

2011 BCSLA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, May 14, 2011



Fitness Deck at the Pinnacle Hotel - Image Courtesy of the Pinnacle Hotel at the Pier

Registration - 1:30 PM

AGM – 2:00 PM

**Pinnacle Ballroom, 2nd Floor Pinnacle Hotel at the Pier
135 Victory Ship Way, North Vancouver, BC**



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

NOTICE OF THE 2011 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

TAKE NOTICE THAT THE 2011 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 **Saturday, May 14, 2011 at 2:00 pm** for the following purposes:

1. To receive and approve the following:
 - a) Financial statements of the Society for 2010 and
 - b) Reports of the Directors and Committees to the Members for 2010
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 April 2011

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Mark van der Zalm, President



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| 1) | Welcome & Introductions, Mark van der Zalm/Eli Mina | 2:00 pm |
| 2) | Declaration of Quorum, Tracy Penner | 2:10 pm |
| 3) | Approval of the Agenda, Mark van der Zalm | 2:15 pm |
| 4) | Adoption of Draft 2010 AGM Minutes, Mark van der Zalm | 2:20 pm |
| 5) | Officers Reports* | 2:30 pm |
| | a) President's Report, Mark van der Zalm | |
| | i) Focus Group Workshop Results & Recommendations | |
| | b) Treasurer's Report, Geoff Gooderham | |
| | i) 2010 Audit, Mahmoud Virani | |
| | ii) Appointment of the Auditors | |
| | iii) 2011 Budget | |
| | iv) Strata Titled Office | |
| | c) Registrar's Report, Tracy Penner | |
| 6) | Directors Reports* | 3:00 pm |
| 7) | Committee Reports* | 3:15 pm |
| 8) | Election of Officers and Directors, Kathy Dunster/Tracy Penner | 3:30 pm |
| | a) President Elect | |
| | b) Directors (3) | |
| 9) | New Business | 3:45 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.*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Executive: Kathy Dunster, President and Chair; Dave Thompson, Past President; Mark van der Zalm President-Elect; Geoff Gooderham, Treasurer and Andrew Robertson, Registrar. Tara Culham was Recording Secretary

Directors: Cecilia Achiam, Dylan Chernoff, Allison Good, Gerald Fleming, Amy Tsang, Ray Visser and Pawel Gradowski, CSLA Board of Governors Representative.

Non-Voting Directors: Emily Dunlop, Intern/Associate Representative Cynthia Girling, UBC Representative.

Meeting Facilitator: Eli Mina, Professional Registered Parliamentarian, Eli Mina Consulting

Guest: Mahmoud Virani, Auditor, Mahmoud Virani Inc. (2:00 pm to 3:00 pm)

1) Welcome & Introductions, Kathy Dunster: Kathy called the meeting to order at 2:50 pm and thanked everyone for coming. The Board of Directors introduced themselves. Kathy introduced Eli Mina, Professional Registered Parliamentarian, and Mahmoud Virani, BCSLA Auditor. She noted that Cornelia Hahn Oberlander, Clive Justice, and Don Vaughan BCSLA Life Members were present.

Kathy introduced Ian Wasson, MBCSLA and CLARB President Elect, who served as BCSLA Registrar for four years. Ian provided a brief overview of the Registrar position. A nominee for Registrar had not been identified and he encouraged Members to consider allowing their name to stand as Registrar and outlined the benefits of the position.

Andrew reported that in compliance with our Bylaws, the AGM Notice, Special Resolution Notice and all other documents were circulated on March 23, 2010 four weeks in advance of this meeting. The AGM package was also available online and from the BCSLA office. The package was made available at the front door along with the audited financial statements

2) Declaration of Quorum, Andrew Robertson. It was reported BCSLA Bylaws require that a quorum of twenty (20) voting Members be present. It was agreed by consensus that a quorum was present.

3) Approval of the Agenda, Kathy Dunster:

MOTION #1: It was moved and seconded that the Agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

4) Adoption of 2009 AGM Minutes, Kathy Dunster: Kathy noted that the third paragraph be deleted.

MOTION #2: It was moved and seconded to adopt the 2009 AGM Minutes as amended.

CARRIED

5) Officers Reports:

a) President's Report, Kathy Dunster: Kathy noted that her written report was included in the AGM package. She thanked volunteers for their hard work.

b) Treasurer's Report, Geoff Gooderham: The 2009 budget was conservative due to the global economic climate. Geoff noted that funds were directed to the building and emergency funds. A scholarship in the name of Phil Tattersfield has been established but the funds will not be spent until 2010 as the current academic year had been completed. He noted that Mahmoud was present to answer any questions regarding the Society finances.

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

CARRIED

Eli and Mahmoud have advised that in accordance with BCSLA Bylaws the budget can be approved by the Board of Directors before the AGM. It was noted that all Board meetings are open to Members. The 2010 budget was reviewed in detail with questions from the floor.

MOTION #4: It was moved and seconded to appoint Mahmoud Virani Inc as the BCSLA auditor for 2010. **CARRIED**

c) Registrar's Report, Andrew Robertson: The report was circulated with the AGM package and there were no further questions or comments.

6) Directors Reports: Kathy reported that the Directors Reports were circulated in the AGM Package and she invited questions. There were no questions.

7) Committee Reports: The written reports were circulated in the AGM package. There were no questions.

a) Continuing Education (CE) Committee: Kathy reported that the Nancy Paul and all of the CE Committee work hard on programming and tracking credits. Committee Members led CE Enforcement Presentation to encourage Members to submit their CE Credits in a timely fashion. The current three-year term 2008-2009-2010 will end December 31.

b) Public and Professional Relations (PPR) Committee: Allison Good provided an update on the Logo/Wordmark Working Group. She noted that the Board of Directors has voted to insert the letter "S" and the word "Society" back in to the marketing name for the Society. The Board agreed that the tag line did not reflect the breath of the profession and it was discontinued. The Working Group will review options and consult the membership during the logo selection process.

c) Bylaws: Kathy provided an overview of the labour mobility requirements under federal and provincial legislation. There was an information booth at the Conference. BCSLA will continue discussions with AALA and OALA. A special meeting will be held to address membership categories once the title act legislation is passed in Alberta.

MOTION #5: It was moved and seconded to adopt the AGM Reports as presented.

CARRIED

BEGINNING of the SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

8) Special Resolution #1: Proposed 2011 Member Dues: Geoff and Andrew reviewed Special Resolution #1 in detail.

Discussion: At the 2006 Annual General Meeting the membership authorized an annual 5% increase in membership dues. At the time the BCSLA was struggling to maintain a basic level of service after many years of no or very low dues increases. The annual dues were discussed in detail at the AGM and the Members voted as follows:

That the BCSLA Membership agreed to approve that the annual dues increase of 5% (before taxes) across all categories every year rounding up to the nearest dollar at the 2006 Annual General Meeting.

