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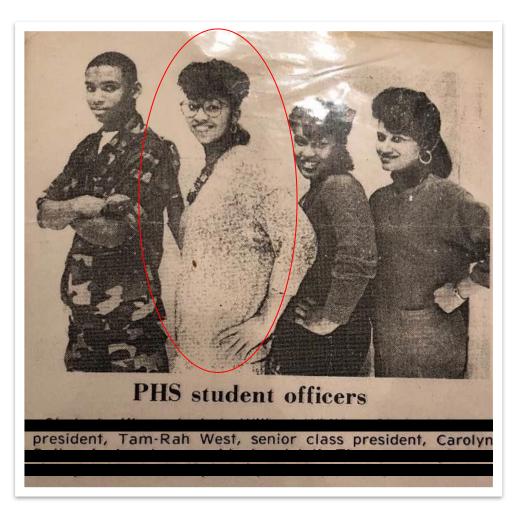


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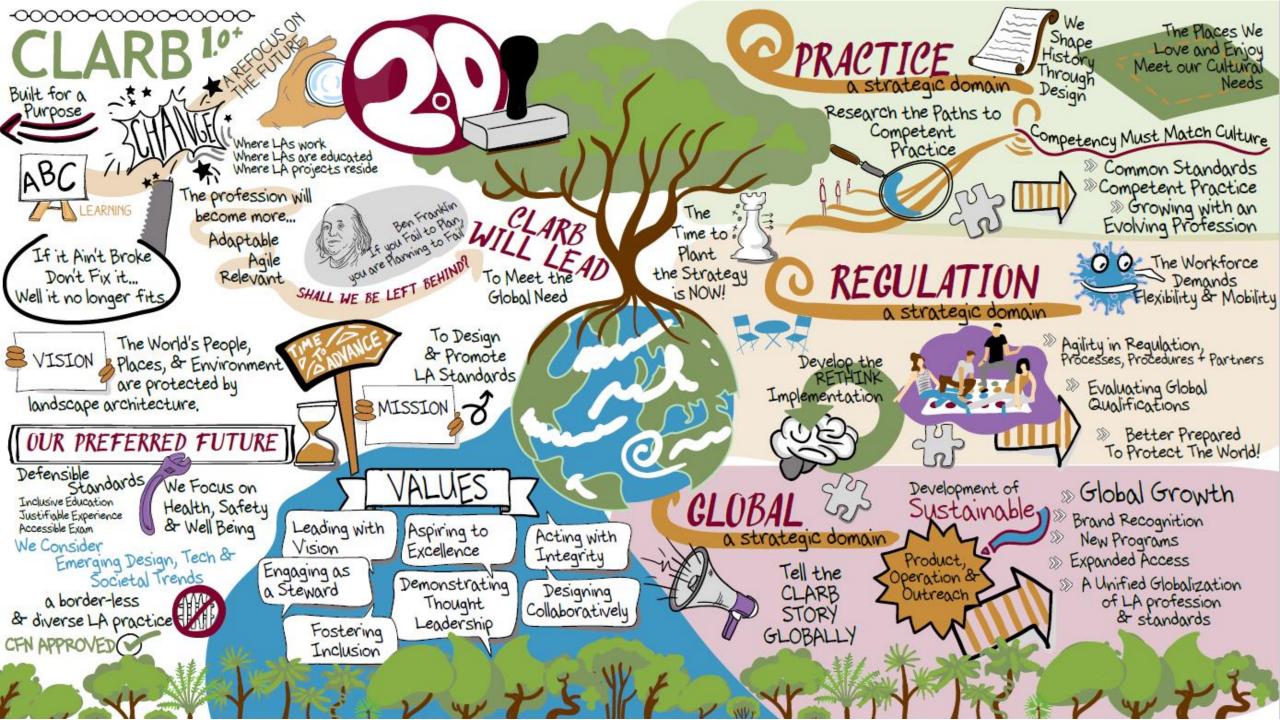
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My first lesson in public speaking



- Inspire and influence people
- Move people to take action
- Share your ideas
- Generate and earn trust
- Motivate change



In today's session...

