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Updates for Board Meeting
October 20, 2009
Fall Conference – Kennewick, WA

Strategic Plan

One of my top priorities will be to update our Chapter's Strategic Plan, which was last revised in 2003. I will be meeting with the Past President's Council on Wednesday at the conference to get their guidance and feedback to develop a plan for moving forward and a budget to complete the work. I plan on sharing an outline of the plan at the January Board Meeting for discussion by the Board and action planning.

2010 Budget

I will be working with Art to put our Budget together for 2010, which will be presented at our December Board meeting for approval. Please send any/all requests for items to be included in the budget to me by November 2, 2009.

Sustainability Summit

As you know, at the Spring Conference in Tacoma, the Sustainability Committee Chair, Michael Mucha, presented the Board with a strategic plan for moving sustainability forward in our chapter and profession (attached). At that time the committee stated that the next step is to hold a Sustainability Summit with the Board and all Committee Chairs to open up more dialogue and develop some action plans for continuing forward.

The summit has been scheduled for Friday, November 20, from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at the City Center Bellevue Conference Center. I sent out an email to everyone with directions. It will be facilitated by Michael Mucha. Michael, Mike Terrell, and I will be getting together on November 4th to plan and put together an Agenda and lay out the issues to be discussed. It is important to note that we will not be finished with our work on this issue after this meeting. This is another important step in moving sustainability forward. Out of this Forum will come some additional actions and direction. It will be fun and engaging. I am looking forward to all of your ideas, energy, and input.

One question I have is around lunch. We are planning to be done with our work on the 20th by lunch. We have a couple of options. We could just call it good and everyone could hit the road, or if you want, we can have lunch together before we leave and take advantage of the opportunity to network a bit. Either way works, let me know your preference.

Conference Update

The theme for both the Spring and Fall Conferences will be "Building Our Extraordinary Future", which coincidentally will be the theme of my presidency☺. Planning is well underway for Spring and Fall conference planning will kick-off with a meeting at the Kennewick Conference.