PDO Team Conference Call
February 11, 2015 11am
Call in Number: 877-216-1555; Passcode 711367#

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National APA has accepted the two members of the California Chapter, Mike Marshall and Aleida Andrino-Chavez, that were nominated for AICP Exam Reduced Fee Scholarships for the May 2015 AICP Exam. This means we have six remaining scholarships to allocate for the November 2015 exam.

5. **2013-2014 AICP Reporting Period – Members in Danger of Losing AICP Status**

6. **Report out on Session Recordings from the CA APA 2014 Conference-Disneyland**

7. **Healthy Planning Leadership Series**

   The Chapter has been working with Dr. Elizabeth Baca, Senior Health Advisor for the Governor's Office of Planning and Research on developing a new series of webinars. We have board approval from National and the Health Officers Association of California (HOAC) to apply for credit. It looks like we are 99% sure to be able to beta test Blue Jeans Prime Time, a very hip, interactive video platform. It can host up to 1000 viewers. It is like a webinar 3.0. They just used it at Sundance Film Festival. You can check it out here: [http://bluejeans.com/](http://bluejeans.com/).

   The Chapter Board believes the series will provide APA members with a level of understanding of health issues and policies that tie into land use planning throughout the state. Next steps are to dive deep into planning the individual series based on brainstorming from the group.

   Topics include:
   1. Why Healthy Planning Matters- context setting for series
   2. Climate and Resiliency
   3. Health and Economic Opportunity
   4. Active Living and Recreation
   5. Housing
   6. Social Connection and Safety
   7. Health and Human Services
   8. Healthy Food Systems

8. **May 2015 AICP Exam Preparation Activities & Resources**

9. **Selection of FAICP Coordinator and Schedule for FAICP Nominations/Applications**

   Bob Miller, AICP, has graciously agreed to take on the job of FAICP Coordinator. Milestones in the Nomination/Application process are as follows:
Continuing:
- Work with current FAICP members to identify likely candidates and start initial listing.
- Contact all Chapter FAICP members to seek mentors and reviewers.

April and May
- Distribute preliminary applications received to Nomination Committee.
- Hold conference call with Nomination Committee and identified mentors or other interested FAICP members to discuss progress and nominations received thus far.
- Receive last preliminary applications.

May
- Conduct conference call with Nomination Committee; prepare recommendation for Executive Board discussion and vote.

June
- Executive Board call to select Chapter-supported nominees.
- Mentors start work with selected candidates.

July
- Candidates and mentors work on formal applications.

August
- Submit “90%” draft to Chapter FAICP Coordinator to review.
- Coordinator hold calls with mentors for peer review of applications as needed.

September
- Begin review of final packages.

October
- Final package due to FAICP Coordinator and mentors October 1.
- Mentors prepare Chapter Nomination Letter after final package received.
- Submit to APA National as identified in their schedule.

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- The PDO Exchange will take place at the Sheraton Seattle Hotel (Redwood A Room) on Sunday, April 19 from 12:30 – 3:00pm. They’re still looking for some Exchange topics, so please continue to send those in.
- In anticipation of the April 19th PDO Exchange at the Seattle National Planning Conference AICP Commission members Karen Wolf and Glenn Larson are providing a brief update on the status the AICP Comprehensive Planning Examination (CPE). An earlier request from them was sent out. They’re very eager to hear your valuable input into this ongoing exam evaluation process.

8. **APA State Conference-Oakland (October 3-6, 2015)**

- Conference call for sessions (319) and mobile workshops (50) submissions.

9. **Events Submitted for CM Approval**

I’ve had reports that in the past when folks submitted events for CM approval through their dashboards they would receive National APA notifications at the completion of the review process for submitted events. They tell me that this method is no longer dependable so they’ve been visiting APA National's Calendar of Events (https://www.planning.org/cm/search/) 3 weeks after the submittal date (the length of time required for the review process) and searching the calendar to verify that it is listed and approved. I’ve been told that their IT department is working on resolving the notification system, but it’s been several months now and it's still not working properly. Are folks still finding this to be the case?

