

SOUTHERN OREGON CHAPTER AIA
Regular Monthly Meeting
March 17, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm in the Adams Room of the Jackson County Library, Medford Branch. Members Gene Abell, Jeffrey Bender, Gary Caperna, Steve Ennis, Brian Hawkins, Todd Jagels, Mark McKechnie, Jac Nickels, Bruce Richey, Robert Seibert, Stuart Smith, Dave Straus and Associate Francis Cerdan were present. Guests included David Stevens and Jana Tepper. The minutes of the meeting are as follows:

Gary Caperna attended Grassroots in Washington, D.C. He met with Wyden, Walden and Merkley.

Gary Caperna, Mark McKechnie and David Thruston are collectively working on presentations for future program meetings.

Dave Thruston, Bev Thruston and Gary Collins are working on the Oregon Design Conference topics that are more relevant to small firms not located in the larger metropolitan areas of Oregon.

AIA Southern Oregon scholarship applications are pending. If the chapter awards a scholarship, AIA National will match the amount next year.

The updated by-laws have been transmitted to the membership.

PROGRAM: EARTH PLASTER

Derek Volkart and Michael Case - Painting and Natural Plaster

Described the composition of earth plaster. There are four finishes - Loma, Porcelina, Marittimo and Enjarre. Adhesion - sanded primer or mud glue to substrate. Thickness 1/32" - 1/16". Material is sprayed on and then troweled to the desired finish. Staining and marks can be removed with water. Highly calcified lime putty adds hardness to the finish and deepens the color. No VOC's. The plaster is mold resistant.

Up to seven LEED credits are possibly available with the use of earth plaster. The recycled content is 72% post industrial by weight.

Costs range from \$1.50 s.f. - \$8.00 s.f. depending on number of coats and the type of finish.

Questions and answers followed the presentation.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 pm.

Submitted by Bruce Richey, AIA, Chapter Secretary.