



ARCHITECTURAL INSTITUTE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

SPECIAL MEETING OF ARCHITECTURAL INSTITUTE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

DATE: Saturday 12 May 2012
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
LOCATION: Vancouver Convention and Exhibition Centre West
Vancouver, British Columbia
PRESIDING: Gordon Richards MAIBC, President

1.0 Welcome

Gordon Richards MAIBC and President welcomed attendees to the meeting which was initiated by a petition by 18 members of the Institute.

1.1 Quorum

The President reported that the members in attendance exceeded the requirement for quorum.

2.0 Call to Order

The President called the meeting to order.

3.0 Introductions

3.1 Petitioners

The President introduced the signatories to the petition:

Paul Rust MAIBC	B. Ian Bazley MAIBC
Mark Lesack MAIBC (not present)	Montgomery Wood MAIBC
Laurence W. (Chip) Barrett MAIBC	Loy J. Leyland MAIBC (not present)
Mark W. Ankenman MAIBC (not present)	Eric Stine MAIBC (not present)
Yong Cho MAIBC (not present)	Irvin H. Kew MAIBC
Richard R. Balfour MAIBC	Donald I. Brown MAIBC
Patricia Bourque MAIBC	Alan J. Hodgson MAIBC (not present)
Peter James Lovick MAIBC (not present)	Brian O. Nelson MAIBC
Dirk Buttjes MAIBC (not present)	John F. Keay MAIBC (not present)

3.2 Council

The President introduced the members of the 2011/2012 AIBC Council:

Vice-President	Scott Kemp MAIBC
Registrar	Joan Hendriks MAIBC
Treasurer	Tim Spiegel B.Sc. (QS) PQS, a Lieutenant Governor's Appointee to Council

Robert G. Chester MAIBC
Eszter Csutkai MAIBC
Pierre E. Gallant MAIBC, immediate Past President
Veronica Gillies MAIBC (not present)
Paula Grossman MAIBC
Karl Gustavson MAIBC
Leslie Van Duzer B.A., M.Arch, Director of UBC SALA
David Yustin MAIBC

Lieutenant Governor's Appointees to Council:

Owen Pawson B.Arch, LL.B.
Richard Peddie Ph.D.
David Toole

LIAISONS TO COUNCIL:

Dave Boswell BD, ASCT, Building and Residential Designers
Michael Currie AT, Architectural Technologists
David Zeibin IA, Intern Architects
Jim Toy BA, BArch, RID LEED AP, liaison to the Interior Designers Institute of BC (not present)

3.3 Staff

The President introduced members of the AIBC Staff who were present:

Michael Ernest MAIBC	Executive Director
Paul Becker MAIBC, P.Eng	Director of Professional Services
Thom Lutes LL.B.	Director of Professional Conduct and Illegal Practice
Jerome Marburg LL.B., MBA	Deputy Executive Director and General Counsel
David Wiebe	Director of Communications
Karen Morris CGA	Manager of Finance and Administration
Roísín O'Neill	Manager of Registration and Licensing
Katherine Rau	Executive Assistant
Gayle Roberts	Professional Conduct Coordinator
Linus Lam MAA, MRAIC	Communications Specialist

3.4 Parliamentarian

The President introduced Eli Mina M.Sc., P.R.P. Eli Mina briefed the assembly on the purpose of a parliamentarian (to offer advice to President and through him to the assembly on Parliamentary procedure) and reminded the assembly that the business of the meeting may not exceed the scope of the petitioners' submission.

4.0 Acceptance of Agenda

The President advised the assembly that, in accordance with Section 17.2 of the *Architects Act* which specifies that "No business shall be transacted at any Special Meeting of the Institute other than as set forth in the notice", a motion to approve the agenda would not apply.

5.0 Special Meeting Protocols

The President reviewed highlights of the protocols previously distributed and posted on the AIBC website.

MOTION: That the AIBC Special Meeting Protocols be adopted as distributed.

Moved: Pierre E. Gallant MAIBC

Seconded: Gary Fields MAIBC

CARRIED

The President explained the process for voting and that by which quorum would be monitored throughout the meeting in accordance with Bylaw 35.1 (the issuing and submission of voter cards).

6.0 Petitioners' Discussion Topics

6.1 Status of Associates

The President summarized the first part of the discussion topic: “the Institute's vision and plans for the associates based on the work arising from the Associates Working Committee”, and invited Scott Kemp MAIBC, Chair of the Associates Resolution Working Group, to respond.

Scott Kemp MAIBC summarized: the history of the creation of associate categories and communications with membership, government and other stakeholders; the AIBC Council's adopted Guiding Principles for Legislative Renewal; development of competency standards; and council's plans for further consideration including an independent survey of institute members.

He introduced the members of council's Associates Resolution Working Group:

Scott Kemp MAIBC, Chair
Eszter Csutkai MAIBC
Gordon Richards MAIBC
Paula Grossman MAIBC

Robert Chester MAIBC
Dave Boswell BD ASCT, BD Liaison
Michael Currie AT, AT Liaison.

