

**ASLA Council of Fellows
Business Meeting**
Monday, October 13, 2025, 8:00-9:00 am, Eastern Time
Ernest Morial Convention Center, Room 217-219

Minutes - Draft

Presiding: Terry Warriner Ryan, FASLA, Chair

Officers: Elizabeth Kennedy, FASLA, Chair-elect
Joy Lyndes, FASLA, Secretary
Deb Guenther, FASLA, Member at Large
Juanita Shearer-Swink, FASLA, Immediate Past Chair
Kona Gray, FASLA, President

ASLA Staff: Curt Millay, ASLA, Chief of Staff
Greg Cohen, Chief Financial Officer
Judy Mehlman, Development Manager

Guests: 2025 ASLA COF Scholarship Recipients:
Isabel Aguilar, Student ASLA, University of Florida
Rekiyah Bobbitt, Student ASLA, North Carolina A&T State University
Ahmaud Carroll-Tubbs, Student ASLA, Ball State University
Crystal Carbajal Castillo, Student ASLA, Cal Poly Pomona
E.J. Bolduc, FASLA, COF Secretary-Elect
Barbara Deutsch, FASLA, LAF Chief Executive Officer
Annette Wilkus, FASLA, COF Chair-Elect

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Ms. Ryan called the meeting to order at 8:08am and introduced the committee and guests.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

IT WAS MOVED BY MS. HUTCHINS AND SECONDED BY MS. MARTIN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Moment of Silence for Departed Fellows

Ms. Ryan acknowledged Fellows who have passed away since the last business meeting. The body observed a moment of silence.

Glenn Acomb

Alton Anthony Barnes, Jr.

Joe Brown

Bryan Carlson

David William Donelin

Jon Emerson

M. Paul Friedberg

Terry Harkess

Mark Emerson Hollinger

Bernard Jacobs

Dale Jaeger

Dick Cornelis Jongejan

David Koga

Peter Olin

Peter Rolland

Scott Weinberg

Kongjian Yu

4. Recognition of the 2025 Class of Fellows

Ms. Ryan acknowledged the 2025 class of Fellows who had been inducted at the Council of Fellows Investiture Ceremony the previous evening.

5. Council of Fellows Scholarship Presentation

Ms. Ryan recognized the four Council of Fellows 2025 scholarship recipients and presented them with certificates.

6. Scholarship Financial Report

Ms. Deutsch provided a financial update on the COF Scholarship Fund. The year-end 2024 balance was \$808,604.51. Principal contributions from 2024 totaled \$45,418.41. From fundraising activities during the investiture dinner, \$40,000 was raised for the scholarship. The investments are doing well, yielding more than we are dispersing.

Mr. Cohen explained creation of a new segregated investment account, established through the ASLA Fund and managed directly by ASLA and its professional investment advisor rather than LAF. Going forward, all new Fellows contributions will be directed to this new fund, while the existing LAF assets will continue to grow and be used for scholarships. This new arrangement provides two key benefits: greater flexibility in how the funds can be used for other student needs and real-time visibility into the fund balance.

7. Swearing-In of New Officers

Ms. Ryan swore in the new COF officers for 2026-2028. Ms. Kennedy addressed the Council and shared her vision as chair for the next two years.

8. New Business

Ms. Kuebler encouraged the hiring of undergraduates in firms; Ms. Martin asked that deceased Fellows be recognized on the website.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:58am on Monday, October 13, 2025.