



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
SANTA FE, NM  
SEPTEMBER 14-15, 2012**

Talking Points

Treasurer's/Finance and Audit Committee Report

The Board approved an amendment to the AIA Rules of the Board to suspend budgeted contributions to net assets through 2014.

Repositioning the Institute Update

The Board received an update on the results of input from the more than 30,000 people contacted as part of the surveys and interviews done on the repositioning initiative. Hypotheses were reviewed, and discussion will continue at the Board meeting in December.

Contract Documents/ ACD5 Update

There was a demonstration of the most recent version of the ACD5 product (i.e., the new Contract Documents product with a Web-based platform).

Further, the Board authorized the EVP/Chief Executive Officer to execute a contract not to exceed \$750,000 to maintain the existing AIA Contract Documents ACD4 software and publish documents on the current desktop platform for the two-year period beginning January 1, 2013, and concluding December 31, 2014.

Council on Emerging Professionals Update

The Board received a report on emerging professionals. This included a review of the Young Architects Forum Summit 20. Among the top issues by the forum were: advancement of the profession; career advancement; value of design; starting a firm; value of licensure; and economy and change.

Diversity Reminder

Members of the Board were invited to sign the Gateway Commitment, as a reminder of the Institute's commitment to increasing diversity in the profession.



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Guest Speaker: James L. E. Terry, AIA  
Revisions to the Americans With Disabilities  
Act and the Impact on the Profession

James Terry, AIA, addressed the Board on recent changes in ADA requirements, and their possible impact on the practice of architecture.

Convention Matters

President Potter reported that the venue for the 2017 AIA National Convention had changed to Orlando, FL, and that the site of the 2022 convention would be Chicago.

Election of the 2013-2015 Public Director

As its 2013-2015 Public Director, the Board elected Dr. Mindy Fullilove, Professor of Clinical Psychiatry and Sociomedical Sciences and co-director, Community Research Group of the New York State Psychiatric Institute and Columbia University's School of Public Health.

Preparation for the 2013 Accreditation  
Review Conference of the National  
Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB)

The Board engaged in breakout discussions to provide input on the white paper the AIA will submit for the 2013 NAAB Accreditation Review Conference. The next draft will be shared with the Executive Committee in October, prior to presentation to the Board for final action in December.

Discussion: Proposal to Amend the AIA  
Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct

The Board amended the Code of Ethics to add a Rule to require members who "have agreed to work with individuals engaged in an architectural internship program or an experience requirement for licensure [to] reasonably assist in proper and timely documentation in accordance with that program."

Proposed Amendments to the AIA Rules of  
the Board re: Continuing Education

There was a discussion on proposed amendments to the Rules of the Board regarding the AIA's continuing education requirements for Architect members, including those relating to reinstatement of lapsed members and sunseting the requirement for sustainable design (SD) hours. This conversation will continue in December, when presented for action.



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Awards Task Force Update

The Board was informed that the work of the task force would be held until the repositioning initiative was completed, to ensure that its recommendations were consistent with the results of that initiative.

2013 Planning

The Board engaged in discussions about prioritization of Institute projects for 2013. Feedback was shared with management and will be taken into account as the 2013 operating plan and budget are developed this fall, prior to presentation to the Board for action in December.