



## National Organization of Minority Architects Washington DC Chapter

P.O. Box # 77174  
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### Meeting Minutes

#### CHAPTER MEETING

March 3, 2005

#### Attendees:

William Ngutter, Pres  
Reuben Hameed, 1st VP  
Cheryl Amisial, Treasurer  
Kathy Dixon "Acting Secretary"  
Jacqueline Chavis  
Angela Terrell Heath

David Field  
Matthew Watkins  
Marion Thomas  
Desmond Grimball  
Mike Hill

*Meeting commenced at 6:45pm with introductions*

#### Old Business

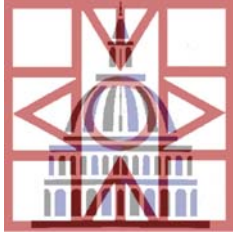
- Membership dues  
-Membership applications were distributed and William reiterated that membership fees are currently due and are necessary for the organization to continue its goals.

#### New Business

- **NEOCON East** Seminar Topics are being solidified for this year's conference in Baltimore, MD September 14-15<sup>th</sup>. Possible topics are "How to start your Own Design Firm" or "The importance of being licensed"; suggested topics are welcome
- **Freemans Cemetary Design Competition** (Alexandria, VA): William discussed the potential design competition for historic cemetery in Alexandria VA. Could potentially be a national/international design competition. Entry fees of \$50 or so would probably be required. We will know by May if funding is available to hold competition. Aug & October are milestones toward execution in 2006. Dean Dzidzienyo at Howard University is willing to help with planning; Mike suggested contacting MLK Memorial Foundation (offices on 3<sup>rd</sup> Flr of Nat'l Bldg Museum) for advice on running a competition; also suggested to be weary of government funds as they take a long time to come to fruition

#### General Discussion / Mentoring

- **Student Summer Internships:** Have a number of organizations that are willing to participate in summer internship program. There will be a screening process for students to get into positions
- **NOMAS Chapters:** UVA and Morgan State have started NOMAS Chapters; Morgan State has invited DC NOMA Officers & Meetings to their **Thursday March 17<sup>th</sup> NOMAS Meeting** at 6:30pm at Admissions Visitor's Center in Institute for Architecture & Planning
- **Dreck Wilson** will give a brief presentation at March 24<sup>th</sup> meeting on African American Architect Gala.



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- **Independent Producer, Angela Terrell Heath** discussed her documentary focusing on the works of African American Architects; needs suggestions of which architects to include in the documentary, individuals should have existing works that can be photographed and documented; attendees suggested using the African-American FAIA list to determine whom to include; also suggested using noted commentators to enhance & supplement actual biographical profiles; suggested architects included Jack Travis, Phil Freelon, McKissack & McKissack, Albert Cassell, H.G. Robinson, Deveraux & Purnell
- David distributed copies of **Homes of Color**; this month's Homes of Color has good article regarding Mary Church Terrell house; **American Legacy** magazine has articles about black architects this month
- Mike announced that **Shaw EcoVillage** needs 5 team leaders for summer projects involving a landscape design component; training starts at the end of June thru mid-August. There is a \$1800-\$2100 stipend. Contact [sev.mikehill@verizon.net](mailto:sev.mikehill@verizon.net) for more information

**Next General Body Meeting date:**

Thursday March 24, 2005 - 6:30 p.m.

Location: National Trust for Historic Preservation

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