

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
AIA VERMONT
Tuesday, February 9, 2010 Truex Cullins, Burlington

ATTENDING: Daniel Johnson, AIA, President; Harry Hunt, AIA, Vice-President; Diantha Korzun, AIA, Secretary-Treasurer; John McLeod, AIA, Immediate Past-President; Thomas Bachman, AIA, Shawn Brennan, AIA, Lauren Davis, AIA, Stephen Kredell, AIA, Lisa Rovner, AIA, James Sykes, AIA, Guy Teschmacher, AIA and Maura Wygmans, AIA.

Guest: Tyler Goss

Committee Reports

1. Public Policy Committee Daniel
 - a. Grassroots
 - 1.) The AIA Vermont contingent, Daniel, Diantha, Lauren, Michael Hoffman and Hanne met with Congressman Peter Welch, Senator Bernie Sanders and Senator Patrick Leahy's staff. The contingent was not given any tasks to bring back to Vermont; however, they were very impressed by the preparations Bernie Sanders had made for our meeting.
 - a.) The AIA prepared five issues to be brought to Capitol Hill: Green Schools, unfreezing credit, renewing communities, energy efficient tax deductions and relief for small businesses.
 - 2.) Daniel reported that the AIA is preparing Strategic Planning which will be transferable to State Components. Perhaps AIA Vermont can coordinate planning with other New England States.
 - 3.) Hanne was given wonderful tributes at the AIA New England dinner and at a General Session for her 40 years of service.
 - b. Legislative Day
 - 1.) After some discussion it was decided to have a Legislative Day with the Building Professional's Alliance. **Daniel** will contact Amanda Ibey of the Home Builders Association to further plans for this event.
2. Communications Committee Diantha
 - a. The Committee met this month and decided that a good job was done on marketing last year's programs. They will ask Ben Allred to continue his work on the graphics for programs and will try to hold down expenses.
 - b. Newsletter Shawn
 - 1.) The Newsletter will be published in February with an article on Grassroots, The President's Column and an article on "Sunsetting" of the "nine year rule"
 - a.) **Daniel** will send Shawn e-mail addresses for Barbara Conrey, Ed Wolfstein and Joel Page to assist him with the article.
 - 2.) Shawn would like all the material before the end of February.
 - c. Diantha would like material for meetings from the Program Committee.
3. Development and Long Range Planning Committee John
 - a. The Committee is working on a policy for volunteers with an emphasis on the idea that they are joining a volunteer Board and are there to assist the Board. Final authority rests with the Board.

- 1.) John will include the policy in the Board Manual and remind the Board of the policy at the beginning of each year.
- b. It was suggested that a section of the Board Manual spell out the duties of the Officers.

Events

1. Maura distributed an AIA/VT Calendar for 2010.
 - a. Changes to Calendar
 - 1.) Studio Social in March
 - 2.) Lecture introducing theme for 2010 “Traditions of Innovation” with Danny Sagan in late April.
 - a.) A conference call with Daniel and the Program Committee will be arranged to discuss this program.
 - 3.) Party for Hanne in May
 - 4.) Round Table discussion to add a developer
 - 5.) September – Final Lecture on “Traditions of Innovation” and House Tours.

Open Issues

1. Calendar – Lisa is prepared to do this program again and will open the photography competition to the photographic community and ASLA/VT
2. Long Range Planning Committee to have a Design Committee.
3. Member Survey
 - a. Steve will send the survey to the Board for final approval and then to Hanne for distribution to the membership on Monday, February 15th.
 - b. Steve will tabulate the results for a Newsletter article.

New Business

1. Executive Director position
 - a. Lauren and Diantha have a draft of the job description ready and will send to Hanne for comments.
 - b. The National AIA is ready to help on this search.
2. Invite K.C. Harrison to come to Vermont to up-date members on the AIA.
3. Webinars for CES units. Something to put on agenda for next meeting
4. Guy reported that the Golf Tournament Committee has added two new members and would welcome anyone else.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 9th, 6:00 p.m. at Gossens Bachman

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Hanne N. Williams, Hon. AIA/VT
Executive Director