CARRIED

The Membership directed that the funds cover several initiatives including, but not limited to: increased advocacy on behalf of the Members, part-time clerical support, development of a communications/public outreach strategy and increased resources that are allocated to the Emergency Fund.

Summary

Today the board is able to maintain a good level of service and to undertake strategic investments in the growth and development of the profession. The need to continue the annual 5% increase may be at an end. In addition the Board of Directors recognizes that the implementation of the HST will have a significant impact on membership dues. Consequently the Board is recommending

Special Resolution#1: That the BCSLA Membership agrees to approve an annual increase in dues equal to the annual rate of inflation, based on the Consumer Price Index, across all categories every year, rounding up to the nearest dollar.

It was moved and seconded to adopt the Special Resolution as presented.

PASSED

There was more than a 75% agreement.

Special Resolution 2: Rescinding of 2009 Bylaw Amendment: Discussion followed on the process to change the bylaws to address labour mobility. Several Members volunteered to assist on the Bylaw Committee. Kathy encouraged Members to come forward to volunteer their time on these important issues.

Background

At the 2009 Annual General Meeting two Special Resolutions were put forward to the membership for review and discussion. Please see the draft 2009 AGM Minutes in this package to review the Special Resolutions in full. One Special Resolution was tabled was not subsequently taken up by the 2009 annual meeting, and was therefore deemed to have been dropped. The Special Resolution that was adopted was:

"That the BCSLA Membership agrees to adopt the 2009 Proposed Bylaw Changes Society Designations and Duties as amended."

CARRIED

Special Resolution #2 (continued)

Since that time, many Members expressed concerns about the marketing name BC Landscape Architects (BCLA) for the Society as opposed to BC Society of Landscape Architects (BCSLA). At the October 27, 2009 meeting, the Board of Directors voted to re-insert the "S" and the word "Society" into the logo/wordmark.

The BCSLA is also working with the Alberta Association of Landscape Architects and the Ontario Association of Landscape Architects to align membership categories in order to comply with the Agreement on Internal Trade (AIT) and the Trade Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement between the governments of BC and Alberta.

Summary

Bylaw amendments require due process and attention to detail. To allow the BCSLA sufficient time to address the issue and to enable further discussion with both Alberta and Ontario, the Bylaw Review Committee will continue to work after the 2010 AGM. The BCSLA will hold a Special General Meeting later in the year to have the membership review and vote on proposed Bylaw revisions and provide input. We are confident that we can arrive at a clear, simple solution that will maintain the high professional standard we have established, while accommodating new members, and growing the profession through improved reciprocity and membership standards across Canada.

After a consultation process with the membership on January 16, 2010, and in consultation with Eli Mina, Registered Parliamentarian, it was agreed to recommend that the Special Resolution #1 from the 2009 AGM be rescinded. At the January 25, 2010 Board of Directors meeting it was agreed to ask the Membership to withdraw the 2009 Special Resolution.

Special Resolution #2

WHEREAS the Society is reviewing the Bylaws with a view to complying with labour mobility legislation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT as Special Resolution #2 (2010) that the Special Resolution #1 that was adopted April 4, 2009 AGM of the BCSLA be rescinded and that the Bylaws as they stood on March 31, 2009 be thereby reinstated. **PASSED**

The decision was unanimous.

END of the SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

9) Elections, Dave Thompson, Andrew Robertson and Eli Mina: Mark van der Zalm will assume the role of President, Katherine Dunster will become Past President. The floor was opened to nominations for President Elect, Treasurer, Registrar, CSLA Representative and three Directors.

President Elect: Teri Cantin has allowed her name to stand as President Elect. Dave asked three times for nominations for President Elect. *Teri Cantin was acclaimed as President Elect.*

Treasurer: Geoff Gooderham has allowed his name to stand for a second two-year term as President. Dave asked three times for nominations for Treasurer. *Geoff Gooderham was acclaimed as Treasurer..*

Registrar: There is one opening for the position of Registrar. Dave asked three times for nominations for the Registrar. *Tracy Penner allowed her name to stand and she was acclaimed as Registrar.*

CSLA Representative: Pawel Gradowski has allowed his name to stand for a second two-year term as the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects Representative. Dave asked three times for nominations for CSLA Representative. *Pawel Gradowski was acclaimed as CSLA Representative.*

Directors: Gerald Fleming and Ray Visser will allow their names to stand for a second two-year term. Gerald has served as the Vancouver Island Chapter Chair. Ray has been the BC Interior Chapter Chair. Beryl Allen, Theresa Cherniak, Nastaran Moradinejad and Steve Wong have also allowed their name to stand as Directors. Dave called for nominations from the floor for Directors three times. There were no further nominations. Each candidate provided a brief summary of their experience and explained why they would like to serve on the Board. The Members were asked to add Theresa Cherniak's name to the ballot as she was added to the slate after press time.

Elections (continued)

The ballot box was demonstrated to be empty. The ballots were counted by Emily Dunlop, Liz Nguyen and Eli Mina.

Theresa Cherniak, Gerald Fleming and Ray Visser were elected for a two-year term as Directors.

MOTION #6: It was moved and seconded to destroy the ballots.

CARRIED

Kathy thanked the candidates for allowing their name to stand and the volunteer scrutineers.

Announcements: While the ballots were being counted Kathy announced that the following:

- a) CSLA AGM will be in Edmonton in August. Liane McKenna has allowed her name to stand as CSLA President Elect. The 2011 CSLA Conference is in Iqaluit, NU.
- b) The Cities Alive Conference will be held in November 2010 in Vancouver.
- c) An exhibit featuring hand drawn and computer renderings by BCSLA Members will be held in November at the Pendulum Gallery. The Annual Festive Party will be held during the exhibition.
- d) Several BC municipalities have proclaimed today as "Landscape Architecture Day".
- e) Kathy recognized Dave Thompson and thanked him for coming forward for a second term as Past President when Blair Guppy moved to New York.
- f) The Sitelines Editorial Board is reviewing the format with a view to improving the quality of the Sitelines. It has been a good publication thanks to the dedication of many Editors past and present.
- g) Jay Lazzarin was recognized for his work on insurance issues for the membership.
- h) Jessica Tan, BCSLA Administrative Assistant, was introduced. She has been working hard on the day to day operation of the Society and member services.

Kathy thanked the Board for their dedication. She turned the meeting and the BCSLA Talking Stick over to Mark van der Zalm, President. She thanked Jane Durante and Peter Kreuk for designing and paying for the stand and to Doug Paterson for paying for the talking stick. Mark thanked Kathy and assumed the Chair.

10) New Business, Mark van der Zalm: Mark thanked the Board and Committee Members who devote their time and lend their talents to BCSLA on behalf of the Members. He noted that Emily Dunlop worked very hard to make the conference the success it was and thanked her for her dedication. Margot Long thanked the office staff for their hard work. There was no further new business.

