



AIA New England Regional Council

AIANE Regional Council Annual Meeting

February 13, 2019

12-2:42 pm

BSA, Boston, MA

Present:

Paul Bourbeau AIA	President, AIANE (NH)
Helen Fantini AIA	President-Elect, AIANE (AIA WMA)
Lorin Starr	Executive Director, AIA WMA
Katelyn Chapin AIA	NE Young Architects Regional Director (CT) 2018-2019
Jeannette Schram	Executive Director, AIAME
Nancy Ludwig FAIA	College of Fellows Representative (BSA)
Jim LaPosta FAIA	College of Fellows Representative (CT)
George McGoldrick AIA	VP, AIACT
Elizabeth Cox AIA	Secretary-Treasurer, AIANE (BSA)
Eric White	Executive Director, BSA
Glenn Gollenberg AIA	President, AIACT
Bonnie Kastel	Executive Director, AIANH
Tracy Kozak AIA	President-Elect, AIANH
Tom Hartman AIA	Upcoming Strategic Council Representative (AIA WMA)
Judith Johnson AIA	Strategic Council Representative (AIAME)
Danielle McDonough AIA	Strategic Council Representative (BSA)

By Phone:

Sarah O Donnell	Executive Director, AIA VT
Jonathan Matthew Taylor, AIA	President-Elect, AIARI
Darrell Swanson AIA	President-Elect, AIA CMA
Caroline Stevens	Executive Director, AIARI

1. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Paul Bourbeau opened the meeting at 12:05. Introductions around the table and on phone call
Acceptance of meeting minutes. Motion – seconded by Tom Hartman. No discussion, minutes approved

Presidents Goals:

- Important to review and discuss the new Green Deal (?) by freshman congresswoman
- Designers and architects can have a huge impact on the environment and we should be talking about these issues. We can focus on speaking with our congress people regarding these issues

2. **GRASSROOTS:**

- Briefing sessions will be at Capitol Hill, everyone will talk to their delegations, all meetings have been set up by AIA National
- Social will be at the Library of Congress with Congress people and aides

- Dinner for New England Region (Dinner will be Thursday, March 7, 6:30 pm, at City Tap, 901 9th St. NW. We have a private room. Cost details will be coming by email)
- Tuesday at the AIA Headquarters, Wednesday night at the Library of Congress

3. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Carolyn sent out previously, no questions from the group. Paul B. motion to accept the financial report, second George McGoldrick

4. AIA NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE AND AWARDS

- 279 submissions last year for awards
- \$175 for first submission, \$100 for subsequent for members
- \$36,525 in submission income, similar to past years
- Jury was all from Washington, DC, and was most of the expenses
- 140 attendees at celebration (\$150), \$50 for EPs (51 in attendance),
- -17,400 in generated income, close to expenses, nearly break even on event
- Presentations were by Latrobe Prize Winners – about 140 in attendance
- Recommendations:
 - Help the jury recognize the different types of projects, perhaps break the awards into sub-categories
 - Refund policy language on the website for next year
 - Jury reviewed package before meeting together, maybe increase jury time to two days to make it more equitable
- Agree that breaking into sub-categories, Lorin suggested having categories that are consistent year to year.
- Eric W. – may want to consider revising guidelines around expectations surrounding sustainability and EDI for the firm. Firms should meet requirements of these tenants with a checkbox
- Katelyn C. – one of the regions as a part of YAF, firms must meet Emerging Friendly Award before being able to submit for Regional Awards
- Maybe have a more integrated EP event for the social (offsite), could have an EP meeting area

Western Massachusetts:

- Awards open a bit earlier for next year around early June and due in August. Conference on Saturday Oct 5th at U Mass Amherst. board meeting at 12p, with tours and discussions
- Keynote speaker Charles Mann (author)
- Lorin S. to give suggestions about hotels (list of places to stay), but will not reserve a block of rooms
- Eric. W strongly recommend breaking out the categories
- Long discussion of categories – should we have a longer discussion in the future?
- “Projects of the Cheap” and “Sketch” category
- What is a “Small project?” – under a million? Over a million?
- Create task force of EDs to create categories – for acceptance at the May 22nd meeting

5. STRATEGIC COUNCIL:

- Judy Johnson presented slides
- Danielle McDonough new to Strategic Council and Tom Hartman (taking Judy Johnson’s place beginning 2020)

- Bruce Turner new moderator for SC, pulled together a slide show of what the council is
- Danielle class representative for the SC, on the Steering committee, Judy on the Rules Committee, Danielle also on the Strategic Planning Committee (New England was previously not represented, now on all 3).
- Discussion on work groups, Judy to send links about the work products
- New England can make it a priority to send at-large members to the Board, 2 year position, will be a process for submitting resumes
- How is the Strategic Council reaching out to members to solicit feedback? Could a digital poll be implemented that goes out to all members?

6. RAD REPORT:

See attached report.

7. YARD REPORT:

See attached report.

1. COLLEGE OF FELLOWS:

See attached report.

