

AIAVT - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES - APPROVED

May 12, 2011 / Norwich University / Northfield, VT

Attending: Shawn Brennan, Barbara Conrey, Lauren Davis, Katie Hill (Secretary), Michael Hoffman, Diantha Korzun (Vice-President), Steve Kredell, Lisa Rovner, Aron Temkin.

Called to order: 6:50 pm

Minutes: April 2011 minutes were approved.

Listing of Emeritus Members in AIAVT Directory:

Question was raised whether emeritus members should be listed on the AIAVT website, as they are understood to be retired and thus not pursuing new work. Michael noted that AIA National waives dues at emeritus status but still sends the magazine; states can charge dues if they choose. Katie noted there are two listings on the website, "Find an Architect" and the member directory; it's helpful for contact purposes to include everyone in the member directory. Discussion was tabled, motion approved requesting Carol to report back on the number of AIAVT emeritus members and how much it costs AIAVT to support them without charging dues.

Expenses for Designed in Vermont:

Keynote speaker Michael Tavel asked if his honorarium could be increased to \$2500 lieu of AIAVT's offer to cover travel expenses, as he will be using frequent flier miles. Budgeted amount had been \$1000 honorarium plus \$1500 travel expenses. Michael Hoffman noted this would save AIAVT the hassle of making all the travel arrangements. Motion to increase the honorarium to \$2500 and not reimburse travel expenses was approved.

Committee Reports:

Executive (Diantha)

- Current P&L statements were distributed for review. Budget is balancing.
- Barbara requested clarification from Carol (not present) as to why only \$1000 of the budgeted \$1500 was spent for the VTC awards.

Programs (Diantha)

- Designed in Vermont symposium is on track. Some moderators are still needed, Michael volunteered. CSI has been great to work with as a co-sponsor. Registrations are tracking as usual, there tend to be a lot of last minute registrations.

Public Policy (Steve)

- Nothing new to report on a statute of repose.
- Bob Duncan will represent AIAVT on the legislative code reform committee.
- No action has been taken yet on contacting BSA-VT/BSR about adopting a residential building code; Harry to follow-up on this.

Communications (Lauren and Shawn)

- Committee is getting word out to various organizations to promote Designed in Vermont. Will not be using a VPR spot; cost is about \$1500 but committee does not feel it is needed at this point. In addition, only one sponsor can be listed on air, but this event is jointly sponsored by AIAVT and CSI-VT.
- Next newsletter will be published in June.

Development & Long-Range Planning - nothing to report

YAF - nothing to report

Golf Tournament (Lisa)

- Several board members noted they do not remember receiving the golf announcement; Lisa to verify that it was sent out to the full AIAVT membership.
- Michael noted that AIA New England is interested in participating, and asked Lisa to forward details to their executive director, Carolyn Isaak.
- There is room for 22 teams max, two of those teams are reserved for the gold sponsor. Michael noted that the teams are usually about one-third architects, with engineers and contractors making up the rest. Barbara noted that the announcement should be sent out to the various engineering organizations too.
- Registration form will go out in mid-May.

Modern House Tours (Diantha)

- Need everyone to start thinking about possible homes. Looking for "cool modern houses."
- Michael suggested going through past ten years of award winners and contacting the home owners.
- Other states make this a much larger event and sell tickets as a fundraiser. Preservation Burlington sells tickets and has sponsors for their tour.
- Michael suggested the example of the VT Studio Tours weekend, with little signs everywhere, all on the same weekend, maybe \$5 per ticket.
- Diantha noted it would help to start advertising the event earlier. Had considered listing it in the Seven Days Home & Garden issue, but that just came out. Next year.
- Barbara noted it would be nice to have 2 or 3 homes together in the same area.
- Agreed a notice should be sent to the membership seeking home suggestions. Finding the homes is the hardest part.

Next Meeting:

AIAVT Annual Retreat - to be held at Norwich on June 15, program is still in the works. Typically the morning is for open, non-structured discussion, with a more structured discussion in the afternoon. Aron will look into catering options, asked for a catering budget.

[Note: Location was later changed to Michael's camp in Greensboro, date to be 6/14 or 6/15, pending board feedback.]

Schedule of Upcoming Events:

- Sat 9/10 - House tours
- Wed 9/14 - Golf tournament
- Fri 12/9 - Design awards

Adjourn: 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted by Katie Hill, Secretary
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