11) ADJOURNMENT, Mark van der Zalm

MOTION #7: It was moved, seconded to adjourn the 2010 BCSLA AGM.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Since becoming president at last year's AGM I have certainly been educated in the many wonderful people we have as Members in BCSLA, and the extensive initiatives undertaken by a volunteer organization on behalf of practitioners all over the province and beyond. It is a testament to the men and women who make up the BCSLA, that our organization is held in such high esteem by our peers and component organizations within CSLA nationwide. I have had the privilege of representing our Members at national events, conference calls, and meetings over the past 12 months and I have been genuinely impressed by the recognition BCSLA garners as leaders of the profession within Canada.

This year we have bolstered our ranks with 28 new Members admitted in the Spring and Fall sittings of the Board of Examiners. This added "grey-matter", is needed and warmly welcomed as BCSLA moves into another decade of practice. Over the years, I have been consistently reminded by colleagues that our profession is both misunderstood and largely unappreciated by the general public and some of our allied professions. As we move into an era with more ardent focus on sustainable landscapes, place-making, and integrated design, it is quite possibly the best time for landscape architects to bolster our position as leaders, as innovators, and as collaborators. BCSLA has taken a strong leadership position and is working hard to get the message out to both our allied professions and component organizations within the CSLA.

In August, the Board of Directors convened the monthly Board meeting in Kelowna. This provided an excellent opportunity for regional 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 on the Kelowna waterfront. The Board of Directors will travel to Vancouver Island in September for a similar session.

In November, BCSLA hosted the Drawing on the Land Exhibit at the Pendulum Gallery, in Vancouver. Curated by **Daniel Roehr, Dylan Chernoff, Larry Diamond, Kathy Dunster, and Heather Braun**, this exhibit was a focal point for our Festive Season Gathering and was lauded by our guests and enjoyed by Members. The Exhibit was such a success that it was displayed at the AIBC gallery in Gastown from January through March of this year. In the Spring, the Exhibit will go "on the road", with stops in Kamloops and again next Fall, in Saanich on Vancouver Island.

Throughout this past year BCSLA has been reaching out to the BC Landscape and Nursery Association (BCLNA) as partners and friends in the execution of successful landscapes. Beginning last summer, I have been meeting with Lesley Tannen, Executive Director of the BCLNA on regular intervals, culminating with a shared Board of Directors meeting in February. Our partnership is important with many significant initiatives and mutual interests. Some of these shared interests include: advancement and promotion of the BC Landscape Standard and the BC Standard for Extensive Green Roofs, invasive species eradication, and landscape trade certification to name but a few. Future initiatives include revising the BC Landscape Standard and BC Standard for Extensive Green Roofs companion document, as well as establishing a consistent protocol for soil testing and certification of producers.

Labour mobility continues to be a significant task for the BCSLA to resolve in the coming months. The hard work undertaken by our Executive Administrator, Tara Culham and Past President, Dr. Kathy Dunster, has been rewarded by news that the federal government will be funding a grant to assist the BCSLA in leading the national effort on labour mobility for landscape architects in Canada. BC will be front and centre as Ontario, Alberta, and other allied provinces strive to harmonize standards, membership categories, and procedures for evaluation of applicants. This is a coup for BCSLA, as we work for the benefit of landscape architects in our province and beyond our boundaries. Our work will inform the CSLA process and policy for reciprocity.

As we look ahead, it is tantamount to our professional organization that a clear strategic outline is established for the incoming Board of Directors and future executives. A process has been started to engage representative Members of the BCSLA from all over the province to establish a strategic plan and outline for priorities over the next five to ten years. I have solicited input from the Board of Directors in establishing a focus group of practitioners, students, educators, retired-members, and interns from varied

geographic locations around the province. This group has provided valuable input on the necessary strategic priorities for the BCSLA moving forward.

In a facilitated workshop held in April of this year, Members were asked for their input on top priorities, areas of weakness, areas of strength, and desired areas of improvement. As a volunteer organization, we must work within the limits of our own Members who generously give of their time and talent to push us forward and make us better as a whole. I encourage all Members to review the results of this strategic planning session, and provide your own input on where the BCSLA should direct our energies in the future. For those Members considering a spot on the Board of Directors, or on one of the many Sub-Committees, I encourage you to do so. With so many smart and energetic Members, we can work together to achieve the tasks outlined in our strategic priorities.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Mark van der Zalm
President
March 2011

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 2010, the BCSLA welcomed 28 new Registered Landscape Architects, 17 Interns, and one Associate. In addition, BCSLA also added four Affiliates and several new Students to the roster. Thank you very much to **Kathy Dunster, Al Neufeld, Damon Oriente, Judith Reeve, David Thompson,** 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 147 over the past ten years. Some Members have retired while others have reactivated their status or have become Inactive for a variety of reasons.

Membership (as of March 15, 2011)

Registered Landscape Architect	273 (includes 6 Life Members)
Inactive Landscape Architect	36
Retired Landscape Architect	11
Landscape Architect	6
Intern	118
Associate	15
Students	16
Affiliate	39
TOTAL	514

Delinquent Dues

Our dues cover membership services, promotion and event organization, Continuing Education, communications 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 described in our By-law 2.45, Members who fail to pay dues within 60 days of notification shall cease to be a member of the Society.

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 Board of Examiners is comprised of **John Bass, Kathy Dunster, Cynthia Girling,** Anthony Puddicombe, and Mark **van der Zalm,** as well, **James Tuer,** MBCSLA, MAIBC, MRAIC, and **Teri Cantin,** MBCSLA (Inactive) who generously volunteers their time as required. Tracy Penner, Registrar, participates at the oral exams as an Observer. We are looking to identify a person to represent the public interest. John Bass, Cynthia Girling, and Anthony Puddicombe have completed their terms and BCSLA will be putting forth nominees to succeed them in compliance with our Act.

Complaints

One complaint regarding a Member was set aside as the Member was found not to be at fault. An issue concerning the use of another's work was also addressed. Another complaint regarding the peer review of a registered Member's work by a non-registered Member has been resolved. A complaint is under review at press time.

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 discover any misuse of title.

Labour Mobility

The Government of Canada Labour Mobility Department is reviewing an application for funding to support the BCSLA Pathway to Labour Mobility initiative. 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 CSLA components to use as guidelines for labour mobility across Canada.

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Registrar's Report

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, was elected as the first Canadian CLARB President in August 2010. Tara Culham represents Region V on the Member Board Executive Committee.

The CLARB Board of Directors and Member Boards are discussing proposed changes to the Landscape Architectural Registration Exams (LARE) after a review of the results of the 2011 Task Analysis. Member Boards are discussing its impact on the content of the LARE and how best to administer that content to create a relevant and defensible exam. BCSLA Members will be updated regularly on the progress of the discussions.