- Why public speaking skills are essential for regulators
- How to assess your public speaking skills
- What's required to be an impactful speaker
- Public speaking power tips
- Neuroscience and public speaking





Why public speaking skills are essential for regulators



- Powerful leadership skill
- Build trust and credibility
- Create visibility
- Open opportunities for public forums
- Influence customer decisions
- Effective communication

My biggest challenge with public speaking is...

What I am most afraid of is...

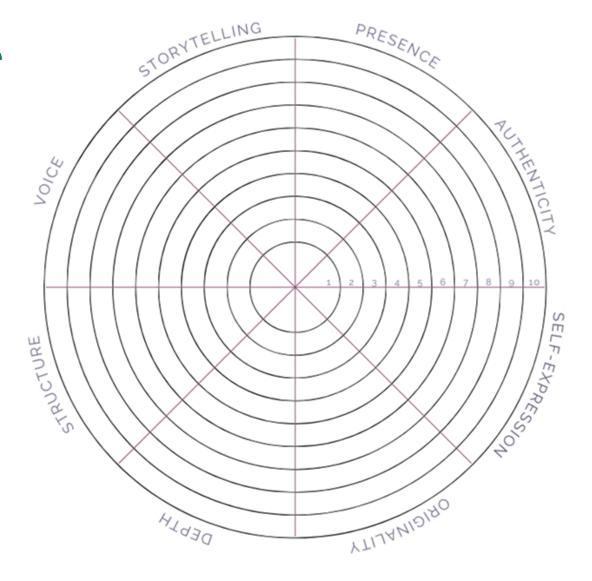
Where I hold myself back is...

What is my experience speaking...

Speaker assessment

Rate yourself on a scale of 1 to 10...

- Presence
- Authenticity
- Self-expression
- Originality
- Depth
- Structure
- Voice
- Storytelling



10 Public Speaking Power Tips

What's required to be an impactful speaker

What's required...

BE IN INTEGRITY



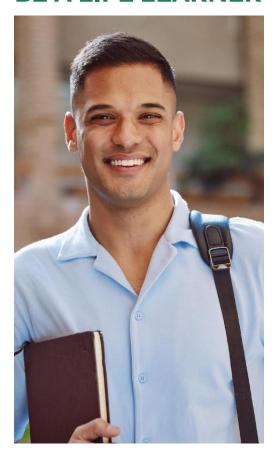
BE HONEST



BE PROFESSIONAL



BE A LIFE LEARNER





What's required...

BE GROUNDED



BE VULNERABLE



BE AWARE



BE WELL-STUDIED



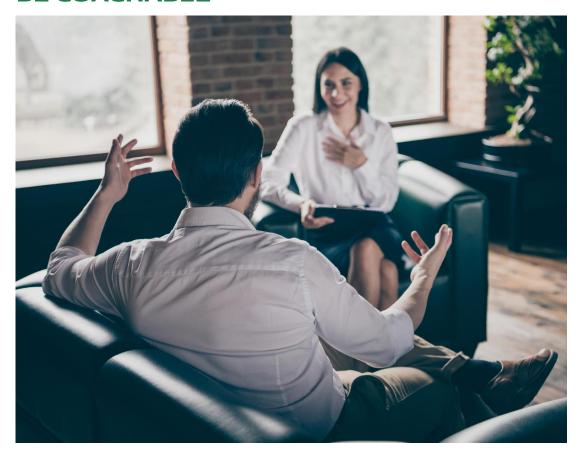


What's required...

BE ENCOURAGING



BE COACHABLE











The human voice is the organ of the soul

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow



RATE (WORDS/MINUTE AVE 133-188)

TONE (MOOD/ATTITUDE)

VOLUME (LOUD/SOFT

PITCH (HIGH/LOW SPEED OF VIBRATION) PACE (FAST/SLOW)

PAUSE (SILENCE) EMPHASIS (STRESS ON WORD)

INFLECTION (RISE/FALL OF VOICE)

RESONANCE (POWER AND FLOW OF VOICE)

Structuring Your Message



Audience Analysis

Who are they?

