

## **AIANE Regional Quarterly Board Meeting BSA, Boston, MA**

August 19, 2015  
Noon

### **Present:**

Judy Johnson AIA	President-Elect, AIANE; President, AIAME
Diantha Korzun AIA	President, AIANE (VT)
Carolyn Isaak, Hon. AIANH	Exec. Director AIANH and AIANE
Jeannette Schram	Exec. Director, AIAME
Jen Zolkos	Exec. Director, AIARI
Katie Wetherbee Assoc. AIA	RAD 2015-2016 (ME)
Michael Hoffmann AIA	NE Regional Representative (VT)
Diane Jones	Executive, AIACT
Vada Seccareccia, Assoc. AIA (phone)	Treasurer AIANE (RI)
Chris Walsh AIA	Central MA
Gary Corey AIA	VP, AIAVT
Martha Montgomery AIA	Past President, AIANE (WMA)
Lorin Starr	Executive Director, AIA WMA
Phil Cerrone AIA	President, AIACT
Rich Connell AIA	NE Regional Representative (CT)
Lisa Rovner AIA	President, AIAVT
Elise Woodward AIA	President, AIAMA
John Robinson AIA	National Disaster Assistance Committee (WMA)
Eric White	Executive Director, BSA
Conor MacDonald	Membership/Committee Relations, BSA

### **1. President's Report**

Diantha K called the meeting to order, and introductions were made.

Diantha noted some attendance additions to the April minutes. Add on: Eric White, Phil Cerrone, Steve Kredell, and Lisa Rovner.

Phil motioned to accept the minutes with changes; Chris seconded. Approved.

Diantha noted the loss of Sho-Ping, who passed away last June. The BSA is working on a video to celebrate her life.

Next year's meetings were set for:

Feb. 3, BSA

*Feb. 23-25 in Detroit, Grassroots Leadership conference*

April 27, BSA

*July 18-22, Grassroots Advocacy in DC*

August 24, BSA

Early Oct/late September at AIANE Annual Awards in Maine

The November AIANE Board meeting was changed to October 30, to be held at the AIANE Annual Meeting in Connecticut.

Mission statement, approved last fall, was reviewed and updates to values discussed. The Mission statement will be voted on at the Annual Meeting, October 30, as a by-law change. Values were approved and will be added on to the website and into the Board Manual.

**NE Disaster Assistance Committee Representative:**

John Robinson AIA reported that the AIA Disaster Committee is there to help us set up a program in our state, or to use as a resource.

He noted that a person is covered for liability if volunteers sign up with an established AEER program, your state has Good Sam legislation, and you have an agreement with Homeland Security. However, volunteers must agree to respond within three hours of being called.

FEMA is looking at regulations to make sure that States have Disaster Response programs to release funding.

**Nominations:**

We are looking for a secretary/treasurer for next year. Components should make suggestions, ideally someone from NH, MA, CT. Also need a nominee for the 2017-2019 Regional Representative to the Strategic Council. This should be someone from ME, VT, NH, WMA, Central MA, or RI. The Strategic Council sets vision and would welcome broader view of the profession (4 meetings per year in person and approx. 1 phone call per month). Send suggestions to Diantha and Carolyn.

**AIANE Role, etc.:**

Eric provided three scenarios for future role of AIANE Exec. Director. Component execs will meet on September 22 and will discuss this. Board should give it some thought. Scenarios will be distributed. Changes that are happening nationally should be reflected in the way we operate. Overall feeling is that there is tremendous value for the region to speak with one voice, so AIANE Board itself is critical.

**Financials:**

Financial statement was reviewed. Preliminary 2016 budget distributed. This will be finalized and voted on at Oct. 30 meeting.

**National Directors Report**

Strategic Council meeting at Convention. They've also had webinars with 40-50 people calling in. Study groups have been formed, and they are looking at Council composition by adding more diversity. Basically they are a strategic think tank. They are working on a strategic plan, which was distributed, and we are asked to share with our members and give feedback.

**AIANE Regional Associate Director Report**

- National Associates Committee launched a "We Are Associate"

Campaign. Promoting young professionals to become Associate AIA members.

- Regionally I would like to pick up where we left off in the spring trying to get a group of emerging professionals together in the New England Region.
- NCARB announced the removal of the word “intern” to describe those who are working on becoming architects versus those who are already licensed architects.

**Annual Meeting & Design Awards:**

AIANE Board meeting at 12:30; 4:00 lecture; 5:15-6:30 Reception; 6:30-9:00: dinner and awards. There is a fee for the dinner, but all else is free. Everyone invited. Info:

<http://aiact.org/awards-program/aia-new-england-awards/>

**Chapter Reports: see separate documents**

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Submitted by Carolyn Isaak, Executive Director