2010 LARE – BC Results (Pass Rates)

	A	B	C	D	E
March 2010	64%	84%		80%	
June 2010			88%		44%
September 2010	87%	60%		40%	
December 2010			92%		59%

2010 LARE- International Results (Pass Rates)

	A	B	C	D	E
March 2010	70%	75%		64%	
June 2010			58%		37%
September 2010	81%	68%		51%	
December 2010			70%		50%

In Memoriam

John C. Laird, FCSLA, NUALA, MBCSLA

John Laird, President of the Nunavut Association of Landscape Architects and a BCSLA Member, passed away on September 2, 2010. John graduated in 1976 with a Bachelor of Landscape Architecture from the University of Guelph, followed by work in Ontario and British Columbia. In 1986, John moved north and began his extensive work in the Northwest Territories and Nunavut. In 2002, he founded the Nunavut Association of Landscape Architects, for which he served as President. In 2009, John was inducted to the College of Fellows of the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects in recognition of his contribution to, and advancement of, the profession of Landscape Architecture in Canada "north of 60", and especially in Nunavut. John was an avid dog sled owner, and played the fiddle and bagpipes for the enjoyment of Iqaluit residents at many public events. John leaves behind his wife, Shannon Hessian, son Jonah, and his many friends in Nunavut and other parts of Canada.

David Lam, BCSLA Honourary Member

David Lam, Canada's first Asian-Canadian lieutenant-governor, passed away at age 87 in November 2010. Lam was a banker who emigrated from Hong Kong to Vancouver in 1967 with his family, where he began a thriving career in real estate. Lam was known for his philanthropy and was a driving force behind Vancouver's Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden and dragon boat festival.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Tracy Penner
Registrar
March 2011

In spite of the continuing difficult economic environment, BCSLA finances are in good order. Both revenue and expenses were lower than forecast but the budget remained balanced with a very slight surplus of revenue over expenses. Please note however, that at the time this report was being prepared, the annual audit process was about to proceed. The audited statements that will be circulated at the Annual General Meeting will differ slightly, as revenue and expenses received after December 31, 2010 were not included in this report.

2010 Revenue

Revenue from Member dues was slightly lower than forecast, but the Membership numbers remain steady. The BCSLA Annual Conference returned a slight profit of approximately \$15,000 as a result of support from our exhibitors and program supporters.

2010 Expenses

Most of the 2010 budget line items were within their allotted budget. The Board of Directors took on several initiatives such as the Drawing on the Land Exhibition, a Board meeting in Kelowna, changes to the job description and responsibilities for office employees and other projects that resulted in some budget line items going over the forecast. The budget for development for a new logo, legal fees, and bylaw revisions was not used. In 2010, we continued to invest funds in the Building and Emergency Funds. Funds were expended to purchase new computers, software, and upgrade the phone systems as they had not been upgraded in more than five years.

BCSLA Office Space

The Planning Institute of BC (PIBC) outgrew the shared office space with BCSLA. BCSLA and PIBC joined forces with the Real Estate Institute of BC (REIBC) in seeking out shared office space for the three organizations. PIBC and REIBC proposed moving in to a shared space in the same building at a significantly greater cost. The proposed BCSLA portion of the shared rent and operating expenses proved to be several thousand dollars more than if we remained in the existing office space. If the office moved, BCSLA would have incurred additional expenses such as the purchase of new office furniture and the logistical costs of moving. The BCSLA negotiated lease at the existing base rental rate plus operating expenses to November 30, 2015. The property management company is considering renovations to the existing office space that would result in reducing the office size. The current storage space would be lost, but the office rent would be reduced. As sole tenant, BCSLA assumes the full cost of office insurance, photocopier, and phone/internet fees that were previously shared with PIBC.

In the months leading up to the 2000 BCSLA AGM, the Office Space Sub-Committee developed detailed search criteria and reviewed a number of potential new office space locations. At the AGM, the Office Space Sub-Committee made a comprehensive presentation to the Membership which enabled us to receive support and approval for funds to proceed with the purchase of a new office space for the BCSLA. At that time, a motion was approved stating:

"That the BCSLA hereby approve the expenditure of up to \$25,000 from the Investment Operating account #930022847 at the Royal Bank, 685 West Hastings Street, Vancouver BC and apply it towards a maximum 30% down payment on a strata titled business office, not to exceed \$85,000 in total cost, and that the balance of the financing will be arranged through a mortgage to the BCSLA for which all ongoing costs will be paid from the annual operating budget, and that prior to purchase of a new office space, a business plan will be circulated to the membership for review."

The Sub-Committee, comprised of **Adrienne Brown**, **Barry Potvin**, and Tara Culham, investigated several properties, but it was decided not to purchase office space until additional funds were in place for a down payment. Since that time, economic uncertainty and the fluctuating real estate market precluded further discussion on buying an office space. Currently, there is approximately \$51,500 in two dedicated Building Fund Term Deposits that earn a modest interest. The five-year office lease provides for stability in office space expenses while the proposed purchase of a strata titled office is reviewed. The new Board of Directors will seek direction from the Members on whether or not to continue to pursue the purchase of an office space or to allocate the funding elsewhere. No funds have been allocated to the Building Fund in 2011.

2011 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 2011 budget. The Board intends to proceed with initiatives such as: labour mobility initiatives, increased advocacy, strategic planning, outreach to the public, and other priorities.

The BCSLA Pathway to Labour Mobility funding application has been under review by the government for some time. BC has taken the lead on this initiative as we have a successful funding history with the provincial and federal governments and as a regulatory body. 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 grant would help defray increased operational costs such as office rent, equipment, and staff. However, pending actual receipt of the grant funds, the 2011 budget has been prepared to show a balanced budget without this additional revenue. The role and work load of the BCSLA office staff continues to increase. In order to properly serve the Membership, it has become necessary to provide additional staff time. This is reflected in the increase in budget resources in this year's budget forecast.

The 2011 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 2010 or increased as required based on our experience in 2010. Increased funds have been allocated to the Vancouver Island Chapter budget as the Board of Directors has plans to hold a series of meetings and events in Victoria in September 2011. We will continue to make contributions to the Emergency Fund. The 2011 Annual Conference, Showcase, and Program Sponsorship revenue is anticipated to be \$30,000. The generous support from our sponsors at the Annual Conference is the largest source of revenue outside of annual dues.

In 2010, the Board of Directors recommended that the Membership approve a Special Resolution to reduce the annual membership dues increase from the current 5% to a rate equal to the annual rate of inflation. The new membership dues structure began in 2011 and dues were increased 2% in line with the Bank of Canada Consumer Price Index (see <http://www.bank-banque-canada.ca/en/index.html>).