How do they think?

Where do they live?

What is their culture?

What are their needs?

What experiences do they share?







Creating a strong open

- Keep it concise (1 minute)
- Create a captivating attention grabber
- Answer 3 questions
 - Who are you?
 - Why should I care what you have to say?
 - What information do you have that I need?









Never make a point without telling a story, never tell a story without making a point.

Ed Percival

The purpose of storytelling

- Engagement
- Imagination
- Memorability
- Emotional connection
- Persuasion
- Differentiation
- Inspiration and motivation
- Information transmission
- Empathy



"Stories are remembered up to 22 times more than facts alone."
-Dr.Jennifer Aaker, Stanford Graduate School of Business





Most frequent speaker mistakes



- Lack of practice cycles
- Weak open and/or close
- Ineffective transitions
- No storyline to follow
- Message not tailored to audience
- Flat and low energy delivery
- Not owning your content
- Unconscious distractions

Neuroscience & Public Speaking



Appeal to their selfcenteredness



Focusing on the beginning and the end



Demonstrate importance through contrast



Using a visual metaphor



Emphasize the value of tangibility



Playing an emotional card

Questions?

Resources

- Executive Presence by Sylvia Hewlett
- How to Win Friends and Influence People by Dale Carnegie
- Executive Presence by Harrison Monarth
- Cues by Vanessa Van Edwards
- Talk Like Ted by Carmine Gallo
- The Science of Likeability by Patrick King
- The Four Agreements by Don Miguel Ruiz
- The Mastery of Self by Don Miguel Ruiz, Jr



Thank you!

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Our Panelists



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IFLA is all of us

why we need a united Landscape Architecture Profession

Dr Bruno Marques

IFLA President
Associate Dean, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand



Our core action





Impact of human activity

Habitat destruction

Biodiversity loss

Nature provides irreplaceable goods and services

Why IFLA is needed



- Established in 1948 as the only international non-governmental organization that represents the world's landscape architects
- Increase the visibility and credibility of the profession with international and regional organisations, including various United Nations Agencies
- Develop and promote the profession and discipline of Landscape Architecture
- Establish high standards of education, training, research and professional practice.
- Promote the educational and professional international exchange of knowledge, skills and experience.
- Provide leadership and stewardship in all matters

IFLA plays a critical role in advancing the profession of landscape architecture and promoting the sustainable management and design of natural and built environments

Whom IFLA represents



- 80 member associations
- 5 regions
- More than 100,000 landscape architects
- Profession with more than 1 million landscape architects globally



How IFLA operates



- Our success results from our members' contribution,
- Support through a strong and resourced secretariat
- Efficient organisational structure that takes advantage of new opportunities and changing circumstances.
- IFLA's partnership with our member associations and their involvement is critical to our success.

We highly value the history and body of work contributed by landscape architects globally to the practice and understanding of our profession.

How IFLA is defined

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Vision

 A thought leader reaching out and connecting with the profession of landscape architects globally.

Principles

- Globally connected and progressive.
- Leader and partner.
- Thinker globally and actor locally.
- Distinctive, go-to contact point for the landscape architecture profession.
- Promoter of environmental resilience and sustainability.
- Promoter of a broad understanding of landscape architecture practice.
- Advocate for strong, healthy and resilient communities.
- Supporter of infrastructure investment and green infrastructure.

Recent Milestones

- International Labour Organization's (ILO) definition of landscape architecture
- Global programme for education recognition and accreditation
- UN agencies actively involved: UNESCO, UN-Habitat, UN-EP and WHO
- Establishment of an International Landscape Convention by UN-Habitat
- COP28 for Climate Change (UAE): a landscape architecture-led design framework for climate change, adaptation and mitigation
- COP15 Biodiversity (Canada): development of a framework based on nature-based solutions
- COP29, WUF12, COP16: approval to participate
- MoUs signed: International Society for Urban Health (ISUH), International Association of Horticultural Producers (AIPH), World Green Infrastructure Network (WGIN), Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture (CELA).



