report

#### BCSLA Vancouver Island Chapter Report

With the encouragement and support from Tara Culham and Jessica Tan in the BCSLA office, the Vancouver Island Chapter Members had a good year. We were fortunate to have had additional representation on the north end of the island with new Director Frank Basciano taking a lead role in hosting two educational/social opportunities in the Nanaimo area. He was encouraged by the good response and lively discussion, and plans to have additional events in the future.

The intent of the Island representation is four-fold:

- 1) To meet and liaise with Island Members, and potential members, on their professional matters, as the need arises.
- 2) To provide and promote educational opportunities for Island Members.
- 3) To express the particular ideas and issues of the Island Chapter Members to the Board of Directors.
- 4) To represent the professional interests of Members throughout the province.

There are now over 36 Registered Landscape Architect Members on the Island. The BCSLA Internship Program remains active on the Island and 11 Interns continue to pursue their personal and professional goals. Two Registered Members have decided to retire from active practice.

In August, members were able to enjoy some social time at the first BCSLA Vancouver Island Golf Event. For the October issue of Sitelines, the focus was on the islands and several members contributed articles pertaining to activities of Island Members.

Of particular value this past year, was the Board of Directors meeting with members in Victoria that was seen as another step in taking the ideas and issues to the members. Also for the month of September, the landscape architects exhibition of "Drawing on the Land" was presented in the new Cedar Hill Arts Centre in the District of Saanich.

The Board of Directors continues to give excellent consideration and support to the Island Chapter Members and we look forward to the activities of the coming year.

Respectfully Submitted By: Gerald Fleming, Director BCSLA Vancouver Island Chapter March 2012

#### BCSLA Interior Chapter Report

The BCSLA Interior Chapter had another positive year in 2011 with Members attending three meetings/events with a total attendance of over 50 people throughout the year.

Our spring meeting was held at the Kelowna Springs Golf Club which featured a presentation by CCI Coast and Allan Block Corporation. Our fall meeting and social event, "Wines, Vines and Vistas", was held October 2, 2011 at Gray Monk Estate Winery overlooking beautiful Okanagan Lake. Members and guests also participated in a December meet-and-greet at the beautiful Bottega Farm Inn, Kelowna, where they were treated to live music, wonderful food and a presentation by RecTec Industries.

Other initiatives by Interior Members included writing articles and compiling photographs showcasing key Interior projects for the August edition of Sitelines magazine, as well as a presentation of the BCSLA "Drawing on the Land: Contemporary Landscape Architecture" exhibition at the Kamloops Art Gallery. Interior Member firms were also encouraged to support the Landscape Architecture Foundation on behalf of the pending publication *Landscape Architecture in Canada*.

The Interior Chapter recently met for their first meeting of 2012 at UBC Okanagan which included a very engaging presentation on Terraseeding by Denbow Industries, Chilliwack.

Items of interest and concern expressed by Interior Members, Interns and Associates include:

- Updating the BCSLA fee schedule.
- Developing a comprehensive public education program to raise the importance of Landscape Architecture in the interior of BC.
- Encouraging more contact with provincial government ministries in order to raise the profile of Landscape Architects in BC.
- Updating the BCSLA Landscape Schedules.
- The future of the BCSLA Interior Chapter.

Participants were very positive about the benefits of holding Interior Chapter meetings and educational sessions and hoped the BCSLA Interior Chapter will continue. The BCSLA Board of Directors will meet at the Delta Okanagan Grand in Kelowna from October 12-13, 2012. BCSLA volunteers and staff will be organizing CE events and a networking social

Respectfully Submitted By: Ray Visser Interior Chapter Chair March 2012

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA SOCIETY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS 2012 Annual General Meeting Report

#### UBC Landscape Architecture Program

In the 2010/11 academic year, we admitted 19 new students into the Masters of Landscape Architecture Program (MLA) Program and two new students into the Masters of Advanced Studies in Landscape Architecture Program. We currently have 60 full-time students in the MLA program and 6 students in the MASLA program. This represents a more than 20% increase in students over the previous year.

In 1997 the MLA Program received its first Accreditation by CSLA. In March 2012, the MLA Program underwent its fourth, five-year periodic accreditation review by CSLA. (As I write this the accreditation visit is pending. Naturally, I hope to report a positive outcome at the AGM).

