

MISSISSIPPI LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (LAAC)

Minutes of a Regular Meeting

April 5, 2023, 10:05 AM

Ridgeland, Mississippi

Members Present: Warren (Cory) Gallo, Alan Hoops, Robert Mercier
(Mr. Gallo and Mr. Mercier participated by teleconference)

Members Absent: Martha G. Hill, Brantley Snipes

Also Present: Ellie Word, John Cothron

With a quorum present, Mr. Hoops called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item	Explanation	Actions Taken/Planned
1. Minutes		Motion was made by Mr. Mercier and seconded by Mr. Gallo to approve the minutes from the January 25, 2023, meeting as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Approval of Certificates		Motion was made by Mr. Hoops and seconded by Mr. Mercier to approve certificates issued since the January 2023 meeting (attached). The motion passed unanimously.
3. Complaint #2023-4	Mr. Cothron reported that the respondent had agreed to remove a misleading hashtag from their social media platforms.	Motion was made by Mr. Gallo and seconded by Mr. Mercier to close the complaint. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Legislative Update	Mr. Cothron reviewed legislation impacting the Board and reported that House Bill (HB) 519 was allowed to die in committee to provide additional time for the Board of Architecture and the Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Surveyors, as well as the American Council of Engineering Companies of Mississippi, to continue discussions on the bill language, with the goal of introducing legislation again next year.	
5. Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards (CLARB) Annual Meeting Attendees		Motion was made by Mr. Hoops and seconded by Mr. Mercier to designate five (5) landscape architect members and the Executive Director to attend the CLARB Annual Meeting in Henderson, Nevada on September 20-22, 2023. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Meeting Schedule	August 2, 2023, was affirmed as the date of the next LAAC meeting.	

7. Open Discussion	Members discussed LAAC appointments and the upcoming CLARB Mid-Year Update and Twin States Conference. Mr. Gallo provided updates on the Mississippi State University Landscape Architecture program.	
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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with unanimous consent at 10:45 AM.

4-12-23


Date Approved by MSBOA



Alan Hoops, Chair, LAAC



Martha Hill, Secretary, LAAC



Prepared by John Cothron, Executive Director, on 4/5/2023

Landscape Architect Certificates Issued for Approval			
Lic Number	Name	License Date	Method
753	Hans C. Herrmann	2/8/2023	EXAM
754	Jacob Haynes	3/9/2023	RECIPROCITY
755	Lauren R. Williams	3/9/2023	RECIPROCITY