Our Global Focus



Climate Action and Biodiversity



Health, Wellbeing and Nature-Based Solutions



Community Participation



Technology and Evidence-Based Design



Food Security



Traditional Knowledge and Indigenous Practices



Climate Action and Biodiversity

As architects of the environment, our profession is well prepared to tackle climate change and biodiversity by creating sustainable designs that inspire a collective responsibility to preserve and protect our planet for future generations



Health, Wellbeing and Nature-Based Solutions

Designing and implementing nature-based solutions in landscape architecture not only promotes the health and wellbeing of individuals but also serves as a powerful reminder of the interconnectedness of humanity and the natural world



Rooftop Haven, Chicago, USA Hoerr Schaudt Landscape Architects

Community Participation

The involvement of diverse community perspectives in landscape architecture enriches the design process and promotes a sense of ownership and pride in the resulting spaces, fostering a more inclusive and sustainable future for all



Technology and Evidence-Based Design

The integration of technology and evidence-based design in landscape architecture can lead to the creation of dynamic and innovative solutions that enhance the built environment and prioritise the health and well-being of the people who inhabit it



Food Security

Landscape architecture has the power to create sustainable and equitable food systems that ensure food security for all while promoting biodiversity and preserving the natural environment



Traditional Knowledge and Indigenous Practices

Integrating traditional knowledge and Indigenous practices in landscape architecture pays tribute to the rich cultural heritage of communities and promotes a more sustainable and holistic approach to design



The Next 12 Months

- Profession recognition and visibility
- Global Professional Standards and Registration
- Strengthen projects and participation with other global bodies
 UN, UN-HABITAT, UNESCO, ICOMOS, IUCN, FAO, ISUH, UIA, ISOCARP to increase visibility and advocacy
- Work with governments in countries where the profession is slowly emerging
- Bring academia and corporate members closer to IFLA
- Knowledge hub where members can share expertise and propose new ways of doing things
- COP 16 (Biodiversity), COP 29 (Climate Change), WUF 12 (Un-Habitat) and COP 16 (Desertification)

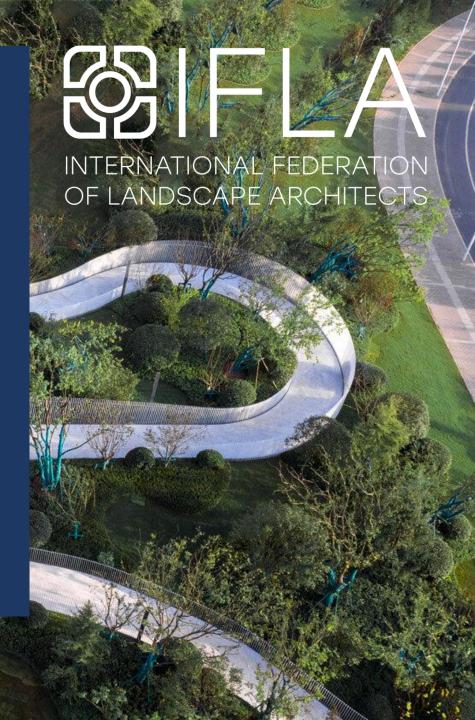
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The success of IFLA depends on the success of its members



- 2. Be a thought leader
- 3. Establish networks that bring people and ideas together
- 4. Advocate for the values on which our profession is grounded
- 5. Work in partnership on all tasks

Key Lessons



60th IFLA World Congress – Code Red for Earth 4-6 September - Istanbul, Turkey

Le:Notre Landscape Forum 24-28 June – Tartu, Estonia

Global Landscape Architecture Conference 8-13 October 2024 – Chinese Taipei

IFLA Europe Regional Conference – Plan(e)tscape 17-18 October 2024 - Budapest, Hungary

Latin American Biennial of Landscape Architecture 18-22 October 2024 – Cali, Colombia

IFLA Middle-East Landscape Architecture Awards
9 November 2024 – Riyadh, Saudi Arabia







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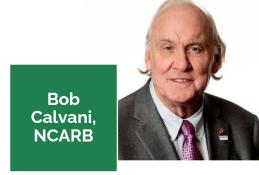
ICOR Practice Overlap: Member Input Session

Friday, September 20, 2024





Presenters











Agenda











Background

Process

Resources

Exercise

Next Steps

What is ICOR?

