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A Short History Of The Landscape Architecture Canada Foundation /

Don Graham, FCSLA, was a founding force in establishing the predecessor to the Landscape Architecture Canada Foundation (LACF) in the late 1970's. In 1987, the Foundation was reorganized under the new name through the efforts of Don Graham and further developed by a Task Force chaired by Cecelia Paine. Task Force members included Glenn Harrington, Cameron Man, Jim Taylor and Doug Paterson. The Task Force developed guidance for LACF goals, activities and organization. The interim Board was comprised of Don Graham, President; Brad Johnson, Vice President; Jim Taylor, Secretary; Don Pettit, Treasurer; Alex Budrevics, Cecelia Paine; Ed Fife; Robert Gibbs; Vincent Asselin; Peter Jacobs and Doug Paterson.

A report was presented to the CSLA/AAPC Board of Governors at their annual meeting in Halifax in August, 1987 (LACF Task Force Status Report, August 1987). The recommendations from the report were approved and the first meeting under the new structure was held on July 7, 1988, in Winnipeg. The Interim Board stepped down and the new elected Board included Vincent Asselin, Don Graham, Peter Klynstra, Macklin Hancock, Len Novak, Cecelia Paine, and Jim Taylor. The Board elected the following officers: Jim Taylor, President; Vincent Asselin, Vice President; and Cecelia Paine, Secretary Treasurer.

Initial activities included developing a new graphic image for LACF, develop promotional materials, launch a fund raising program and confirm non-LA Board members. Doug Paterson, President of the College of Fellows proposed a "Campaign of Fellows" be established to assist in fund raising. It was suggest that a goal of \$50,000 be raised during the first five years from the College and a total of \$250,000 from all sources.

The mandate for LACF includes to receive and disburse funds in support of research, communication and scholarship to advance the key goals of:

1. Conserving environmental resources,
2. Accommodating the needs of humans in the environment,
3. Promoting sustainable development, and
4. Enhancing aesthetic quality in the landscape.

The long term financial stability of the Foundation is due to the long-time service of Gunter Schoch, FCSLA. The Campaign of Fellows has been a major source of funding for the Foundation. LACF also benefited from a significant bequest from the Francis Blue estate in the 1990s.

Other individuals that made significant contributions to the early development of LACF include Jim Taylor (President), Vincent Asselin (Vice President), Cecelia Paine (Secretary and Grants Chair) and Faye Langmaid (Grants Chair).

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