Comments and/or questions were raised on subjects including the following:

- A referendum
- Respective rights and responsibilities of various associate groups including roles with committees, boards and council
- The absence of Intern Architect representation on the working group

6.1.1 Potential bylaw motions under consideration by AIBC Council

The President read from the petitioners' submission: “an outline of any potential Bylaw motions currently under consideration”, and confirmed that there were no such motions currently under consideration by council.

6.2 Rulings of the Chair at the 2011 Annual Meeting

The President quoted from the petitioners' submission: “clarification on rulings made by the Chair at the 2011 Annual Meeting wherein the Chair noted in response to motions brought before the assembly 'on the advice of counsel rule the motion out of order'. Specifically, the members wish to know on what basis the proposed motions became 'legal matters' and on what point or body of law did such a transformation exclude them from the precedence of Robert's Rules.”

The President confirmed three proposed motions on points of order were made and were ruled “out of order” by the Chair of the meeting, then President Pierre E. Gallant MAIBC. Each time, the ruling of the chair was challenged by the individual who had proposed the motions. Those appeals were put to the assembly, which upheld the Chair’s rulings. All procedures were conducted in accordance with Robert’s Rules of Order with advice from the registered parliamentarian.

7.0 Petitioners’ Proposed Bylaw Resolutions

(Note: Whereas each motion was received and distributed under the name of its originating mover and seconder, persons present at the meeting were required as mover and seconder, were called for, and have been recorded accordingly.)

7.1 Rules of Order for Annual Meetings

MOTION: That Bylaw 20 shall be amended to include:

20.0 (a) As a rule of order the annual meeting shall include 'new business' as a component of the agenda during which time the members may make, debate and, vote on motions; direct questions to the chair; and raise issues for discussion

Moved: Paul Rust MAIBC

Seconded: Irvin H. Kew MAIBC

DEFEATED

7.2 Rules of Order for Council Meetings

MOTION: That that Bylaw 20 shall be amended to Include:

20.0 (b) As a rule of order council meetings shall include 'new business' as a component of the agenda during which time the members of council may make, debate, and vote on motions; direct questions to the chair; and raise issues for discussion.

Moved: Richard R. Balfour MAIBC

Seconded: B. Ian Bazley MAIBC

DEFEATED

7.3 Associate Bylaw(s) Voting Requirements

MOTION: To refer proposal 7.3 to the Bylaw Review Committee.

Moved: Derek Neale MAIBC

Seconded: David Wilkinson MAIBC

CARRIED

REFERRED: that a new Bylaw 35.2 shall be approved:

35.2 Proposed new bylaws or bylaw amendments involving the titles, registration, scopes of practice, or institute related rights regarding the 'associates', in whole or in part, shall only be considered and voted upon at annual meetings or general (special) meetings of the AIBC.

Further, it is proposed that: existing bylaw 35.2 shall be renumbered as appropriate as 35.4, the opening word "these" shall be replaced with the word "others" and amended to read: “5.3 Other bylaws may be amended by a mail ballot in the following manner:”

Existing Bylaw 35.3 shall be renumbered as appropriate.

7.4 Title Bylaw(s) Voting Requirements

MOTION: To refer proposal 7.4 to the Bylaw Review Committee.

Moved: B. Ian Bazley MAIBC

Seconded: Lynne Werker MAIBC

CARRIED

REFERRED: That a new Bylaw 35.3 shall be approved:

35.3 Proposed new bylaws or bylaw amendments involving titles for members, firms, licensees, or associates shall only be considered and voted upon at annual meetings or general (special) meetings of the AIBC

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8.0 Petitioners' Proposed Advisory Motions

8.1 Associates Guidance

The President invited mover Irvin H. Kew MAIBC to introduce the first advisory motion.

ADVISORY MOTION: That this assembly strongly expresses its wish that council cease any further work on the creation, inclusion, and titling of 'associates' in the Building Designer and Residential Building Designer categories

and that as soon as possible that they rescind all past council motions and policies related to these categories of associates and remove them from the registry at the end of the current fee or licensing period.

And that any entry of non-registered persons be not entered into "The Registry", but be found in a new "List of Associates" to avoid confusion with the registry of professionals.

Moved: Irvin H. Kew MAIBC

Seconded: Donald I. Brown MAIBC

DEFEATED

A POINT OF ORDER was raised with regard to the number of voting members present and the effect of abstentions on the preceding vote. The President confirmed that with 156 members present and 66 votes in favour, the motion failed.

8.2 2012-2013 Budget Request

The President invited mover Richard R. Balfour MAIBC to introduce the second advisory motion.

ADVISORY MOTION: That the members strongly suggest that the council and staff prepare a budget for the 2012-2013 financial period which:

- i) reduces staff costs in salaries benefits and compensation by 10% or a minimum of 2 full-time position, whichever is the greater, below the 2010-2011 staff compliment*
- ii) without affecting regulatory obligations or service to the Intern Architects reduces the overall budget 10% from the 2011-2012 total

* It is proposed that the AIBC staff collectively and in a democratic manner decide among themselves whether to:

I. reduce their salaries proportionally across the board to achieve the desired economic goal, or

II. lay-off the required number of staff

Moved: R. Balfour MAIBC

Seconded: B.I. Bazley MAIBC

DEFEATED

9.0 Adjournment

The President thanked all those who came and participated and adjourned the meeting.