

Minutes: AIA New England Quarterly Meeting

February 22, 2012, 12:00 pm

290 Congress St, Boston

Present:

Russ Learned AIA	AIANE Treasurer (CT)
Greg Spiess AIA	President-Elect AIANE (RI)
Michael Hoffmann	Treasurer AIANE (VT)
Lorin Starr	Exec. Director, AIAWM
Casey Nicholson AIA	RAD
Nicole Martineau AIA	YAF Liaison (NH)
Mohamad Farzan AIA	Regional Director (RI)
Ann Fienman	Deputy Director, BSA
Diane Harp Jones	EVP AIACT
Peter Kuttner FAIA	VP-AIA
Carolyn Isaak	Exec. Director AIANH and AIANE
Laura Wernick AIA	BSA VP
Mike Davis FAIA	BSA
Martha Montgomery AIA	AIAWM, AIAMA
Michael Hoffman AIA	AIANE Past President
Dale Doller AIA	AIANH President

1. President's Report

Russ welcomed people and gave optimistic few of coming year.

2. Regional Directors' Report

Mohamad: CE requirements change to 12 HSW credits, 18 remains as total number. Susan White Kelly is the AIA liaison to NCARB, if you want to send comments. AIA programs are generally better than ones from outside providers. Also, AIA maintains the transcript system. Moving deadline to January would be very helpful, also with state requirements.

When architects are notified of CEU shortage, members are glad to be updated AIACT calls each person. All components help members make up their shortage.

Emeritus: Proposed changes for Emeritus status are age 70 and retired. Individuals must meet both criteria. The amendment will be up for vote at the convention and can happen in a year. (In CT there is a license for retired architects. One can have a license and be called an architect, but not stamp drawings. AIACT sees less engagement from emeritus members in Chapter activities.

USGBC: members are able to receive credit through USGBC and get AIA credit. But can't take AIA program and get USGBC credit. USGBC has created a pathway for AIA chapters to become registered providers, but the fee is large enough that it is not economically feasible. Requirements for reporting out and registering are complicated.

Grassroots: Mohamad urged that we make sure a delegate is there from our components.

International Chapter: The formation of international chapter is being proposed. This would be for all the different people who are members from many different countries, for anyone not in the US or its possessions. By-law is being crafted.

FYI: A single AIA National board director represents 1.75 - 4% of the membership. (Greg Ames)

Advocacy issues to take to Capitol Hill. The issues aren't solely for architects, lots of people will benefit. They are always positive societal recommendations. Issues are on the AIA website.

3. Regional Associates Director:

James Evarard is shadowing Casey this year. He works for Michael Rosenfeld in MA. Was working in RI where he created a learning library for architects.

Casey has been developing a task list along with other regions to help with continuity. NAC has three items of focus: Advocacy, education, knowledge and programming. Casey sits on the latter. They are putting together sessions at Grassroots. RAD report gets distribute locally (BSA). She sends to other components to send it out. She thinks it goes out to all Associates from National.

4. YAF Liaison

Nicole: trying to improve communication among the region's states. Had their first conference call 2/21. There are 18 YAF liaisons across the country. Each region is starting from ground zero every two years, so if can communicate across borders will help with continuity.

She is working on website for all NE YAs.

Gregg Glenn and she have been working on mentorship. BSA is holding a speed mentoring program. Please encourage young architects and others in your firms to attend to attend AIA events and participate, as well as other programs like Architects for Humanity, etc. See attached quarterly report for New England YAF.

5. Reserve Policy:

Michael and Russ tasked with creating policy. They've shared ideas and will have something on paper for May meeting. Looking at incremental dues raises to balance decreasing reserves. Plan will be revisited every year.

6. Chapter Reports:

Please see Chapter Reports document

7. Financial Report

Carolyn handed out the Financial Reports. We did better than was projected for they year, mainly due to some people not attending conferences that we had budgeted for.

8. Other

AIANE Awards: Might be good to decide where and when awards will be shown so components can plan ahead.

Nicole put forth having the YAF Liaison be a board member and funded to do some programming. Russ suggested she put forth a proposal at the next meeting. Also, should there be a list of next people to go to Grassroots if one of the designated officers can't go. Must stress that officers are required to attend, part of job description.

Peter K: practice analysis is coming out this year. Survey run by NCARB but with all five collatorals. It is done every 6 years. It tries to find out the conditions of the industry, what new things practitioners are doing. 2012 should also look at guidelines for education and continue to update IDP and ARE, etc. It will also go to licensed faculty.

Ann will have Billy Craig contact Diantha about showing AIANE awards at Arhitecuture X.

Adjourned at 2:52 pm

Moved by Chris, Seconded by Casey.