INTERORGANIZATIONAL COUNCIL ON REGULATION

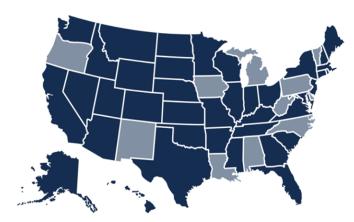








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- **✓** Best practices in regulation of design professions
- ✓ Advocacy for licensure in the public's interest
- ✓ Harmonizing licensure policies, processes and procedures



■ Member Boards shared by 2+ ICOR organizations

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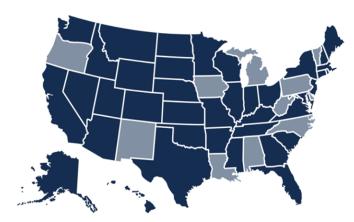








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Background

Bob Calvani, NCARB

PROBLEM

CONFUSION for the public

QUESTIONS from code officials

CONSTERNATION between professionals

FRICTION among licensing boards

HISTORY

ICOR leadership discussion on incidental practice challenges

NCARB launched incidental practice task force

Recommendation from NCARB task force for ICOR-led effort

ICOR Practice Overlap task force launched

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Process

Stacey Crumbaker, CIDQ Brian Robertson, NCEES

The Process and Partnership

BY THE NUMBERS

38

licensed/certified subject matter experts WITH

990+

combined years of experience **FROM**

5

professions

ACROSS

27
jurisdictions

FORMED

6 workgroups

CONTRIBUTING

500+

hours of work

Task Force Charges and Structure

 Develop uniform guidelines and definitions for competent overlap of practice to incorporate into organization models by reference

 Organizational commitment to adopting recommended definition into models

Steering Committee

Architecture Sub-Committee

Engineering Sub-Committee

Interior Design Sub-Committee

Landscape Architecture Sub-Committee

Surveying Sub-Committee

Steering Committee Members

- Wendy Ornelas, Chair
- Two CIDQ representatives: AnnMarie Jackson and Stacey Crumbaker
- Two CLARB representatives: Jerany Jackson and Phil Meyer
- Two NCARB representatives: Robert Calvani and Kristine Harding
- Three NCEES representatives: Scott Bishop, Chris Knotts, and Brian Robertson
- Two Member Board Executives from multi-discipline boards: Julie Hildebrand and Judith Stapley
- One Public Member from multi-discipline board: Brett Foley
- One staff liaison from each organization: Matt Barusch, Josh Batkin, Veronica Meadows, Josh Twitty
- One facilitator/consultant: Suzanna Kelley, McKinley Advisors

Sub-Committee Members

Architecture

- Bob Calvani, Chair
- Paul Edmeades
- Mary Morrisette
- Brad Smith
- Katie Wilson

Engineering

- Brian Robertson, Co-Chair
- Chris Knotts, Co-Chair
- Rich Benton
- Deborah Blackall
- Andrew Bonderer
- Gabe Fleck
- Sherisse Goodwin Jackson
- Jeffrey Greenfield
- Andrea Reynolds
- Tim Rickborn
- Eric Rubottom
- Jayme Schiff

Interior Design

- AnnMarie Jackson, Co-Chair
- Stacey Crumbaker
- Rachelle Schoessler-Lynn
- Susan Ballard
- Rosa Salazar