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 2011

BC Society of Landscape Architects

2011 Budget Forecast

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	2011 Forecast	Actual 01/01/10 to 12/31/10	Budget 01/01/10 to 12/31/10
REVENUE			
Membership Registered	208,600.00	188,945.94	189,800.00
Membership Non-Registered	5,300.00	4,389.60	5,840.00
Membership Intern	24,000.00	28,194.73	27,000.00
Membership: Associate	2,550.00	2,215.40	2,500.00
Membership Student	500.00	669.85	400.00
Membership Inactive	3,600.00	1,108.46	3,500.00
Membership Retired	1,000.00	196.24	800.00
Membership Affiliate	10,000.00	8,730.70	10,560.00
MEMBERSHIP INCOME TOTAL	255,550.00	234,450.92	240,400.00
Lare Administration Fee	5,000.00	4,895.00	5,000.00
Lare Applications	200.00	240.00	150.00
LARE INCOME TOTAL	5,200.00	5,135.00	5,150.00
Other: Firm Project Signs	100.00	0.00	100.00
Other: Sitelines	22,000.00	22,040.60	22,000.00
Other: sitelines.org	100.00	0.00	100.00
Other: Landscape Standard	5,000.00	5,206.91	3,000.00
Other: Term Deposit Bank Interest	5,000.00	5,303.59	9,000.00
Other: Interest	100.00	113.30	100.00
Other: Admin. Expenses Recovery	2,000.00	678.40	500.00
Other: Late Pmt Fee, Admin. Fee	1,300.00	1,328.82	1,000.00
Van City Dividends	5.00	0.00	5.00
Other: Miscellaneous	4,000.00	3,858.01	1,000.00
OTHER INCOME TOTAL	39,605.00	38,529.63	36,805.00
Conference 2011: Registration	30,000.00	27,492.71	55,000.00
Conference 2011: Exhibitors	30,000.00	23,349.40	35,000.00
Conference 2011: Program Sponsors	25,000.00	22,992.00	40,000.00
Conference 2011: CE W/S	1,000.00	858.75	0.00
Conference 2011 TOTAL	86,000.00	74,692.86	130,000.00
CE Courses	1,000.00	515.00	3,000.00
Labour Mobility Grant	5,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
New Member Book	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Amort. of Deferred Contributions	0.00	0.00	0.00
COURSES, GRANTS TOTAL	7,500.00	3,515.00	6,000.00
REVENUE TOTAL	393,855.00	356,323.41	418,355.00
TOTAL REVENUE	393,855.00	356,323.41	418,355.00

BC Society of Landscape Architects

2011 Budget Forecast (January 25, 2011)

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EXPENSES	2011 Forecast	Actual 01/01/10 to 12/31/10	Budget 01/01/10 to 12/31/10
Membership - Profes. Development	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Membership - Landscape Standard	1,000.00	1,297.91	3,000.00
Membership - Sitelines	27,000.00	26,821.37	22,000.00
Membership - Committee Expenses	3,000.00	2,263.25	3,000.00
Membership: Social Events	10,000.00	8,376.12	10,000.00
Membership: Firm Project Signs	100.00	0.00	100.00
Membership: Interior Chapter	2,500.00	288.44	2,500.00
Membership: Island Chapter	10,000.00	1,080.29	2,500.00
Membership: Community Outreach	3,000.00	2,170.72	5,000.00
Membership: BCSLA Logo	3,000.00	1,442.79	7,000.00
MEMBERSHIP EXPENSES TOTAL	61,600.00	43,740.89	57,100.00
Admin - Executive Administrator	60,000.00	57,787.89	58,000.00
Admin - Employee Benefits & WCB	2,600.00	2,297.29	1,700.00
Admin - EI Expense	2,000.00	1,519.13	1,500.00
Admin - CPP Expense	3,300.00	3,159.00	2,500.00
Admin - Admin. Asst.	28,000.00	19,523.14	15,000.00
Admin - Accounting/Audit	10,000.00	10,268.24	10,000.00
Admin - Office Rent	20,000.00	10,219.49	12,000.00
Admin - Locker Rent	800.00	0.00	0.00
Admin - Telephone & Fax	3,000.00	2,470.26	2,500.00
Admin - Internet/E-Mail	1,500.00	1,429.08	700.00
Admin - WEB Host	1,500.00	1,515.40	2,000.00
Admin - Office Supplies	2,500.00	2,173.15	2,500.00
Admin - Postage	2,500.00	2,211.75	5,155.00
Admin - Photocopies	0.00	22.90	100.00
Admin - Couriers	500.00	492.59	500.00
Admin - Bank & VISA Charges	1,300.00	1,369.99	1,200.00
Admin - Leasing (Photocopier)	2,400.00	1,234.54	2,500.00
Admin - Leasing (Postage Machine)	1,000.00	1,019.62	1,000.00
Admin - Legal	10,000.00	2,966.57	10,000.00
Admin - Bylaw Revisions	5,000.00	3,492.95	7,000.00
Admin - Office Insurance	1,000.00	965.08	1,400.00
Admin - Board Expenses	8,000.00	7,973.64	7,000.00
Admin - Registrar	1,000.00	126.08	1,000.00
Admin - Directors' Insurance	1,400.00	1,142.00	1,400.00
Admin - Amortization	100.00	0.00	500.00
Admin - Miscellaneous	300.00	2.00	300.00
ADMIN. EXPENSES TOTAL	169,700.00	135,381.78	147,455.00
Marketing - Advertising & Promotion	500.00	(1,347.73)	0.00
Marketing - New Member Recognition	0.00	0.00	100.00
Marketing - Community Awards	300.00	0.00	300.00
Sitelines.org Website	3,000.00	4,609.10	5,000.00
Web Atlas	2,000.00	0.00	0.00
MARKETING EXPENSES TOTAL	5,800.00	3,261.37	5,400.00

EXPENSES - CONTINUED	2011 Forecast	Actual 01/01/10 to 12/31/10	Budget 01/01/10 to 12/31/10
CSLA - Landscapes Publication	2,000.00	6,240.00	7,000.00
CSLA-Juror Award Meeting	4,000.00	2,630.71	4,000.00
CSLA- Board Meetings	6,000.00	4,359.07	4,500.00
CSLA - Member Dues	39,500.00	34,973.30	40,000.00
CSLA EXPENSE TOTAL	51,500.00	48,203.08	55,500.00
CLARB- Membership Dues	5,200.00	5,249.25	6,000.00
CLARB - Meetings	8,500.00	7,869.71	8,500.00
CLARB - Courier	300.00	292.95	800.00
CLARB - Miscellaneous	100.00	(2.06)	300.00
CLARB EXPENSES TOTAL	14,100.00	13,409.85	15,600.00
Registration - Board of Examiners	500.00	572.80	500.00
Scholarship - Philip Tattersfield	500.00	0.00	500.00
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	1,819.54	1,500.00
Registration - Miscellaneous	300.00	600.00	0.00
Registration - Scholarships/Books	1,500.00	1,679.08	1,500.00
REGISTRATION EXPENSES TOTAL	6,100.00	6,171.42	5,500.00
UBC Book Program	500.00	500.00	500.00
UBC BOOK PROGRAM TOTAL	500.00	500.00	500.00
CE - On-Line WEB Section	3,000.00	3,288.53	3,000.00
CE - Courses	7,000.00	7,980.55	10,000.00
LARE Workshops	1,500.00	1,421.61	3,000.00
LARE Admin. Venue	1,400.00	1,384.50	3,000.00
Communication Sub-Committee	3,000.00	12,145.40	7,000.00
2010 BCSLA Drawing Exhibition	500.00	7,450.94	0.00
CONTINUING EDUCATION - TOTAL	16,400.00	33,671.53	26,000.00
AGM & Conference	60,000.00	59,313.46	95,000.00
Emergency Fund	3,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Moving Forward/Labour Mobility	5,000.00	0.00	200.00
Building Fund	100.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Special Levy Expenses	55.00	0.00	100.00
OTHER TOTAL	68,155.00	69,313.46	105,300.00
EXPENSES TOTAL	393,855.00	353,653.38	418,355.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	393,855.00	353,653.38	418,355.00
NET INCOME	0.00	(2,670.03)	0.00