Perhaps the truest measure of the success of an education program is the success of its graduates. Despite the current global economic conditions our students continue to find work. As I write this all but one of last year's graduating class has found work in the profession. Many are here in the Lower Mainland but others are elsewhere in Canada, the United States, Europe and Asia.

A year ago, I reported that we had begun the design process for a new School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture (SALA) building. The selected architect/landscape architect integrated design team of SHAPE Architecture/Feilden Clegg Bradley Studios and PWL Partnership Landscape Architects Inc. have completed a feasibility study for the new building and are now engaged in studying a new site with the possibility of a mixed-use tower, with student housing, on West Mall Annex.

Last summer some of our faculty moved offices into the new Centre for Interactive Research on Sustainability (CIRS). This space brings landscape architecture faculty (Ron Kellett, Cynthia Girling, Stephen Sheppard and Patrick Condon together with architects and others researching sustainability issues.

Under the guidance of SALA director Leslie Van Duzer we continue to focus on realizing the latent potential of being a School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture. As well as the new building that will bring us physically together, we are continuing to explore the curricular potential of exchange between programs in the form of joint studios, elective seminars and other joint required courses. In the fall of 2011 Daniel Roehr and Joe Dahmen co-taught a joint Architecture Landscape Architecture studio to 24 students equally split between Architecture and Landscape Architecture.

Our students continue to benefit from the support of the BCSLA and its membership. In fall 2011 we created a new professional mentor program for all incoming MLA students. Many thanks to all those members who agreed to act as mentors. Thanks also to Paul Sangha who initiated a new lecture series in 2011. Shunmyo Masuno, its inaugural speaker, lectured on Zen and Japanese Gardens on October 17 at the H.R. MacMillan Space Centre. In November, landscape urbanist and director of Harvard University's Landscape Architecture Program, Charles Waldheim visited the School and spoke at the Yaletown Roundhouse.

#### **Faculty News**

Patrick Mooney was installed as president of the Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture (CELA) in March. He will be stepping down as chair of the UBC Landscape Architecture Program in July and Cynthia Girling will take over responsibility for the Chair. Daniel Roehr will begin sabbatical in July and intends to use his sabbatical to write a book on green roofs. Cynthia Girling will lead a study abroad studio in the Netherlands this summer.

Preparing for our accreditation visit required that I summarize the achievements of the UBC LA faculty. I am proud to report that we have a very productive faculty at UBC. In the five years since our last review our faculty have obtained over \$5.8 million in research grants, published 50 refereed papers in major journals, 40 papers in conference proceedings and another 35 papers in professional and environmental magazines. In addition, they have written 10 books, authored 16 chapters in books and delivered over 165 keynote and invited lectures.

Respectfully Submitted By: Patrick Mooney, Chair, Landscape Architecture Program UBC Representative to BCSLA March 2012

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS 2012 Annual General Meeting Report

#### 2012 BCSLA Associate/Intern Report

The 2011/2012 year was the first year that the BCSLA had two representatives for the Associates/Interns. This was done in response to our growing Membership and Intern needs. Jacqueline Lowe and I, Maria Burdak, have found the position to be interesting and greatly rewarding. We started the position in June of 2011 just before the summer; however, we were in full swing by September when the Board of Directors reconvened.

In September of 2011 we conducted our first LARE (Landscape Architecture Registration Exam) workshop by encouraging our fellow interns to "Lug it and Bolt it to Canadian Tire" in preparation of LARE Section D. This was quickly followed by our first comprehensive workshop in Victoria for our fellow Island Interns. The workshops were well received and we were able to answer many questions relating to the LARE process. In addition, we held LARE workshops for C and E through-out the month of November. Pass rates were among the highest in North America please see the Registrar Report for complete details.

In September, CLARB (Council of Landscape Architecture Registration Boards) announced changes to come for 2012. We would like to thank Tara Culham, BCSLA Executive Director and Tracy Penner, BCSLA Registrar, for their assistance in following up with CLARB on the changes so that we were better able to explain these changes to our fellow interns.