Goals:

- Promote research and scholarly work
- Looking to provide more mentorship to EPs and scholarships and sponsorships
- Looking to sustain the College more by having Fellows financially support programs
- Path to Fellowship – new publication, demystifying Fellowship
- How do you make awards more accessible to members
- Fellows Dinner – Thursday, April 18th. Newly named Fellows will be invited

8. ISSUES FOR GRASSROOTS:

- Reviewed key issues from the Component Guide: Capitol Hill Day 2019
 - Tax Deduction Section 179D
(Glenn Gollenberg later sent this link for general information on the energy tax program: <https://www.energy.gov/eere/buildings/179d-commercial-buildings-energy-efficiency-tax-deduction>)
 - School Safety – school design best practices, new NFPA to address school security, only a few
 - States have school safety guidelines, modify guidelines for the grant to specify how money can be spent. CT guidelines are on the government website
- Miscellaneous:
 - Fontiva: new dues collection software at National and a discount for components to use the same software
 - ArchiPrep – new AIA material studies available summer 2019, initially free

9. TOPICS FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- AIA New Hampshire: coordinating AIA COTE summit, June 13-14, keynote speakers Maryann Lazerus, attendees from COTE chapters, any organizations or individuals that could contribute to this demand (regulatory, energy, finance, etc.) send names to AIA New Hampshire (Tracy).
- AIA National Conference: who we are supporting, resolutions, etc.
- Region specific feedback to the Strategic Council

10. Meeting adjourned at 2:42 pm.

Minutes at the meeting taken by Elizabeth Cox; formatted by CI for distribution.

Continue on to following pages for Strategic Council Report, RAD Report, YARD Report, Western MA report, and College of Fellows Report.

Upcoming Council Meetings

May 22, 12-3 pm, at the BSA

August 21, 12-3 pm, at the BSA

October 5 at the AIANE Annual Awards + Annual Meeting hosted by AIA Western Massachusetts. Time TBD

Upcoming AIA Events

AIA Grassroots: March 6-8, Washington, DC

AIA Conference on Architecture: June 6-8, 2019, Las Vegas

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We held our bi-annual awards program in December. Thanks to AIA Maine for jurying the awards.

We are offering continuing education credits for the BCT (Building Construction Technology) lecture series at UMass. This provides opportunities for our members to pick up 3-4 HSW credits at minimal cost.

Monday, February 11 | 4:00-5:15 | 170 Design Building

MEASURING SUSTAINABILITY & IMPLEMENTING SUSTAINABLE SYSTEMS AT UMASS –1 HSW
Ezra Small, MS: Campus Sustainability Manager at the University of Massachusetts

Monday, March 4 | 4:00-5:15 | 162 Design Building UMass/Amherst

THE ROLE OF ENERGY MODELING IN BUILDING DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION –1 HSW
Peter Levy, MS: Principal GreenEngineers

Monday, March 25 | 4:00-5:15 | 170 Design Building UMass/Amherst

MAKING NET ZERO HOMES AND ENERGY RETROFITS AFFORDABLE –1 HSW
Kent Hicks, Kent Hicks Construction

Monday, April 22 | 4:00-5:15 | 170 Design Building UMass/Amherst

DIVERSITY IN CONSTRUCTION: CHANGING AN INDUSTRY
Lisa Clauson: Director of Strategic Partnerships for the New England Carpenters Labor Management Program (NECLMP) in Central and Western MA

Our COTE Committee Meetings for the spring each include a “green bite” discussion topic

Tuesday, March 12 | 4:30 PM | Kuhn Riddle Architects, Amherst MA
COTE Committee Meeting

Green Bite: Megan McDonough about Pioneer Valley Habitat for Humanity’s “Just Big Enough” homes

Tuesday, April 16 | 4:30 PM | Kuhn Riddle Architects, Amherst MA
COTE Committee Meeting

Green Bite: Kent Hicks joins the discussion on high performance buildings

Tuesday, May 21 | 4:30 PM | Kuhn Riddle Architects, Amherst MA
COTE Committee Meeting

Green Bite: Ben Weil applies lessons learned through a phased deep energy retrofit on his own 1790-vintage house to devise cost-effective deep energy reductions for municipal and commercial buildings

Our films series resumes March 6. Women in Architecture meeting April 2 and we’re planning a code program later in the spring.



To: **AIA New England**
From: Nancy Ludwig FAIA

College of Fellows Update for the AIA New England Board

AIA College of Fellows Fund Campaign -- The College of Fellows ExCom is clarifying our mission and our values, as we appeal to members to contribute to the programs we support:

1. Promote Research & Scholarly Work

The Latrobe Prize
Support to the Upjohn Grants

2. Mentor Young Architects & Emerging Professionals

Young Architects Forum
Young Architect Award Honorariums
Emerging Professionals Component Grants
Leadership Institute Sponsorship

3. Sustain the College – through Fellow Advancement & “Path to Fellowship” (attached)

College of Fellows Fireside Chat – January 22nd at the BSA – Three FAIAs – Jim Batchelor, Anne-Marie Lubenau, and Nancy Ludwig – met with a group from the Emerging Professionals Network (EPN) at the BSA, and discussed career paths and the evolution of our practices.