Landscape Architecture

- Phil Meyer, Chair
- Chip Brown
- Ryan Evitts
- · See-Yin Lim
- Leehu Loon

Surveying

- Doyle Allen
- Cliff Barker
- Jim Riney

INPUTS







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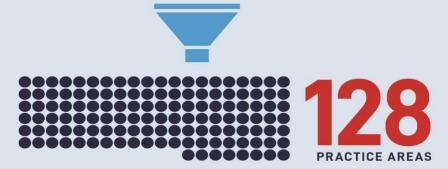
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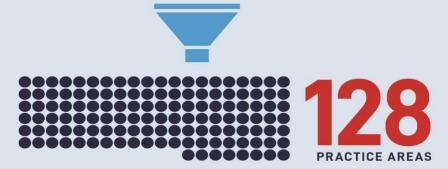
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ANALYSIS



ANALYSIS



Examples







Boundaries
Business Practices
Legal Context
Mathematics

Codes and Regulations
Contract Documents
Professional Practice
Stakeholder Engagement

Environmental Systems
Grading and Drainage
Master Planning
Site Design

Questions?

The Solution

Brian Robertson, NCEES

Deliverables

SOLUTION



Definitions of practice areas for each profession

Guidance for Member Boards on areas of acceptable overlap and scope distinction

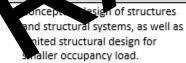
Reference to guidance in Model Laws

Summary Template Example

<u>Engineering Design</u> is the application of engineering principles and the interpretation of engineering data within the boundaries and constraints of ethical standards, consideration of public safety, and the application of scientific principles to solve complex problems.

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ARCHITECT	ENGINEER	INTERIOR DESIGNER	LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT	SURVEYOR			
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PRACTICE BOUNDARIES



- Conceptual design of civil system, as well as limited civil design.
- Conceptual design of electrical/mechanical systems, as well as limited electrical/mechanical design.
- Conceptual site design of grading and drainage systems.
- Universal accessibility providing entrance to a building.

- (AS) Engineering: Perform comprehensive structural engineering design for all occupancy types and calculate seismic restraints for components in significant structures; comprehensive structural engineering design for all occupancy types, retaining walls over a certain height (or per IBC or local jurisdictional requirements) and bridges.
- (CCEG) Engineering: Perform structural design, foundation design, and all aspects of the site (E.G. parking, traffic flow, drainage, utilities) and site functionality and environmental aspects; work on foundations for site structures, (i.e. retaining walls > 4 feet) and seismic restraints; design of foundations for site structures, (gates, backstop netting, retaining walls > 4 feet) and seismic restraints; grading, drainage and stormwater management with regional impacts.
- (ME) Engineering: Perform comprehensive engineering design for all occupancy types, exterior building, street and parking lot lighting and power distribution systems.

 Conceptual design of electrical/mechanical systems. Design of non-habitable structures not requiring occupancy permitting as outlined in IBC/IEBC or jurisdictional requirements. N/A

- Design of site-specific grading, drainage and stormwater management systems, erosion control systems, paving systems, irrigation systems, universal accessibility, and low retaining walls (<4 feet per IBC or local jurisdictional requirements).
- Design of accent/site lighting design.
- Design of biological and botanical systems.

Engineering Design General Definition

The application of engineering principles and the interpretation of engineering data within the boundaries and constraints of ethical standards, consideration of public safety, and the application of scientific principles to solve complex problems.

Discipline-Specific Definitions

Architecture

•Engineering design in architecture includes the integration and coordination of building systems based on design parameters and technical properties. This includes working with design engineers to set fixed limits or boundaries on a building's characteristics to facilitate the analysis and design. These building systems include plumbing, mechanical, electrical and structural engineering systems. Specialty systems include fire and smoke suppression, conveying systems, acoustics, communications and data, and security systems.

Engineering

 Engineering design in engineering is the fundamental aspect that guides the practice of engineering across various professions and disciplines, including adherence to ethical standards. consideration of public safety, and the application of scientific principles to solve complex problems. It may also involve devising a system, component, or process to meet desired needs and specifications within constraints, and engineering standards by an individual who is qualified to practice engineering by reason of engineering education, training, and experience in the application of engineering principles and the interpretation of engineering data.