In the fall of 2011 we carried on the tradition of the book donations to the UBC library at the Irving K Barber Learning Centre. The funding provided by the BCSLA is matched by the UBC Library and books are selected in cooperation with UBC's library staff. We would like to thank Kevin Madill for helping us through the process. This year, in addition to our regular donation, a special book was donated in commemoration of Clive Justice's 85<sup>th</sup> birthday. The new editions to the collection are as follows:

- Constructing Shadows: pergolas, pavilions, tents, cables and plants by P. Petcheck
- Constructing Landscape: material, techniques, structural components by A. Zimmermann
- Groundwork: between landscape and architecture by D. Balmori
- Women in Landscape Architecture: essays on history and practice by L. Mozingo
- Futurescapes: designers for tomorrow's outdoor spaces by T. Richardson
- New American Landscape: leading voices on the future of sustainable gardening by T. Christopher
- Meaning in Landscape Architecture & Gardens: Four essays, four commentaries by M. Treib
- Roberto Burie Marx: the modernity of landscape by L. Cavalcanti
- Restoration of Lakes, Streams, Floodplains, and Bogs in Europe: principles and case studies by M. Eiseltova
- Sunburnt: Landscape Architecture in Australia by S. Ware
- Landscape Scale Conservation Planning by S.C. Trombulak
- Making of the English Gardener by M. Willes
- Public Spaces, Private Gardens: a history of designed landscape in New Orleans by D. Lake

We hope that these books will aid the students in their studies for years to come.

As always, the BCSLA Annual Conference is a very busy time for everyone. We were very happy to be a part of this year's conference. We have key speakers arriving from all over North America as well as one from Central America. We hope that this influx of ideas will help to get the conversation started on some very important topics to our discipline. We would like to thank all the people whose time, energy and experience is invaluable to the success of this conference. Volunteers are the heart of this organization and working together helps to build the community within our Society.

I am happy to say that included in this year's 27 new members is Jacqueline Lowe. As such, she will no longer be able to act as an Associate/Intern Representative. While working with Jacqueline, I have come to understand that the time that she has been the IBCSLA Intern/Associate Representative only represents a fraction of the time and energy that she has put into the organization over the years. I have very much enjoyed working with her. I would recommend the opportunity of being an Associate/Intern Representative to any intern. The Society will be looking for replacements for Jacqueline and myself, as I will be out of BC for an extended period of time over the next year. I would like to thank the Board of Directors for this opportunity and I would be happy to serve in the future.

Respectfully Submitted By: Maria Burdak Intern Representative

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#### History of the Continuing Education (CE) Program

In 2003, the BCSLA Membership approved a Special Resolution establishing that CE be a mandatory obligation for Registered Landscape Architects, Landscape Architects, Inactive Members and Interns. The voluntary program was a success; the Membership responded positively to monitoring their CE activities and a survey of the Membership's professional needs and areas of interest were recorded. The Continuing Education Committee will continue to monitor and review the success of the program and advise the Membership regularly. In the Fall of 2003, BCSLA launched an online CE monitoring system to assist Members in tracking their CE credits.

#### **CE Policy**

Registered Landscape Architects, Landscape Architects, and Interns are required to submit a minimum of 30 CE credits over a three year period. That requirement is pro-rated for new Members and Members that re-activate their Membership. Inactive Members are required to meet a minimum of 15 credits over the same three year period. Random CE audits are conducted by volunteers throughout the three-year term The CE Committee will consider requests to waive the requirement on a case-by-case basis. The current term is 2011-2012-2013.

The previous three-year CE reporting period was 2008-2009-2010. Thirty-one Members who were credit deficient were assessed a \$100 fine and filed sufficient credits to meet requirement. Two individuals did not respond to email, phone and mail requests and are Members Not In Good Standing. One Registered Member resigned in Good Standing. Three BCSLA Interns resigned and did not comply with the CE Policy. Revenue from the CE program will support the costs of CE programs and services.

#### **BCSLA Sponsored CE Programs**

In addition to updating the CE Monitoring Forms and Policy, the CE Committee has been working to provide CE opportunities for our Membership. A short online survey was circulated to Members in 2011. Survey results help guide the Committee in the development of programming and credit allocations

The BCSLA Public Sector Sub-Committee meets from time to time and organizes tours of projects. They discuss ideas and concerns that are unique to public sector employees. Volunteers also regularly lead CE workshops on Vancouver Island and in the BC Interior. Other volunteers work hard to offer LARE and Multiple Choice LARE workshops.