Annual BSA Fellows Dinner 2019 –Thursday, April 18th -- We are planning another great BSA Fellows Dinner at the St. Botolph Club. We will have a chance to hear from our newly elected **2019 BSA President Jean Carroon FAIA** about BSA plans for the year, and from our new **2019 BSA Foundation Chair Ted Touloukian AIA** on the direction for the BSA Foundation. New Fellows throughout the region will be invited to the celebratory dinner.

BSA Honors and Awards Committee –January 19th, 2019 – Several members of the BSA met to discuss nomination criteria and demystifying the process for:

- College of Fellow
- Associates Award
- Young Architects Award

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Report by: Katelyn Chapin, AIA, YARD

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- YAF Updates
 - YAF NAC joint meeting held in Old San Juan, Puerto Rico, February 7-9, 2019
 - I have joined the community focus group and will be updating the toolkit for the EP Friendly Firms Program
 - A'19 –MiniMBA Mastering the Business for Emerging Professionals
 - Collaboration between the YAF and Large Firm RoundTable
 - Wednesday June 5, 2019 8 am – noon
 - Connection Magazine – Q1 magazine will be published soon. When the link is available, I will share it with everyone
 - AIA Emerging Professionals Exhibit is open: <https://www.aia.org/awards/210306-emerging-professionals-exhibit>
- YARD / RAD Collaboration
 - AIA New England Emerging Professional Friendly Firm Program
 - Check it out! The 2018 survey results have been uploaded to the AIA New England website. <http://aianewengland.org/ep-friendly-firm-awards/>
 - 2019 survey – Late Summer / Early Fall 2019 to align with regional awards and AIA New England Conference
 - Webinar
 - Based on our call with the EP Network in January, looking to facilitate webinar with region. Potential topics include: Licensing process, what to expect with AXP
 - Social Media
 - Instagram: @aianewengland
 - Twitter: @YAFnewengland / @AIANERAD
- EP Groups in New England
 - Confence call held at the end of January
 - New England EP Initiatives
 - Each EP leader to create google email adress so everyone can share resources and so information is passed to furture EP leaders.
 - Group leaders will also share social media accounts so groups can see what events are occuring
 - State updates:
 - No update from Central Mass, Maine or Rhode Island
 - Western Mass:
 - Garrison Gamble is leading the group. 10 regular members with 40 total participating in events

- Initiatives:
 - ARE study sessions (IPAL) – meet once per month as a licensing support group.
 - Shared study materials
 - Celebration for recently licensed architects
 - Event at UMASS Amherst with the licensing advisor
 - Day of service
 - Firm tours

- Vermont
 - EP group has a new leader: Lealoni Coathup. Has a network of 100 emerging professionals, but few participate at in person events
 - Initiatives:
 - ARE support: study sessions and mail materials around the state
 - Goal is to reach out to students in the local AIAS
 - Partnering with allied industries to host events

- New Hampshire:
 - EP group led by Maggie Robidoux and a new leader, Kyle. Jon Allard is phasing out. There are 35 Emerging Professionals on their roster, but typically see 10 at events.
 - Initiatives
 - Design competition (due in March)
 - Bowling event
 - New Hampshire is finding that their educational programs have not been as successful
 - Kyle is a recent graduate and is looking to bridge the gap with the local AIAS chapter
 - Region is looking for a program that offers licensing support (What is the AXP process, options, process, etc.)

- BSA
 - Chris Moyer and Gabriela Baierle-Atwood co-lead the group
 - Initiatives:
 - Focusing on aligning programs with 3 goals: networking, mentorship and knowledge. Also, working on recording presentations so that they can be shared.
 - Network:
 - Winter warmer event in February, expecting 300+ individuals from AEC industry
 - “How to network” event – with 45 participants
 - Leadership Lunches – tour and lunches offered with firm leadership: Summer 2019
 - Mentorship
 - Working on informal mentorship program
 - Panel discussion with mid level architects
 - Knowledge
 - Partnering with other industry professionals to host events (BSLA and ASHRAE)

- Connecticut
 - Adrienne Nelson is co-leading with Aiden Migani. Arturo Arroyo is phasing out.
 - Initiatives:
 - Firm tours around Connecticut. Events have been successful that they are starting to be scheduled monthly.
 - February – 5th annual bowling fundraiser. Gains support from the AEC industry
 - Redesigned ARE lecture series program
 - Celebration for recently licensed architects held in January
 - Goal for group is to get Emerging Professionals involved. Group has tried breakfast and roundtables and realized EPs don't know how the AIA can help them. AIA Connecticut is now doing a "road show" to visit Connecticut firms
 - Regularly scheduled monthly EP meeting held at noon with an option to call in
 - AIA Connecticut Conference to have EP track programming
 - Events that are in the works: Social events with other organizations, Revit roundtable, and napkin sketch competition
 - Upcoming Events
 - AIA New England Conference: EP scholarships to attend the conference in October? EP track programming?