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The CSLA Board of Directors meets approximately every two months to discuss all current issues following the Strategic Plan developed in 2006. This plan is divided into five key objectives:

- Governance and Administration
- Communication
- Growth of the Profession
- Programs and Professional Development
- Advocacy

In 2010, the CSLA Board of Directors held five teleconference meetings (April, June, October, and two in December) and two meetings face-to-face (February in Quebec and August in Edmonton). 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. Some of these actions include: CSLA website redevelopment; improvements to CSLA award programs; promotion of Landscape Architecture Month; accreditation of the existing landscape architecture programs in Canada; development of new landscape architecture programs in eastern Canada; redevelopment of CSLA publications; promotion of the profession in Canada; and many more on-going administrative issues and actions allowing for improvements to the functionality of the CSLA.

One of the key governance issues that the CSLA Board of Directors set as a priority for 2010 was the development of a reciprocity agreement between all jurisdictions allowing for easy labour mobility of landscape architects throughout Canada. The, federal, intergovernmental Agreement on Internal Trade (AIT) already regulates the labour mobility of landscape architects between BC, Ontario, and Alberta - provinces that have legislation regulating this profession. In an effort to develop a reciprocity agreement that can be endorsed by all component organizations, CSLA organized several meetings including face-to-face consultations with the presidents of all components. This resulted in the development of a draft agreement, which was recently sent out to all components for review and comments, with an intention to finalize this document in 2011.

In order to better promote landscape architecture in Canada, CSLA made special efforts to develop new and improved existing communication tools. This includes significant revisions to Landscapes/Paysages for 2011, complete redevelopment of the CSLA website (including addition of a "Canadian Landscape Atlas" which will promote projects submitted to the CSLA Awards Program), expansion of strategies for active participation in social media, for example, development of the new CSLA President's Blog, development of a Speaker's Bureau promoting landscape architects as speakers on relevant topics, as well as development of several other actions and improvements that will further facilitate promoting our profession.

As the majority of goals set in 2006 have been already accomplished, in December 2010, CSLA organized a new Strategic Planning session in an effort to develop new strategies allowing for further growth of landscape architecture in Canada. CSLA invited the presidents of the components to participate in this session to discuss the visions and needs of each component organization. This allows for developing strategies that share a coordinated vision and also allows for reducing any duplication of efforts of the volunteers at component organizations and CSLA, thus is more effective and better serves landscape architects in Canada.

The 2010 CSLA Congress was held in August in Edmonton where CSLA President Elect, Neil Dawe (NLALA) took over the presidency from Linda Irvine (OALA). In July 2011, the Congress will be held in Iqaluit, Nunavut, where current President Elect, **Liane McKenna** from BC will become the new CSLA President for the next 12 months. That Congress promises to be unique, considering it will be held in a landscape located above the tree line and has distinct local cultures and climate. I hope that several landscape architects from BC will participate in this up-coming event.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Pawel Gradowski
BCSLA Representative to CSLA
March 2011

School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture

In July 2010, architect Leslie van Duzer joined the School as its new director. Previously she had served as the director of undergraduate education at the University of Minnesota. Leslie is focusing her efforts on bringing the Architecture and Landscape Architecture Programs into closer alignment and on the new SALA building. We are continuing to work together with the School of Community and Regional Planning and the Faculty of Arts on a new building adjacent to the Frederic Lasserre building. PWL Partnership Landscape Architects Inc. and SHAPE Architecture Inc. are developing the design and have conducted a series of public events related to design education.

Master of Landscape Architecture Program

In the 2010/11 academic year, we admitted 17 new students into the MLA Program and two new students into the Masters of Advanced Studies in Landscape Architecture Program. We currently have 50 full-time students in the MLA program and three students in the MASLA program. In 2011/12, the MLA Program will undergo a periodic accreditation review by CSLA.

Lectures

Noted Danish architect Jan Gehl visited our School and gave the Arthur Erikson lecture at the Playhouse Theatre on January 24. On January 26, he held a roundtable discussion with our third year class at the Lui Centre.

Landscape architect and industrial designer, Jerry van Eyck, formerly of West 8 and now at his own firm Imelk in New York City, delivered the **Cornelia Hahn Oberlander/Harry J. Webb** lecture at Robson Square entitled Arcadian Urbanism on March 4.

Faculty News

Cynthia Girling, Ron Kellet, and Susan Herrington are all away on sabbatical this year. Susan is continuing to write her book on our own **Cornelia Oberlander**. **Patrick Mooney** has been Interim Chair during this time. In March, he was confirmed as Chair of the Landscape Architecture Program through the 2011/12 academic year. In September, **Don Vaughan** conducted an integrated second and third year studio focused on a new village on Cypress Mountain. Don brought his years of experience and a wide range of professionals from ours and other professions in, to lecture and critique the students' work. Brad Johnson visited at term-end and critiqued the work of Don's students. **Patrick Condon** and City of Vancouver Planning staff taught a joint planning/LA studio in September. Stephen Sheppard is increasingly in demand as a speaker on the effects of climate change. Patrick Mooney is now first VP and President Elect of the Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture (CELA) and **Daniel Roehr** will now serve as CELA Region One Representative. Daniel gave a presentation on the functioning of green roofs at the Green Roofs for Healthy Cities Conference in January. In April, Patrick travelled to Alicante, Spain to present his research at the ECOSUD, Sustainable Cities Conference. **Douglas Paterson** continues to be very active in the program and taught this year's Graduate Project Studio which was hosted by the City of Richmond.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Patrick Mooney, Chair, Landscape Architecture Program
UBC Representative to BCSLA
March 2011

BCSLA Interior Chapter Report

The BCSLA Interior Chapter had a positive year with Members attending a fall tour and barbeque at Purple Springs Nursery in Armstrong, BC. In October, members of the Interior Chapter played host to the first BCSLA Board of Directors meeting held in the Okanagan. This two-day event in Kelowna included informal meetings with Interior Chapter Members and a City of Kelowna parks tour organized by members and city staff.

