

Ozark Mountain Section – MO APA

Meeting Minutes



March 9, 2018
Busch Building –
City of Springfield

Present: Alana Owen, Ronda Burnett, Jason Ray, Joel Binkley, Brendan Griesemer,
Dr Raj Jutla
Absent: Megan Clark, Bailey DeJonge

1. Call to order
AO called meeting to order at 1:30pm
2. Approval of minutes from February 5, 2018 meeting
BG motion to approve minutes, second by JR, all voted in favor of approval
3. Treasurers report
MC provided budget details in advance of the meeting relating to the \$1000 expenditure for sending the MAPS students to the national APA conference
4. New business
 - a. Update Board about MO APA Board of Directors Monthly Call
AO updated board on upcoming bi-state conference dates of Oct 24-26 and 2019 Planners Day at Missouri State Capitol which will be March 6. State APA Board is also seeking applications for state board positions.
 - b. MAPS National Conference Reporting
Board discussed expectations for students attending national conference and agreed that a one-page written or graphical summary of sessions and learning outcomes would be sufficient for each student in attendance. AO to liaise with BD and update, RJ to communicate these expectations to students
 - c. Update from MDC
RB summarized the work of local collaborative groups, particularly the Environmental Collaborative, which work individually and together to coordinate local services and prevent duplication. All groups now have specific action plans, with the Environmental Collaborative being charged to work towards implementing the environmental goals of Field Guide 2030. RB will be facilitating next meeting of Environmental Collaborative on 3/16 and invited ideas how the Collaborative could work together with OMS.

RB updated Board on MDC efforts in STL to put together conservation-focused

training workshops. Board discussed possibility of having these workshops recorded and shared electronically to enable SW MO planners to take advantage of relevant topics.

Finally, RB highlighted the work of OneSTL and BiodiverseCity St. Louis to develop a biodiversity inventory of the city of St. Louis, and to provide data and evidence to inform policy decisions. The group will host a workshop on 3/19/18 with a view towards identifying conservation opportunities in the St Louis region.

d. OMS Events Survey results and planning

AO led discussion of results of February effort to survey OMS members on events and engagement opportunities. BG less optimistic than last month that CU-partnered planner forum would take place in the short term, and Board proposed holding an event of its own to take advantage of survey responses. JR proposed luncheon meeting in early April to provide introductions and highlight individual member roles and responsibilities in their particular fields and communities. Group was in agreement on OMS paying the bill for the first event and reevaluating financial contributions thereafter. Group had consensus on a number of C-Street locations for luncheon as well as Springfield ART museum. Importance of involving MSU students was highlighted. Board agreed tentative dates of 4/11 or 4/13 for first event with JR to follow up with venues.

5. Any other issue or concern

JR asked for an update from Frank Miller regarding last month's presentation but no further information was available. AO to follow up with Frank.

Question was posed to BG how many CM credits can be self-reported for individual training opportunities, as opposed to reporting CM credits from events that are sanctioned and pre-approved by OMS. BG confirmed the maximum is three hours of CM credit.

BG confirmed that a Planning Commissioners training workshop is planned on one of the afternoons of the upcoming Bi-State APA conference in October. Details are still to be worked out.

6. Adjournment

AO adjourned the meeting at 2:11pm

Next meeting of the Board will be April 2nd 2018 at 3pm.