



December 18, 2008

USGBC MS Provisional Chapter Leaders Meeting
CCD Architects' 1st floor conference room, 12:00 to 1:00 PM, Jackson, MS

Present:

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Discussions, reports and tasks (no business was to have been decided until our new board is functioning in Jan. 2009):

1. November 2008 minutes were approved.
2. There was no formal agenda. We welcomed the New Board Members and discussed the Board's Officer Nomination procedure that needs to be completed prior to the elections to be held in the January 2009 meeting.
3. Jan, 16th 2009 at CCD was chosen as the next Meeting.
4. Dustin gave a brief report of SERC: They are redefining their responsibilities. Dustin wants our input to share in the upcoming four (4) 2009 regional meetings. Patrik is rotating out and we need a new SERC partner to work with Dustin for 2009. Perry said he would send copies of the SERC report by email to all of us.
5. Our Nine (9) New Board Members are: Kendall Poole, Paul Mazcka, Dustin Bass, Andrew Liles, David Hardy, Patrik Lazaarri, Jeff Seabold, Ann Somers, Perry Richardson.



6. Lauren and Jennifer are emailing the rolls of the four (4) New Board officers and requesting nominations by the 26th of Dec. A list of the nominees for each office will be sent to the leaders by email on Jan 2nd 2009. The nominated members will be contacted prior to the list being sent to confirm that they agree to be a candidate for the office and will serve if elected at the Jan New Board's first official meeting.
7. David gave an overview of the Treasurer's report. He is waiting on the return of some paperwork from the IRS. Next step will consist of the information being reviewed and then approved by National before we are recognized as a full MS Chapter.
8. Lauren said she would send our thank you letter to our Membership Event Sponsors.
9. Our First Friday Program will be on Jan. 9, 2009 and lunch will continue to be free at that event. Any lunch charges will be brought up, discussed and decided by the New Board of Directors.
10. The Christmas party for 2008 is tonight, Dec. 18th, 2008.
Ann and Charles Hooker have again opened their home for the USGBC party.
Our USGBC MS Provisional Chapter will pay for food and drinks this year.
11. We were asked to comment on two bills being proposed in the MS Legislature by tomorrow. We asked Jennifer if National would review them and comment. There is a question unresolved: do we only help when asked with education and information for our Legislators or do we actually get involved with more advocacy? Jennifer said she would help get our Advocacy Committee trained if we form one, but there are concerns and it has been suggested that we do not want to be lobbyists.
12. Jennifer is signing up the existing leaders and New Board for the three each 2 hour Dynamic Governance on line training sessions in Jan 2009.
13. The CSI product show and seminar is to be on Feb. 26th, 2009 at the MS Convention Center. As a group we all need to help:
 - a. We should all encourage greener suppliers as we talk with them this next month to exhibit their top greener products and technologies.
 - b. During Feb. we need to encourage our members to attend. Some of the group will be needed to help with the USGBC MS's part.
14. The first 2009 USGBC LEED EB Workshop will be held on Feb. 27th in the Penthouse of the Hilton on County Line Road. Kendall is developing the details and will need assistance from our group. Workshops are limited to 80 people.



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15. Some of our members met with Barbara Crowell and others with the City of Jackson. More details on how we can work together will be developed.

16. Jeff Seabold is going to continue a MS series of NPR radio easy-green chat shows with Felder Rushing during 2009. The dates will be announced. Jeff said the Junior League is doing a green event on the 27th and 28th of March 2009. The Public will be welcome to part. The Friday program will have a fee associated with it.