Our Christmas meeting and dinner was held at the UBC Okanagan campus in early December and included an interesting presentation by Nicholas Hill, a well respected designer and builder of rammed earth construction.

Key issues facing Interior Members and Interns are labour mobility and reciprocity, more locally held seminars/workshops that qualify for CE credits, and the use of BCSLA Landscape Schedules.

Participants were very supportive about continuing their involvement with the BCSLA Interior Chapter.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Ray Visser, Interior Chapter Chair
March 2011

BCSLA Vancouver Island Chapter Report

The past year has seen the organization take on challenges and work hard to make improvements for all of the Members.

The monthly Board of Directors meetings were attended regularly by **Gerald Fleming**, Island Representative, and the topics or issues were always thought-provoking. The intent of our Island representation is threefold:

- a) To represent the interest of Members throughout the province,
- b) To express the particular ideas and issues of the Island Chapter Members, and
- c) To meet and liaise with Island Members on their individual interests, as the need arises.

With lots of encouragement and help from Tara Culham and Jessica Tan in the BCSLA office, the Vancouver Island Chapter Members have had a good year. Events were held in Nanaimo and Victoria with Members getting together to share information and ideas. In late March, a meeting was held at **Michael Bocking's** place, Earthspring Sanctuary, located in the Highlands, just outside of Victoria. Thanks are extended to guest speakers **Patrick Harrison**, **Don Barron**, and Brian Niles (guest) for their informative presentations.

The BCSLA Internship Program is active on the Island and Intern Members continue to pursue their personal and professional goals. There are now over 35 Registered Landscape Architect Members on the Island and 15 Intern Members who are still continuing their "LARE journey".

Of particular value this past year was the Board of Directors meeting in October 2010 in Kelowna, as a first step in taking the ideas and issues to the Members, closer to where they live. A similar event is planned for the Members on Vancouver Island in September 2011. Concurrent with that meeting is an exhibition of the "Drawing on the Land" in Saanich for the whole month of September, with an opening night reception being planned for sometime that month.

The Board of Directors continues to give excellent consideration, support, and understanding to the Island Chapter and there are a number of exciting Board initiatives which Island Members will be able to take advantage of in the months ahead.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Gerald Fleming, BCSLA Vancouver Island Chapter Chair
March 2011

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 Architect, Landscape Architect, Inactive, and Intern Members. 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

The most recent mandatory three-year CE reporting period ended December 31, 2010. Beginning January 1, 2008 and continuing until December 31, 2010, all Registered Landscape Architect, Landscape Architect, and Intern Members completed the three-year reporting period and were required to submit a minimum 30 CE credits. Inactive Members were required to meet a minimum of 15 credits over the same three year period. Members were provided with a summary of their credit totals for the three-year reporting period in December of 2010. Members who have not achieved the required 30 credits for the three-year period in December of 2010 will be notified. Consequences for non-compliance are outlined on the BCSLA webpage under CE Policy (www.bcsla.org/education/ce.asp).

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. In addition to the Annual BCSLA Conference, the following workshops and lectures were offered through the CE Committee in 2010:

- ✓ "Landscape Architecture in the Community"
Pre-Conference lecture by Jim Green, April 22
- ✓ N.A.T.S. Nursery Ltd. Tour, May 29
- ✓ Specimen Trees Wholesale Nurseries Ltd. Tour, June 12
- ✓ "Soil - The Foundation for Green Infrastructure" by P. MacDonagh, November 29

A short online survey was circulated to Members in February, 2011. Results of the survey will help the Committee develop programming and review credit allocation for the 2011-2012-2013 CE cycle.

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.

In addition to providing workshops and lectures, the CE Committee performs random CE credit audits. The CE Policy and monitoring form are available online. We recommend that you submit your credits using the online option on a regular basis.

The Committee would like to thank **Barry Potvin**, and **Nancy Paul** for their many years of contribution as leading members of the CE Committee. Nancy will continue to help on future events and serve as a member of the CE Committee. 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.

Amy Tsang, CE Committee Chair
Katherine Dunster
Nastaran Moradinejad
Nancy Paul
David B. Thompson

Respectfully Submitted By: Amy Tsang
CE Committee Chair
March 2011

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

Sitelines Sub-Committee

Brett Hitchins took over the position of *Sitelines* Editor from **Jane Green**, who stepped down in May 2009. *Sitelines* began the year with a visioning exercise, led by Brett. Under his leadership, the *Sitelines* Sub-Committee developed an exciting new brand and format for the publication and presented it to the Board of Directors. Although the new format was warmly received, some funding concerns were raised and the time required to service the upgraded publication was not supported by the level of volunteer support available at the time. Brett stepped down from his role as Editor last Fall, and Tara Culham and Jessica Tan at the BCSLA office have taken over as interim co-editors while the BCSLA looks for a volunteer to fill the position. During this past year, some issues were raised about the print quality and work being properly credited, but measures were put in place to avoid this from occurring. Brett's ideas, energy, and enthusiasm will be missed and we would like to thank him for his contribution.

The 2011 *Sitelines Annual Membership and Firm Roster* was produced and distributed to Members in late February. Thanks to **David Rose** for again volunteering his time to this task.

Communications Sub-Committee

The Communications Sub-Committee under the leadership of **Allison Good** and **Dylan Chernoff** have been addressing old and new initiatives while working with the President, Mark van der Zalm to develop a Communications strategy. Although she will continue to provide valuable input, Allison Good has decided to step down as the Sub-Committee Chair and we would like to thank her for all her effort and her continuing contributions to the Society.

The Logo and Word Mark Working Group was formed on the recommendation of the Board of Directors to address various issues raised by Members regarding the "BCLA" logo/word mark and was charged with finding solutions that could be brought back to the Members for approval. After careful consideration and consultation with the Membership, it was decided that there was mixed support for the new logo, but the core concern was that the 'S' and 'Society' should be put back into the name and logo. The BCSLA contacted the original graphic designer to insert the 'S' back into the logo and we were met with resistance. Without a costly redesign, the graphic artist was not willing to simply add the 'S' back into the logo, as he felt it might prejudice his reputation. Given the options, the Logo and Word Mark Working Group, along with the Board of Directors, determined that a logo and word mark competition would be the best way to involve the Membership in a fully consultative process to develop a new brand. From an open call, a jury will select finalists to be voted on by the Membership. A winning logo and word mark will then be selected to move forward with a graphic design firm to develop a new brand for the BCSLA.

Public Sector Sub-Committee

The Public Sector Sub-Committee is chaired by **Ron Myers** and was inactive in 2010. This Sub-Committee is still seeking revitalization, so if you are working in the public sector and would like to network with other public sector colleagues contact the BCSLA office.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Dylan Chernoff
Communications Sub-Committee Co-Chair
March 2011

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**Advisory
Design
Panel Sub-
Committee
Report**

As I stated in the Sub-Committee Report last year, one of my main objectives going forward was to make it possible for all our Members to participate in the various Advisory Design Panels (ADPs) by getting as much a mix of experiences and backgrounds as possible.

