



U.S. Green Building Council
Idaho Organizing Group

Minutes

January 13, 2005

Meeting of USGBC Idaho Organizing Group

Meeting called to order at 11:35 am by Bruce Poe and distributed the agenda. (Attached)

Agenda item 1:

In Attendance:

Bruce Poe, Bob Tikker, Jim Brennan, Tom Williamson, Doug Cooper, Josh Bogle, Matt Hicks, Gary Childe, Kent Johnson, Roger Dean, Brent Taylor, James Szatkowski, Todd Maguire, Tracy Ihli, Julie Quinn, Craig McDaniel, Clay Bingham, Jamie Ross, Katie Wilde, Liisa Itkonen, Kerri Chipman, Scott Wendell, Jessica Janes, Scott Canning, Blake Watson, Drew McDaniel, Chuck Compton, Pamela Graham

Attendance on phone conference:

Holly Jaleski, Sheryl of Idea Lab

Agenda item 2:

Group reviewed Minutes of December meeting and approved. Was discussed that when the by-laws return from USGBC then the step will be to file with Idaho Secretary of State.

Agenda item 3:

Committee Updates

A) By-Laws Committee

Bob reported that all is in the proper process and awaiting return of the by-laws from USGBC to move to next step.

B) Events/Calendar Committee

- i) Calendar was reviewed and sought addition feedback for other events to contact Maria at Cole Poe for now.
- ii) Reminded Integrated Design Lab gathering on 1/19/05 from 5:30-6:30 to share experiences at USGBC Conference in Portland during November 2004.
- iii) Sustainability Conference for Inland NW is set for March 2-3 and Bruce suggested USGBC is present at Conference. Estimate 300 attendees include architects, manufacturers, and engineers plus other groups. Gary Childe of Heery Int'l will call and serve as liaison. A show of hands of the group agreed the USGBC presence should be at the Conference. Discussion included exploring possible trade to minimize costs.

- iv) Horticulture Conference. ...Julie Quinn of the City of Boise explained the Conference on 1/20-21/05. Ivy Design (Deb and Greg) will participate and represent USBGC. Katie Wilde of Arid Gardeners offered to assist too. Discussed setting up link on the websites with the city of Boise and USBGC of Idaho.
- v) Bruce discussed that Curt Nickels of Idaho Power in the Commercial Sector area is working to implement energy saving projects involving grants and was making the group aware of this project.

It was suggested that Matthew May, Events Chair, be included in all correspondence.

C) Budget Committee

i) Bruce explained USGBC has a matching grant program, which offers chapters up to \$50k in matching funds for use in developing the chapter. Use could include establishing an executive director and related costs. A conference call on 1/1 will add clarity for the next meeting to review the project.

ii) Open discussion with no conclusion on various concepts of membership. Idea was deferred until Chapter was organized.

D) Strategic Planning Committee

No Updates.

E) Liaison Committee

Was discussed as chapter gets organized it will be time to create regular communication channels between like minded organizations as defined in agenda.

Agenda item 4:

There was a discussion of possible committees to create as the needs of the organizing chapter are evolving. Bruce discussed 4 possible committees. After discussion of the four possible committees the group approved moving forward on discussion of creating 2 new committees.

A Regulatory Agencies/Code Committee to work on serving as a resource for city and counties in Idaho on LEED standards as they relate to their own current codes.

A Governmental Affairs was suggested to focus more on politically oriented matters.

The group suggested including the Educational topics in *the Event/Calendar Committee* and combining Membership in the *Budget Committee*

Agenda item #5:

Website for the USGBC Organizing Chapter is up. Maria n Bruce's office is handling the website as a personal project. Many thanks to Maria.

Agenda item6:

Discussion of identifying ALL projects in Idaho that are seeking LEED status and sought input from everyone on projects other than those listed in the agenda.

There was discussion of a project in Idaho Falls. In this same conversation was that the3 USGBC chapter should get approval from project owners before publicizing this status so as address any concerns of the owner of the project.

A project in Barber Park in Boise will be seeking a LEED Silver status.

The Banner Bank Bldg on 10th and Bannock with HDR will seek LEED status.

It was suggested other sustainable projects also be submitted whether LEED qualified or not.

Agenda item7:

Bruce suggested the group consider regional chapters in Idaho as the USGBC Idaho chapter begins to grow. Input can be emailed or shared in future meetings.

NEXT MEETING is on February 2, 2005 from 11:30 am to 1 pm.

MEETING ADJOURNED by 12:45pm

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