

Tuesday, August 17, 2010 Noon Call-in

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USGBC West Suburban Steering Committee MEETING THIRTY ONE MINUTES

1. **Introductions** –Anna Sedjo, Chair; Ed Choklek, Vice Chair; Kris Salmen, Secretary; Lori Vierow, Program Chair; Alan Johnson, Membership Chair, comm. members
2. **Steering Committee Meeting Schedule**
Regular meeting date is third Tuesday of the month at rotating locations
 - September Meeting, Sept. 21st at SCARCE, Glen Ellyn (confirmed)
 - October Meeting, Oct. 19th, FGM, Oak Brook (tentative)
3. **Branch Chair Report** (Anna Sedjo) Anna reported on a conference call with the Branch leaders in which they discussed the new structure of the chapter.
4. **Review of Past Months Events** Ed Choklek reviewed the Jul 29th event at Wheaton College – about 100 people attended. Feedback from attendees was that they liked the guided building tour.
5. **Upcoming Events**
(Keep our eyes open for opportunities to partner with the other USGBC Suburban branches or other organizations, such as BOMA, IFMA, NAHB)

August – Hidden Oaks Nature Center, Bolingbrook (Scott Richards, Lori Vierow) w/ So. Sub Branch???? Attendance limited to 40 due to limited parking

- Date: August 18th, 5:30- 7:30
- Location: Hidden Oaks Nature Center, Bolingbrook (bldg rental fee=\$50)
- Topic: LEED Building Tour
- Speakers: Lois Vitt Sales(Wight) and Scott Dierks – JF New
- GCBI CE credit: YES
- Sponsors: Walsch Landscape Construction (\$250), Amber Mechanical (\$250)
- Budget: projected net income of \$0.00 (we did not budget an August event)

September – Networking = change in topic (Adam McMillan & Susan Peters)

We discussed the topic change, since members want more networking!

Adam reported on event planning. Karin to open registration to BOMA and AIA; Cynthia suggested the Interior Designers IADA; Ed contacting the SMPA (marketing professional services organization)

- Date: September ?
- Location: tba- local bar/restaurant - Adam working on getting Rock Bottom in Naperville
- Topic: none!
- Sponsors?
- Budget: net income of \$600

October – Green Schools = K-12 (Ed Choklek / Stella N) Ed reported that he and Stella Nicolet are working with the USGBC Green Schools Comm.

- Date:
- Location:
- Topic:
- Speakers:
- GCBI CE credit:
- Sponsors:
- Budget: projected net income of \$4.75?

November – Green Build

Nov. 17-19 at McCormick's Place – attendance expected to be 30-35K. Many volunteers needed! Go to chapter website to volunteer. Karin reported that the IL Chapter is looking for volunteers to work the table. Also, there will be a request for video recordings of members "green" stories and the selected ones will be featured at Green Build, and there are **scholarships available. (appl due 8/27)** Early registration to end soon.

December –Green Careers. (Ed Choklek , Kris Salmen)

Ed updated us on the IL Green Economy Network (IGEN) and their work with 12 IL. Comm. Colleges launching sustainability centers. Waubonsie College is receiving fed. funding to create a center. Cynthia reminded Karin about getting the GreenBuild student volunteer email list.

Cynthia suggested that we use social networking (Facebook, etc) to reach students. Karin to talk with Chapter interns about this. Also, Cynthia asked if we can get the Green Build student volunteer email list for marketing this event?

- Date: December ? (must consider finals, Christmas break)
- Location: Triton College? We discussed looking for sites closer to more students than Triton which is in Cook Co. – Elmhurst College? –near public transportation **site with a sustainability curriculum?**
- Topic: Green Careers
- Speakers: panel with professionals talking about their path to "Green"
- GCBI CE credit:
- Sponsors:
- Budget: projected net income of \$225.00

New Business

1. The Chapter meeting on Sept. 9th is all about Green Build.
2. Karin: the chapter is now managing join/renew membership on our own website. There will be a contest between the branches to compete for new/renewed membership.
3. Allan talked about the Membership committee getting new people to help with contacting event attendees about membership. He also said that the format is good now.