10. **May 2015 AICP Exam Preparation Activities & Resources**

11. **FAICP Nominations/Applications**
David Miller, our FAICP Coordinator, tells me we have only received very limited interest to-date from folks who are interested in being either a candidate or a mentor. Anything you can do to assist him with this effort would be much appreciated. There are a number of planning professionals out there who deserve to be considered for this important honor and we need your help in identifying them.

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8. November 2015 AICP Exam Preparation Activities & Resources

9. FAICP Nominations/Applications

David Miller, our FAICP Coordinator, tells me we have at least three solid candidates at this point. The FAICP Nomination Committee will meet shortly to look at the preliminary applications.

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7. **FAICP Nominations/Applications**

The FAICP Nomination Committee met via conference call to discuss the preliminary nomination applications. The Nomination Committee reviewed the applications and provided specific feedback on how they could be strengthened. The Nomination Committee recommended that the Board support four nominees. The FAICP Coordinator, David Miller, relayed the feedback to the nominees who revised their applications. The Executive Board then discussed the nominees via conference call at their meeting of August 7th and voted to support the four and to add an additional one. The following individuals will be moving forward in the process:

- Brian Mooney (San Diego)
- Larry Morrison (Los Angeles)
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Kim Brosseau, our AICP Coordinator, once again organized a conference session that both tested folks’ planning knowledge, as well as offered tips and advice about preparing for and taking the exam. A number of the members of the Chapter PDO team assisted. Thanks to everyone for their help with this important conference session.

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8. **FAICP Nominations/Applications**

The FAICP nomination applications are under final review. The FAICP Coordinator, David Miller, has been working closely with the nominees and their mentors on putting the final touches on the applications, which are due the first of November. The following individuals will be submitting applications to National:

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9. **Statewide Programs Coordinator**

Carol Barrett, who has done so much amazing work for the California Planning Foundation and its work providing scholarships to planning students, has agreed to work with us as the Statewide Programs Coordinator. She was confirmed by the State Board at our meeting at the conference. Carol and I will be talking soon about some potential projects that she might be able to help with. If you think of any that we might need her help with please let her and me know.

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A reminder asking you to continue to promote the distance education sessions recorded at last year’s state conference in Disneyland. The webpage where you can sign up to view them is: http://www.apacalifornia.org/professional-development/certified-maintenance/ (see “Distance Education Opportunities”). Remember the profits received from this effort benefit the California Planning Foundation.
Greg Konar, AICP, the Chapter’s incoming Vice President for Marketing and Membership, graciously volunteered to help the Chapter with recording sessions at this year’s state conference in Oakland and putting them in a format that could be used for Distance Education sessions. The first session is now available for viewing. More are to come. Here’s the eblast that went out recently:

2015 APA California Legislative Update – Distance Education Video Available Now!

A video recording of the 2015 APA California Legislative Update from the Oakland Conference session is now available for viewing. The session provides an update of planning-related legislation, regulations, and case law that APA California lobbied in 2015, including detailed information signed into law, implementation recommendations, regulations adopted during the year, and any case law or budget changes that impact planners and planning in California.

Moderator:
John Terell, AICP, Vice President of Policy & Legislation, APA California

Speakers:
Sande George, Partner, Stefan/George Associates, Executive Director and Lobbyist, APA California
Lauren DeValencia Executive Assistant, Stefan/George Associates, Lobbyist, APA California.

Cost:
$15 per individual viewing (unlimited).
$10 per person for group viewing. A higher quality MP4 video will be provided. Please contact Greg Konar at gregok@cox.net for link to download.

Attendees of the live session at the 2015 Chapter Conference in Oakland may view the video for free. Please use promo code OAKLAND2015 when registering.

6. FAICP Nominations/Applications

The FAICP nomination applications have been forwarded to National. The FAICP Coordinator, David Miller, worked closely with the nominees and their mentors on putting the final touches on the applications, which were submitted in November. The following individuals submitted applications to National:

• Brian Mooney (San Diego)
• Larry Morrison (Los Angeles)
• Susan Peerson (San Diego)
• Celia McAdam (Sacramento)
• Kurt Christiansen (Los Angeles)