The Committee thanks Amy Tsang for her contribution to the CE Committee including serving as the CE Committee Chair. Many thanks to all the CE Committee volunteers who help make the program a success. Our Members are listed below; we welcome new members and new ideas.

Dave Thompson, Chair Katherine Dunster Nastaran Moradinejad Nancy Paul

Respectfully Submitted By: David Thompson, CE Committee Chair March 2012

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA SOCIETY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

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The Public and Professional Relations (P&PR) Committee is chaired by **Nastaran Moradinejad**, President-Elect. **Teri Cantin**, President, was instrumental in assisting on all of the Sub-Committees. In addition to liaising with the BCSLA Logo and Word Mark Working Group, the Sub-Committees include: Communications, Environment, Public Sector, and *Sitelines Newsletter* and *Sitelines Membership and Firm Roster*.

#### **Communications Sub-Committee**

Allison Good had been serving as Communications Sub-Committee Chair and stepped down in December 2011 as she was moving out of province. Her successor will be appointed at a future Board of Directors meeting.

The BCSLA staff and volunteers continue to work with Luna Design on <u>www.bcsla.org</u> and <u>www.sitelines.org</u>. We will be moving to a Contact Resource Management System for the website databases. The existing database is almost at capacity. Thank you to **Adrienne Brown, MBCSLA, FCSLA** for all of her work in developing and maintaining the Web Atlas.

The Friday File email has been an important communications tool for the BCSLA. The BCSLA office is working on changing the format of the weekly email to address technical concerns with the Internet Service Provider.

The BCSLA Facebook (FB) page continues to grow after its soft launch in the summer of 2010. We currently have over 200 "likes" and posts are tied to BCSLA's Twitter account. FB Insights show that we have "likes" from all over the world including Canada, USA, Europe and Asia. Becoming a "fan" is a fun and casual way to spread awareness of the BCSLA through social media. Visit us on FB at <a href="http://www.facebook.com/BCSocieytofLandscapeArchitects">www.facebook.com/BCSocieytofLandscapeArchitects</a> or Twitter @BCSLA. A Terms of Use–Online Policy, approved by the Board in 2011, and can be found at <a href="http://www.bcsla.org/profession/policies.asp">www.bcsla.org/profession/policies.asp</a>.

#### Logo and Wordmark Working Group

The BCSLA Board of Directors has been receiving on-going feedback about the "BC Landscape Architects (BCLA)" logo and identity of the Society since 2007. The main issues that have been identified by the Membership were: no 'S' in the logo, and no 'Society' in the wordmark, legibility and administrative concerns. The 'Planning Synergy Creativity' tagline was discontinued by a previous Board at the request of the Membership as it was felt that the tagline did not encompass all facets of the profession.

At the direction of the Members at the 2011 AGM, the Board proceeded with the Logo Competition and used an online survey to gather input from Members with a view to working with a professional graphic artist to develop the winning concept. The competition concluded and prizes were awarded. Subsequently the Board received feedback from a small delegation of Members in support of the existing brand and the process undertaken to achieve this identity.

The Board agreed to strike a new BCSLA Logo Working Group in an effort to resolve the issues and move forward. The new Group includes: Mike Teed, BCSLA Director and Chair of the Working Group, Dylan Chernoff, Kathy Dunster, Past President, Colette Parsons and Dave Thompson, Past President. The logo delegation representatives stepped away from the Working Group but they were represented at the first meeting in early March 2012.

The original "BCLA" graphic artist had been approached several years ago to make revisions to the logo and he was resistant to making changes. The Board of Directors, at the request of the delegation and in view of the funds previously expended and the time allocated to the current identity, it was agreed to ask the original contractor to submit a proposal for logo revisions. The contractor submitted a proposal and the Board agreed to engage the contractor for a portion of the proposal. The contractor is developing logo revisions for review. If the submission is acceptable to the Working Group and the Board, it was agreed to further develop the BCLA logo. If the submission is not acceptable the Board will proceed to develop a new brand using the results of the competition and survey. An updated report will be provided at the Annual General Meeting.