Interior Design

 Engineering design in interior design focuses on design parameters and integration of interior building systems based on specific design criteria and technical requirements, including the definition of space features. Key building systems include plumbing, mechanical, and electrical engineering, along with specialized systems like fire suppression, acoustics. communication and data infrastructure, lighting and security systems.

Landscape Architecture

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Surveying

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Acceptable Overlap in Engineering Design

Includes conceptual design and the coordination with other design professions to define parameters for performance, integrate engineering systems and components.

Practice Boundaries in Engineering Design

Architecture

- Conceptual design of structures and structural systems, as well as limited structural design for smaller occupancy load.
- •Conceptual design of civil system, as well as limited civil design.
- Conceptual design of electrical/mechanical systems, as well as limited electrical/mechanical design.
- Conceptual site design of grading and drainage systems.
- Universal accessibility providing entrance to a building.

Engineering

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Exercise

Phil Meyer, CLARB

Scenario—Engineering Design

A landscape architect was hired by a local municipality to design a new community park. The park's design includes several key features: a playground, walking trails, open green spaces, and a tile mosaic mural attached to a retaining wall. The retaining wall varies in height: it is generally 3.5 feet tall, but for a 20-foot section where the mural is located, the wall increases to 6 feet in height.

During the project's review phase, the local building code official flagged the retaining wall in the plans. They noted that while the 3.5-foot wall falls within typical landscape architecture scope, the 6-foot section could potentially require additional structural considerations, especially because it is intended to support a heavy, weather-resistant mural. Concerned about the structural integrity and safety of the taller wall, the code official files a formal complaint with the landscape architecture licensure board.

The code official argues that the 6-foot section of the wall may exceed the typical scope of practice for a landscape architect and may require the expertise of a structural engineer. The complaint states that the landscape architect may have practiced beyond the legal scope defined by state regulations for landscape architects. Specifically, the code official is concerned that the structural aspects of the wall, particularly the section supporting the mural, could pose a risk if not properly engineered.

Report Out

- What decision did your group come to and why?
- Does designing and stamping a retaining wall of this height and function fall within or outside of this scope?
- Consider whether the inclusion of a structural element, like a 6-foot retaining wall supporting a mural, requires the expertise of a structural engineer. Should the landscape architect have consulted or collaborated with an engineer?



Scenario—Site Design

A landscape architect filed a complaint with the Architecture Licensure Board against an architect regarding the design and development of a 20-acre urban farm. The urban farm is intended as a sustainable, multifunctional space, featuring an onsite restaurant sourced by the farm, a retail store, a coffee shop, and spaces for seasonal community events and a weekend farmers market. The project also includes infrastructure elements like parking, pedestrian and bike connections, onsite stormwater management systems including bio basins, and rain gardens.

The architect's sealed plans included:

- All the buildings on the site, including the restaurant, retail store, coffee shop and pavilions.
- A large parking area to accommodate customers visiting the farm, restaurant, retail store, and other amenities.
- Multiple pedestrian pathways and bike lanes to facilitate safe access throughout the site.
- Stormwater management solutions, including bio basins and rain gardens, to treat and manage stormwater runoff.
- Grading, plant selections and the layout of green spaces to complement the buildings and provide a cohesive site design.

The landscape architect maintains that the design of stormwater management systems, including bio basins and rain gardens, requires specialized knowledge of hydrology, plant selection, and ecological systems, which are typically within the landscape architecture scope. The complaint further states that grading, site planning, and the integration of hardscape elements with planting require detailed analysis of topography, soil conditions, and spatial organization—tasks usually performed by landscape architects and are generally outside the typical scope of architectural practice.

Report Out

- What decision did your group come to and why?
- Did the architect exceed their professional scope by designing elements that typically require landscape architecture expertise?
- Should the architect have collaborated with a landscape architect for the site design elements?



We Want Your Feedback!

 As a regulator, was the profession-by-profession comparison in the detailed template helpful to you in making a decision on the scenarios we reviewed? Or was the information contained in the summary template enough?

• What additional feedback do you have on the templates to make them more helpful to you?