One way this has been accomplished is by the listing of nomination call openings in the weekly Friday File announcements. Overall, the responses have been excellent, though some design panels have been easier to fill than others. On occasion, we get multiple applications for a particular location where only one candidate will be chosen by the local government from our nomination selection. This means that some candidates may not have been selected, but we would like to encourage those Members to not give up and to please apply for new openings as they become available.

Overall, we received approximately a dozen requests from various local governments this year to fill new terms for landscape architectural positions. All positions had been filled on time. The following chart outlines the current ADP positions held by BCSLA Members:

Local Government	BCSLA Landscape Architect	Term Ending
Delta	Clark Kavolinas Michael Patterson	February, 2012 February, 2012
Maple Ridge	Chris Mramor Al Neufeld	December, 2011 December, 2012
Nanaimo	Jana Zelenski	February, 2012
New Westminster	Keith Ross Stephen Wong	January, 2013 January, 2013
City of North Vancouver	Karen Kristensen Marlene Messer	December, 2012 January, 2013
District of North Vancouver	Ken McKillop Nastaran Moradinejad	December, 2011 December, 2011
Pemberton	Kristina Salin	December, 2011
Richmond	Larry Diamond Joseph Fry	December, 2011 December, 2012
Saanich	Brad Forth Deborah LeFrank	December, 2012 December, 2012
Squamish	Tom Barratt Martin Pardoe	July, 2012 July, 2011
Surrey	Derek Lee Ron Meyers	June, 2011 November, 2012
Vancouver (1 st Shaughnessy)	Michelle McMaster Paul Sangha	December, 2011 December, 2011
Vancouver	Robert Barnes Jane Durante	December, 2011 December, 2011
Victoria	Bev Windjack	June, 2012
West Vancouver	Erik Lees	January, 2012
Whistler	Paul Dupont Elaine Naisby	December, 2011 December, 2011
UEL	Jonathan Losee Damon Oriente	January, 2012 January, 2012
UBC	Margot Long	September, 2011

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One change this year was providing the successful candidates with a letter of confirmation of appointment along with a copy of the current BCSLA ADP Guidelines. This has made it a step closer to being able to manage the starting and completion dates of the term periods and provides a better communication between our association and the local governments. It has taken a few local governments to get used to the process, but so far all have complied and appreciated our thoroughness.

Going forward we would like to follow-up on a number of local governments who “work outside” of our association, by encouraging them to work within our BCSLA ADP 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-Committees activities for the previous year and extend to all Members to contact me directly for suggestions and any concerns they may wish to discuss.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Al Tanzer
ADP Sub-Committee Chair
March 2011

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General Insurance Products for BCSLA Members

BCSLA continues 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:

- i) 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.
- ii) 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 presently 46 BCSLA firms that are enrolled in this program.

This group policy is customized to include many features unique to landscape architecture. Premiums have not increased from the past year. Firms with fees above \$200,000 that are five years claim-free, receive a claim fee discount. (Minimum premium applies to firms with fees up to \$200,000.) 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.

Commercial (Office) Insurance

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

Respectfully Submitted By:
Jay Lazzarin,
BCSLA Insurance Representative
March 2011

During 2010, the main activity was sales of the BC Landscape Standard and BC Standard for Extensive Green Roofs, which were slower than the previous year. A higher proportion of the sales were through the BC Landscape Nursery Association (BCLNA), and in February, an additional 250 copies were printed for sale.

There is interest in updating the BC Landscape Standard in preparation for a new edition. **Kathy Dunster** and **Mark van der Zalm** have been working with BCLNA on revisions, and several Members have expressed interest in the volunteering with the Landscape Standard Sub- Committee.

Because of other commitments this year, I have not been an active Sub-Committee Chair, and I will now step down from this position. I do want to continue to attend Landscape Standard meetings.

The BC Landscape Standard is a long-term collaborative effort shared by BCSLA and BCLNA. Involvement in the ongoing development of the Standard is an opportunity to support quality landscape installations throughout BC, meet committed landscape contractors and nursery managers, and learn how they are working to raise the bar. If you are interested in joining this effort please contact me or the BCSLA office for more information.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Ken McKillop
BC Landscape Standard Sub-Committee Chair
March 2011

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The British Columbia Society of Landscape Architects (BCSLA) is comprised of committed and valuable volunteers who provided stewardship, insight, and experience in helping us set and pursue a multitude of activities in accordance with our by-laws. 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: Intern/Associate Representative, UBC Representative, and Student Association Representative.

At the 2011 Annual General Meeting on May 14, 2011, Teri Cantin will assume the role of President and Mark van der Zalm will become Past President. **Geoff Gooderham**, Treasurer, **Tracy Penner**, Registrar, have one year remaining in their terms. **Theresa Cherniak**, **Gerald Fleming**, and **Ray Visser** have one year left in their terms as Directors. **Pawel Gradowski** will continue to serve as the BC Representative to the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects for one more year. **Dylan Chernoff**, **Allison Good**, and **Amy Tsang** have served the membership well and have completed their terms as Directors. Dylan and Amy will be stepping down. Dylan served two two-year terms. Allison has allowed her name to stand for another term as a Director of the Society. **Katherine Dunster** has tirelessly dedicated a great deal of time and energy to BCSLA. She has completed her term as Past President but continues to volunteer her time while Teri Cantin, President Elect, who is on maternity leave.

Emily Dunlop, Intern/Associate Representative continues to volunteer her efforts as Conference Co-Chair, LARE Workshop Leader, and the voice of the emerging professionals. **Patrick Mooney**, UBC Landscape Architecture Program, succeeded **Cynthia Girling** on the Board and we have kept him busy. Thank you to **Nicci Theroux** who recently stepped down as the Student Representative on the Board. **Margaret Soulstein** was appointed to that role in March 2011. All serve on the Board as non-voting Members.

The following positions are currently open for nominations:

- a) President-Elect and
- b) Director – two year term (three positions)

Applications or nominations should be submitted to Katherine Dunster, Nominations Committee Chair, in care of the BCSLA office until **May 6, 2011**. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the AGM and 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.

Several Committees and Sub-Committees have openings for volunteers and now is an excellent time to put your name forward. It is a gratifying experience. Thank you all for your service to the Society on behalf of the Members.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Katherine Dunster
Nominations Committee Chair
March 2011



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2011 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING PACKAGE

Saturday, May 14, 2011

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

This package includes:

1. Notice of the 2011 BCSLA Annual General Meeting
2. 2011 AGM Agenda
3. 2010 Annual General Meeting Draft Minutes
4. Officers Reports
5. 2011 Budget (Adopted)
6. Directors Reports
7. Committee & Sub-Committee Reports
8. Call For Nominations