#### Public Sector Sub-Committee

The BCSLA Public Sector Sub Committee (PSSC) was revitalized in 2011 and 2012 after a period of inactivity by a group of public sector landscape architects.

The purpose of the PSSC is to facilitate a dialog between BCSLA Members working in the public sector and other professionals. Meetings are casual and serve as an educational and networking opportunity for Members with similar work challenges. The group also provides input to the BCSLA Board of Directors on public sector related issues. The meetings are hosted by various public sector agencies and often are centered on projects of interest to the entire group.

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#### Public Sector Sub-Committee (continued)

PSSC activities include:

- Education: Continual improvement of skill sets.
  - Relevant product knowledge through seminars and experience.
  - Sharing of professional information, technical data between agencies.
- Networking: Meeting fellow peers through meetings, events and tours.
- Communicate/Facilitate: With various other relevant groups such as BCLNA, AIBC and PIBC.
- Explore and Exchange: Information from various public sector projects.
- Advocacy: A link between BCSLA and other public sector related groups.

An extensive survey was sent out in the fall of 2011 to all BCSLA Members involved in the public sector to access the interests and needs of this group of landscape architects. The response was excellent and as a result, two meetings have occurred to date. A meeting and tour of the new VanDusen Botanical Garden Visitor Centre hosted by landscape architects Cornelia Oberlander and Ken Larsson was held on December 2011. The meeting focused on the design and construction issues of this unique project. The session was attended by more than 20 members. A second meeting highlighting the work of landscapes architects working for Metro Vancouver was held on March 7, 2012. A brief business meeting to discuss the committee and its role in the Society was also held at this meeting.

Looking to the future, the PSSC hopes to continue meeting on a regular basis 4-5 times a year with various member hosts. The Sub-Committee also looks forward to assisting the Board with any matters relation to the profession and its role in the public sector setting.

Respectfully Submitted By: Ron Myers Public Sector Sub-Committee Chair

#### Sitelines Newsletter & Annual

As the BCSLA logo has been an issue for some time it was agreed to postpone appointing a *Sitelines Editor* until the issue has been resolved. With the assistance of Sitelines Guest Editors and Jessica Tan, BCSLA Administrative Assistant, we have been producing a series of themed editions as detailed below:

| February 2011 | Urban Agriculture, Jessica Tan/Tara Culham                 |
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| April 2011    | BCSLA Annual Conference, Emily Dunlop                      |
| June 2011     | BCSLA Awards Issue, Jessica Tan/Tara Culham                |
| August 2011   | Place-Making in the Southern Interior, Ray Visser          |
| October 2011  | Living on the Edge (Vancouver Island), Gerald Fleming      |
| December 2011 | All Fired Up (UBC), Margaret Soulstein                     |
| February 2012 | Public Art, Kari Huhtala, MCIP                             |
| April 2012    | Volunteer Landscape Architects Abroad, Thomas Llewellin    |
| June 2012     | BC Landscape & Nursery Association, Lesley Tannen          |
| August 2012   | Accessibility and Landscape Architecture, Shira Standfield |

The magazine has been well received. We thank everyone for the submissions, volunteer work and advertising support. A friendly reminder that *Sitleines* is available in full-colour at <u>www.sitelines.org</u>.

The 2012 Sitelines Annual Membership and Firm Roster is at the publishers and will be circulated in May. Naylor Publications produces and circulates the Annual in exchange for the revenue earned from advertisements. This year we pushed the circulation date ahead to reduce the administrative time it takes to update the Roster at year end when so many membership changes are occurring. Many thanks to David Rose, *Sitelines Annual* Editor, for his guidance and support over the years.

P&PR Respectfully Submitted By: Tara Culham for Nastaran Moradinejad, P&PR Chair. This has been a very active year for the Advisory Design Panels (ADPs) and I am very pleased to report that the level of interest from our entire membership has exceeded past years. The landscape architects who have come forward have been very generous volunteering their time and expertise! For all the requests we received from municipalities this year we have been successful in filling all positions on time and the positive feedback on the appointments has been exceptional.

This year has seen the growth of the ADP by the addition of two new Advisory Design Panels to our list and we are pleased to have provided landscape architects to the City of Parksville and to the Squamish Nation. Going forward we would like to follow-up on a few municipalities/agencies who work "outside" of our association by encouraging them to work within our BCSLA guidelines and to have them contact us directly to advertise to our entire membership for design panel positions as they become available. Our members should be aware that when panel/committee positions being filled is for a landscape architect specifically, they are only to accept new appointments and reappointments when notices have been advertised by the association who will then submit nominations.