Timeline

Stacey Crumbaker, CIDQ

Next Steps

- Complete draft definitions and analysis
- Develop member resources
- Share resources with members and gather feedback

PROBLEM CONFUSION for the public **QUESTIONS** from code officials

CONSTERNATION between professionals

FRICTION among licensing boards

HISTORY

ICOR leadership discussion on incidental practice challenges

NCARB launched incidental practice task force

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Recommendation from NCARB task force for ICOR-led effort



ICOR Practice Overlap task force launched



ICOR task force analysis of practice areas



ICOR task force development of guidance

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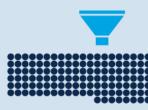












BY THE NUMBERS

licensed/certified subject matter experts

ACROSS

combined years of experience

professions

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workgroups

FORMED

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ANALYSIS



SOLUTION



Definitions of practice areas for each profession

Guidance for Member Boards on areas of acceptable overlap and scope distinction

Reference to guidance in Model Laws



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Friday, September 20, 2024





Presenters













Agenda

- Background
- Summary of the preliminary recommendations
- Small group discussions
- Next steps



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Bylaws Workgroup Objectives



Evaluate the effectiveness of the 2019 governance changes.



Consider best practices in non-profit governance.



Identify opportunities for further exploration and possible refinement.



Workgroup Members

- Nicole Crutchfield, Chair and CLARB Director-at-Large
- Adriana Hernandez Aguirre, CLARB Director-at-Large
- Blair Parker, Tennessee MBM
- Bryce Olberding, Idaho MBM
- Carrie Rybczynski, long-time CLARB volunteer
- Cary Baird, CLARB Past President
- Erin Jennings, CIDQ President
- Mark Vaughn, long-time CLARB volunteer
- Rob Lopez, New York MBE

Guiding Principles

- Leave "clean"
- Welcome uncomfortable conversations
- Address the "elephants" in the room
- Develop recommendations that are best for CLARB, not individuals or individual jurisdictions
- Challenge orthodoxies
- Be responsive, responsible to complete work
- Be open minded
- Be creative

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Board/LAC Input

Workgroup Input Leading Practice (AMC)

Authority Accountability (AMC)

Inputs for identifying areas of focus for governance review

Bylaws Review for Refinement (Objectives 2 + 3)



Preliminary Recommendations

Competitive Elections

- The LAC vets and recommends single candidates for Board officer positions.
- Board of Directors approves LAC officer recommendations.
- No formal vote of the membership is required.

Eligibility to Serve as President

- Must be a licensed Landscape Architect OR have served on the CLARB Board in the last three years.
- Member feedback will be helpful in finalizing this recommendation.

Regional Structure

 No regions defined in the bylaws. (removal of regions from CLARB)

Bylaws Threshold

 Two-thirds (2/3) of member boards voting at an annual or special meeting

DAL Terms

- Term 1 3 years
- Term 2 2 years

Treasurer/Finance Committee

- Eliminate Treasurer role and reconfigure Finance Committee to include 1—3 DALs along with President-Elect, President and Past-President.
- President-Elect assumes duties of Treasurer.
- DAL term on FC is 1 year; can be reappointed; appointed by Pres, approved by BOD.
- CEO serves as Secretary.

LAC Eligibility

 Majority of the LAC must be licensed landscape architects or MBEs.

Membership Meetings

 One special meeting of the membership required annually (outside of the AM).

Membership Removal Threshold

 No formal recommendation at this time. Not that big of a problem to rock the boat right now.

BOD Eligibility

 Not a problem; keep as is (The majority of the members of the Board of Directors must be licensed landscape architects from a member board jurisdiction.)

Succession Planning

- Workgroup recommends no changes to the bylaws on this topic, however:
- The Work Group encourages the LAC and CLARB Board Executive Committee to work collaboratively to plan for leadership positions further out (up to two years)

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- Work Group recommends no fundamental changes to the bylaws on this topic.
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WORKGROUP FINALIZATION OF
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DECEMBER 2024BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONSIDERATION OF FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS

NO EARLIER THAN APRIL 2025 MEMBERSHIP VOTE

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