

## Agenda

Wisconsin Student Planning Association (WSPA)  
Department of Urban and Regional Planning-UW Madison

**Wednesday, October 9, 2007**  
**5:30 pm Rm 208 URPL**

### **I. Announcements**

### **II. New & Continuing Business**

#### **a. T-shirt Redesign**

#### **b. Graduation**

#### **c. Pyle center**

#### **d. Graduation Speaker**

- i. We are currently looking for suggestions.
- ii. This needs to be done soon, as these people may have busy schedules.
- iii. Current suggestion on the board. (Mayor Dave, Mark Olinger)

#### **e. Joan going to Treasurer Workshop**

- i. Joan went to the meeting.

#### **f. Need to put this on a WSPA master list for those following us so that they know that they have to do it to get the money**

#### **g. Consolation Group**

- i. This would be sending out cards to WSPA members.
- ii. Ask the staff if they already have something to this affect.

#### **h. URPL Year book**

- i. Possibly a responsibilities of the graduation committee

#### **i. URPL is looking for a new faculty member; is there a specialty we think is missing.**

- i. Transportation planner
- ii. Community Development
- iii. With a PLANNING background, not engineering (AICP?)
- iv. Social issues planner

- v. Has a teaching background so that they know how to effectively communicate info to students, teaching skills should be emphasized
  - vi. Would be great if the prof has a class in the dept so that the student body gets to know the professor vs. a position like Genskow where his subject matter is of interest to students but he doesn't teach
  - vii. Lockers
  - viii. Get rid of the lockers downstairs and replace with hooks and shelves
  - ix. Contact Nelson Ins to see who provides their lockers
  - x. Check Restore and SWAP
  - xi. Call locksmith to bust off the locks on the existing lockers and use them at your own risk (my favorite idea)
- j. International study abroad short course  
<http://www.bth.se/europeanplanning>
- k. **Faculty is looking for input for a three-credit or one-credit class during the Spring semester.**
- i. Professional development
    - 1. resume writing, grant writing, interview skills, AICP overview, research design
  - ii. historic preservation
  - iii. class that teaches practical environmental tools like assessing Environmental Impact Statements, TMDLs, BMPs, NEPA policy, NPDES, etc....
- l. **Constitution Revision**
- i. Forming a Constitution Committee
  - ii. If you are interested, please email Stephanie Lind [slind@wisc.edu](mailto:slind@wisc.edu)

### III. Committee Announcements

- a. **Budget/Webmaster Committee (Steph)**

i. Jim wants a break down of WSPA's budget

**b. Alumni Communications/WAPA Committee (Sara)**

**i. Alumni Letter**

1. Connections is a news letter that comes out twice a year, fall-winter and spring-summer that speaks to Alumni
2. putting a WSPA envelope in the Connections letter
3. WSPA typically writes an article (500 wrd document) about activities, awards, projects...
4. **FUNDING:** letter goes out once a year; we could ask for specific funds for projects/conferences, or we can become part of the general fund and have money be specifically donated to WSPA thru URPL
5. for jim's letter, we need to include a statement, our activities, photos
6. there is an annual telethon (campus-wide) that undergrads usually take part in and we call alums
7. we need to give jim the WSPA budget, what we currently used funds for, what we would use funds for if we had more...

**c. Social Committee (Joan)**

- i. Potluck (Oct 19th)
- ii. Bonfire before it gets too cold

**d. Professional Development Committee (Tanya/Paul)**

- i. Resumes available for format comparison
- ii. Interest in resume workshop with Lafollette person
- iii. Trips!! Architecture tour in chicago, ect

**e. Internal Affairs (Damon)**

**i. Faculty Meeting Liaison (Josh Clements, Damon Clark)**

1. Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6

**ii. Curriculum Meeting Liaison (Rachel Jacques)**