I believe this report gives a good overview of the Sub-Committee's activities for the previous year and extend to all members to contact me directly for suggestions and any concerns they may wish to discuss.

| Local Government                        | BCSLA Registered Landscape | Term Ending     |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------|
|   | Architect                  |                 |
| Corporation of Delta                    | Clark Kavolinas            | February, 2013  |
|   | Scott Watson               | February, 2013  |
| District of Maple Ridge                 | Chris Mramor               | December, 2013  |
|   | Al Neufeld                 | December, 2012  |
| City of Nanaimo                         | Rene Lussier               | March, 2015     |
| City of New Westminster                 | Keith Ross                 | January, 2013   |
|   | Stephen Wong               | January, 2013   |
| City of North Vancouver                 | Beryl Allen                | January, 2014   |
|   | Marlene Messer             | January, 2013   |
| District of North Vancouver             | Liane McKenna              | December, 2013  |
|   | Nastaran Moradinejad       | December, 2013  |
| City of Parksville                      | Cara MacDonald             | December, 2014  |
| Village of Pemberton                    | TBD                        |                 |
| City of Richmond                        | Joseph Fry                 | December, 2012  |
|   | Matthew Thomson            | December, 2013  |
| City of Saanich                         | Brad Forth                 | December, 2012  |
|   | Deborah LeFrank            | December, 2012  |
| District of Squamish                    | Tom Barratt                | December, 2012  |
|   | James Tuer                 | September, 2013 |
| Squamish Nation                         | Erika Mashig               | March, 2015     |
| City of Surrey                          | Derek Lee                  | July, 2013      |
|   | TBD                        |                 |
| Vancouver (1 <sup>st</sup> Shaughnessy) | Paul Sangha                | December, 2012  |
|   | Jennifer Stamp             | December, 2013  |
| City of Vancouver                       | Robert Barnes              | December, 2012  |
|   | Bruce Hemstock             | December, 2013  |
| City of Victoria                        | Bev Windjack               | June, 2012      |
| District of West Vancouver              | TBD                        |                 |
| Resort Municipality of Whistler         | Paul Dupont                | December, 2012  |
|   | Pawel Gradowski            | December, 2012  |
| UEL                                     | James Jarvis               | January, 2014   |
|   | Damon Oriente              | January, 2014   |
| UBC                                     | Margot Long                | November, 2012  |

Respectively Submitted By: Al Tanzer, ADP Sub-Committee Chair March 2012

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS 2012 Annual General Meeting Report

#### **General Insurance Products for BCSLA Members**

After a 2011 review of alternative programs, BCSLA is pleased to continue its arrangement with Mumby Insurance Brokers Inc., to provide our Members with a broad range of products. This voluntary program is an excellent part of your Member Benefits package. You can choose from the following options:

- Home, tenant, condo, rental income, and property owner's insurance underwriter is Waterloo Insurance Company. Contact Marianne Erk by telephone at (800) 446-5745 or by email at marianne@mumby.com.
- Long term disability, office insurance, extended health care and dental insurance, term life insurance, and personal accident insurance. Contact Douglas Pinnell by telephone at (800) 446-5745 or by email at douglas@mumby.com.

Professional employees such as technologists, arborists, planners, etc, working for landscape architectural firms are eligible for health and dental benefits, within the BCSLA Group Insurance program. The professional employee must work a minimum of 25 hours per week.

#### Group Liability Insurance (Errors and Omission Insurance)

Metrix Insurance Brokers Inc. and XL Insurance (underwriter), continue to provide competitively priced group liability insurance to our members and firms. There are currently 50 BCSLA landscape architects enrolled in this program.

This group policy is customized to include many features unique to landscape architecture. Premiums have remained stable for the past three years. Firms with gross fees above \$200,000 combined with five years claim-free, receive a claim fee discount. For further details, free quotes, and particulars relating to your needs, please contact Anne Lacourt or Michael Russell at Metrix Professional Insurance Brokers Inc. by mail at #1500 - 1166 Alberni Street, Vancouver, BC V6E 3Z3, by telephone at (604) 683-5583, or by email at alacourt@mpib.com or mrussell@mpib.com.

