

AIAVT - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES - *APPROVED*

September 18, 2012 / Truex Cullins / Burlington, VT

Attending: Tom Bachman (Vice-President), Joseph Cincotta, Gary Corey, Richard Deane, Cam Featherstonhaugh, Katie Hill, Michael Hoffman, Diantha Korzun (President), Carol Miklos (Executive Director), Kevin Racek, Lisa Rovner.

Called to order: 6:05 pm

Minutes: August 2012 minutes will be reviewed for the next board meeting.

Committee Reports:

Executive & Long-Range Planning (Diantha)

- Finances: Financial reports were distributed in advance of the meeting. Diantha noted that a portion of the People's Choice construction costs were paid from the YAF grant, balance will be charged to New Englands.
- AIAVT won penalty appeal against VT Dept of Labor, received \$600 refund.
- Per accountant's recommendations, Maura requested W9 and proof of worker's comp coverage from our current consultants (bookkeeper & graphic designer). Neither has workers comp. Graphic design for AIAVT design awards is on critical path, board voted to proceed with the graphic design work while sorting out details.

Programs (Tom)

- Annual meeting confirmed for VT Statehouse. New RA's with Vermont residency will be invited to attend for free. Richard will contact VT Board of Architecture for list of all new VT licensees through 11/1. Diantha needs photos from this year's events for the annual meeting presentation.
- Cam to ask BCA about holding a reception when the People's Choice pavilion moves inside. BCA is interested in doing one architectural installation each year - possible future collaboration?

New Englands (Lisa)

- Current registration is about 50, people tend to wait until last minute.
- People's Choice pavilion was completed. Burlington Free Press and WCAX both covered it, BCA considers it "wildly successful," Tom reported that it was mobbed with people on a recent Saturday, Josh Chafe has been monitoring it and collecting approximately 30 votes per day. Some minor vandalism has occurred and high winds today caused additional damage; board asked Cam to proceed with repairs.
- Awards jury met in Vancouver with Diantha in attendance. 24 project received awards. Patricia Patkau will speak about the winning projects on behalf of the jury.

Public Policy (Katie)

- Building Professionals Summit was held 9/10. 21 organizations were represented, including all of the previously active organizations and newcomers Division of Fire Safety, Preservation Trust of VT, Dept of Economic Housing & Community Development, VT Chamber of Commerce, and Yestermorrow. Attendees were glad that summit had started again after a few years' hiatus.
- Bob Patterson of Fire Safety updated summit attendees on draft VT building code and fielded questions. He agreed to quarterly meetings with the design community to discuss code and enforcement issues; AIAVT Public Policy Committee to follow up.
- VT Association of General Contractors, VT Chamber of Commerce, and the Homebuilders and

Remodelers Association actively lobbied last year for more reasonable independent contractor requirements from VT Dept of Labor. They are gearing up now for the next legislative session and would like to team up with AIAVT and other design organizations. Public Policy committee to follow up.

Development (Richard)

- Marvin will again be the gold sponsor for the AIAVT awards dinner. Call for additional sponsors needs to go out.
- Marvin asked for a lunch meeting with Carol; Richard to attend as well.

New Business

- Yestermorrow: Katie reported that Yestermorrow is expanding its offerings for continuing education for professionals and would like input from the architecture community about desired course topics, schedule, and price point. They are open to jointly sponsoring events. Tom to follow up with Yestermorrow.
- Board Policy on Building Code: Board approved the following policy: AIAVT endorses a single building code regulatory environment for Vermont. It is a goal of AIAVT to work cooperatively towards adoption of the IBC as the single building code for Vermont.
- FEMA: Carol had a discussion with Patrick McFadden, a Pennsylvania architect who is temporarily assisting FERA in Vermont, about a possible presentation for AIAVT on FEMA's efforts. Tom to follow up with Patrick.
- Curtis Lumber: Curtis Lumber contacted Carol about holding an all-day continuing education event that offers AIA credits in early November. AIAVT may be involved, details still uncertain.
- Procrastinator's Day: Carol noted that she gets numerous inquiries from suppliers offering to hold continuing education events for AIAVT. Board members said that manufacturer seminars tend to be of lower quality and less of a draw than other typical AIA events. However, a day-long "Procrastinator's Day" of multiple manufacturers' seminars at the end of the year would be of benefit to members to get their continuing education credits done in time and at low cost. Programs committee to consider for next year.
- New Board Members Needed: Michael announced that he has been nominated to be New England Regional Director of AIA National, and will be resigning from the AIAVT board at the end of this year. Aron Temkin is now interim dean of Norwich College of Professional Studies in addition to dean of architecture; he will likely need a replacement on the AIAVT board too, preferably a full-time faculty member from Norwich.
- AIA New England: Diantha has been nominated as Secretary/Treasurer of AIA New England.

Schedule of Upcoming AIAVT Events:

10/19-21 AIA New Englands
12/6 AIAVT Annual Dinner and Awards

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 9 - location TBD.

Adjourn: 8:00pm

Respectfully submitted by Katie Hill, Assistant Secretary
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