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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Your executive committee values our engagement with students studying Landscape Architecture in the two State Universities with programs in our field of study: Florida International University in Miami, and The University of Florida in Gainesville. Close interaction with the faculty and students in both programs fosters a terrific sense of community within our profession, and offers the students valuable opportunities for mentorship and guidance from professional landscape architects around our State. Your executive committee visits both Universities once per year in order to conduct our monthly meeting so that the faculty and students of the universities can join us together in discussing issues within our profession.

The last weekend of February, EX COMM visited 'THE SWAMP', at the University of Florida (for those reading this who may not be aware of the location where gators reside). On Friday, we were invited into the classrooms to sit in on student presentations and enjoyed seeing the amazing work the students were doing. In the evening, we attended the Ed Stone Lecture at the University and enjoyed more fellowship. Our executive committee monthly "face to face" meeting was held the next day on Saturday at the beautiful new office space of CHW - a planning, design, surveying, engineering, and construction firm where two of our executive committee members are employed.

I want to extend a personal sentiment of gratitude to all of the faculty and students at the University of Florida for welcoming us so graciously on campus during our executive committee weekend at the University of Florida. Also, a gigantic thank you goes out to Laurie Hall and Kevin White for arranging our meetings in the beautiful new facility of CHW!

Warmly,

Deena Bell-Llewellyn, ASLA FL President 2018