Participating firms are encouraged to enroll in a professional liability education program to increase their knowledge and awareness of liability insurance issues. Each firm that successfully completes various short programs receives a 10% discount on their premium. Metrix Insurance is pleased to report that the majority of Landscape Architectural firms participate in this program, thus increasing their knowledge on liability issues and gaining the insight and tools necessary to limit their liability.

#### **Commercial (Office) Insurance**

Metrix Insurance Brokers Inc. together with AXA Pacific Insurance Co. (underwriter),continue to offer competitively priced commercial general liability insurance packages with increased enhancements for private firms. For further information, contact Anne Lacourt or Michael Russell by telephone at (604) 683-5583 or by email at mrussell@mpib.com.

Respectfully Submitted By: Jay Lazzarin, BCSLA Insurance Representative March 2012

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA SOCIETY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS 2012 Annual General Meeting Report

The joint BCSLA/BCLNA Landscape Standard Steering Committee has met a few times in 2011 and early 2012, working on updates to existing Sections, additional Sections and plans for future new issues of the Standard.

BCSLA Steering Sub-Committee Members include Yolanda Leung, Thomas Llewellin, Pawel Gradowski and Ken McKillop.

Thank you to other BCSLA Members who volunteered to work on the Standard this year. Unfortunately due to time constraints we did not broaden out beyond the Steering Committee this year. The Sub-Committee hopes to engage more members in 2012.

The various Sections of the Standard have been put on a review cycle to distribute the effort of updates more evenly rather than having a big push every few years.

We have decided to issue the next edition formatted as a binder, so that in the future, all updates and edits will be issued as inserts to keep the binder current.

Upcoming changes to the Landscape Standard content include:

- Addition of a "critical issues checklist" in each section.
- Addition of "Mixed Seed and Growing Medium Installation" (Terra Seeding) for grass establishment.
- New resource references for hard landscape elements.
- Updates to structural soil.

I have enjoyed working with the joint committee. Once again we say thank you to the BC Landscape and Nursery Association for this successful collaboration on important issues and thank you to Tara and Jessica for your support.

Respectfully Submitted By: Ken McKillop BC Landscape Standard Sub-Committee Chair March 2012

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA SOCIETY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS 2012 Annual General Meeting Report

The British Columbia Society of Landscape Architects (BCSLA) is comprised of devoted and prized volunteers who provide stewardship, awareness and knowledge. They are elected by the general Membership to attend to Society business in accordance with our Bylaws and Standards of the Professional Conduct. The Board of Directors is comprised of the following: President, President-Elect, Past President, Registrar, Treasurer and seven Directors. There are also three non-voting Board Members: BCSLA Intern/Associate Representative, UBC Representative and Student Association Representative.

At the 2012 Annual General Meeting on April 14, 2012, **Nastaran Moradinejad** will assume the role of President and **Teri Cantin** will become Past President. **Mark van der Zalm** has tirelessly dedicated a great deal of time and energy to BCSLA and he will continue to take a lead role in the strategic planning process. We are indebted to Mark for his wisdom and his energy.

**Geoff Gooderham** has completed a second two-year term as Treasurer and will allow his name to stand for a two-year term. **Tracy Penner** has completed a two-year term as Registrar and will step down. **Frank Basciano** has allowed his name to stand as Registrar for a two-year term and will resign as a BCSLA Director with one year remaining in that term.

**Gerald Fleming, Island Chapter Chair** and **Ray Visser, Interior Chapter Chair** have completed a second two-year term on the Board and we are grateful for their service. While the BCSLA Bylaws do not specify that Director positions should be held by Regional Directors it is generally accepted that every effort should be made to identify at least one Director from the Interior of the province and at least one Director from Vancouver Island. **Theresa Cherniak** has completed a two-year term as a Director and will allow her name to stand for a one-year term.

**Allison Good** was elected as a Director for a two-year term at the 2011 AGM. Since that time she resigned from the Board as she moved out of the province. In accordance with BCSLA Bylaws as detailed below, **Jacqueline Lowe** was appointed to succeed Allison until the 2012 AGM.

#### **Board Vacancies**

- 3.38 If a Director resigns from office or otherwise ceases to hold office, the remaining Directors may elect by simple majority a Member to fill the vacancy until the next AGM.
- 3.39 A Director so-elected will hold office until the conclusion of the next following annual general meeting or a special meeting called for that purpose and is eligible for re-election at that meeting.

**Mike Teed** has one year remaining as Director. **Pawel Gradowski** has completed a second two-year term as the BC Representative to the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects and has allowed his name to stand for a two-year term.

**Maria Burdak**, Intern/Associate Representative continues to volunteer her efforts as Conference Co-Chair and her successor will be appointed after the AGM. **Patrick Mooney** serves as the UBC Landscape Architecture Program Representative. **Margaret Soulstein** is the Student Representative. All serve on the Board as non-voting Members.

Please see the next page for details on all of the vacancies on the Board of Directors, Committees and Sub-Committees.

#### **BCSLA Board of Directors Vacancies**

Detailed below are the Board of Director vacancies and the names of nominees. We are grateful to have so many Members come forward to volunteer their time and energy. Thank you for allowing your names to stand.

| POSITION   | Nominee #1           | Nominee #2   | Nominee #3   |
|--|----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| President-Elect  | Open                 | Open         | Open         |
| Treasurer (two-year term)                                    | Geoff Gooderham      | Open         | Open         |
| Registrar (two-year term)                                    | Frank Basciano       | Open         | Open         |
| Director 1 (two-year term)<br>(Interior Chapter - suggested) | Elisabeth Balderston | Keith Nyhoff | Open         |
| Director 2 (two-year term)<br>(Island Chapter - suggested)   | Open                 | Open         | Open         |
| Director 3 (two-year term)                                   | Jacqueline Lowe      | Open         | Open         |
| Director 4 & 5 (one-year term)                               | Theresa Cherniak     | Judy Stoyko  | Daryl Tyacke |
| CSLA Rep. (one year term)                                    | Pawel Gradowski      | Open         | Open         |

Additional applications and / or nominations should be submitted to Mark van der Zalm, Nominations Committee Chair, in care of the BCSLA office until **April 5, 2012.** Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the AGM. If necessary, elections will take place at the AGM from the list of Members who have put their names forward or who are nominated. Please contact the BCSLA office for more information.

#### BCSLA Committees & Sub-Committees

The six BCSLA Core Committees are

- a) Bylaws & Standards Committee
- b) Continuing Education Committee
- c) Credentials Committee
- d) Finance Committee
- e) Nominations Committee
- f) Public & Professional Relations Committee

Several Sub-Committees report to the Chair of the Core Committee. There are several openings for volunteers and now is an excellent time to put your name forward for consideration for appointment by the 2012/2013 BCSLA Board of Directors:

- a) Advisory Design Panel Sub-Committee: Al Tanzer has served as chair for several years and will allow his name to stand for another term.
- b) BCSLA Environment Sub-Committee: This group has not been active this year
- c) **Communications Sub-Committee:** Volunteers and staff are working on *Sitelines, Sitelines Annual,* the BCSLA websites, BCSLA logo, social media and the communications strategy.
- d) **BCSLA Landscape Schedules:** the Schedules require updating and a volunteer must be identified to lead this initiative.
- e) **BCSLA Public Sector Sub-Committee:** the newly invigorated PSSC has been led by **Ron Myers.** Volunteers are welcome to succeed / assist Ron on this important group.

Thank you all for your service to the Society on behalf of the Members.

Respectfully Submitted By: Tara Culham for Mark van der Zalm, Nominations Committee Chair March 2012

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## British Columbia

### 2012 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING PACKAGE Saturday, April 14, 2012

Pinnacle Ballroom, Pinnacle Hotel at the Pier  $2^{nd}$  Floor, 138 Victory Ship Way, North Vancouver, BC

#### This package includes:

| 1. | Notice of the 2012 BCSLA Annual General Mee | ting |
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- 2. Notice of the 2012 AGM Agenda
- 3. 2011 Annual General Meeting Draft Minutes
- 4. Directors and Officers Reports
- 5. 2012 BCSLA Budget
- 6. Committee & Sub-Committee Reports
- 7. Call For Nominations

# NOTES