

AIAVT - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES - *UNAPPROVED*

March 11, 2015 /GBA / Montpelier, VT

Attending:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maura Wygmans (Immediate Past-President)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Rovner (President)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gary Corey (Vice-President)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard Deane (Secretary)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carol Miklos (Executive Director)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Larry Dean	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kevin Racek (Treasurer)	<input type="checkbox"/> Adam Lemire
<input type="checkbox"/> Joseph Cincotta	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ward Joyce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joel Page	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eric Morrow
<input type="checkbox"/> Danny Sagan	<input type="checkbox"/> Diantha Korzun	<input type="checkbox"/> Megan Nedzinski	<input type="checkbox"/> Dan Goltzman

Called to order: 6:10 pm

Minutes: Feb. 2015 minutes were approved.

Committee Reports:

Executive & Long-Range Planning (Lisa)

AIANE Concerns/Meeting

- Lisa reported that she attended this meeting with Diantha Korzun and Michael Hoffman. Issues that were discussed included: a) Is AIANE relevant? Should its mission be redefined in light of AIA National's new goal to become "the hub" for everything AIA-related? b) Planning for AIANE conference is underway, headed up by AIACT. Event is being held in Hartford on 10/30 and includes a only a keynote lecture and a dinner.
- Gary said that Michael had confided to him at Grassroots that he was concerned that a potential dismantling of AIANE would hurt Michael's efforts to serve on the national board.

Grassroots

- Lisa reported that she'd attended GR w/Carol, Gary, Diantha, and Michael. She briefly mentioned the issues that were addressed with our Vermont legislators:
 1. Protect and enhance the federal historic tax credit (HTC)
 2. Cosponsor the Safe Building Code Incentive Act, which encourages states to voluntarily adopt and enforce nationally recognized model building codes.
 3. Support the National Design Services Act, which relieves architecture graduates' student debt
- Carol explained that AIA intends to split Grassroots into two conferences next year: 1) Grassroots to be held in June and attended by a component's Public Policy committee 2) Leadership Conference to be held in February at rotating venues (2016: Detroit).
- Gary learned that AIA has a service on its website that combines Contract Docs with Reade Construction Data to highlight local projects that may need architects, etc. He thinks we might alert the membership.

Programs

- Lisa reported that arrangements for the social and LUs on April 9 at **Red Thread** are set.
- After much discussion it was decided the event would be free to everyone, since it was not costing AIAVT anything to organize LUs, food, etc.
- Re: the **Form-Based code program** in Burlington in April, Maura said she was concerned about two events both being held in the northern part of the state and so close together. Lisa informed everyone that a program is in the works with Ted Sheridan to hold a social and tour in the southern region-- Guilford, VT.
- Eric explained that the Form-Based Code Program needed to happen promptly and thus was set for April 13; it will consist of Pecha Kucha-style presentations. Participants will be able to self-report for 2 LUs. It will begin at approximately 6 p.m. and will be free of charge. Sponsor is Better, Inc.
- Carol is to send out a Save the Date.

- Eric discussed **2030 programming** sessions; Larry is investigating AIANH's results. Carol will assist in this.
- The ExCom will hold a conference call regarding our participation in 2030.
- Eric also discussed the **2030 leadership summit** to be held in Maine on June 4; we have the opportunity to send 20 people. Some self-payment would be expected.
- Lisa reported that arrangements for the **ACX conference** are moving along. Alex Wilson is the keynote.
- There was a discussion of the **Annual Meeting and Design Awards**. It was decided that Gary would investigate new venues in various locations around the state.
- Maura reported that she and Sam Purvis had a discussion about the Archistream. He had asked if it would be acceptable for AIAVT to have spent 5K on the project when all was said and done – i.e. – to sell if for 5K less than it will cost to operate this year. The board will vote in April as to how to proceed with selling the Archistream.

Public Policy (Danny G.)

- Danny explained that SOR bill was being reviewed by the Senate Judiciary Committee. It is hoped that if approved by this committee it will then go onto the Senate floor, and then get introduced in the House on March 20 (crossover date). It may be voted out of committee with contractors removed from the bill, because some on the Senate support the bill only if it would apply to licensed professionals. Gary said this was a basis for requiring licensure for contractors in Vermont.
- He explained that efforts are ongoing to raise funds to offset what AIAVT approved to pay the attorneys assisting us. Thus far, not much has been received.

Fundraising

- Carol reported that efforts for sponsorship sales for the ACX conference are going well, with Curtis Lumber once again taking the underwriter level.

Scholarships (Ward)

- Ward explained that we had missed the date for inclusion in the VSAC database re: the H.S. scholarships, but VSAC would administer the disbursement of the funds. He is hoping to have an application form produced by the end of March.

Communications (Carol)

- Ward agreed to write a story on the design-build effort at colleges.
- Carol said she'd find an associate to help with the Red Thread flyer.

Golf Tournament (Joel)

- Joel said that a meeting of the new committee had taken place. The committee was planning to develop a survey to get some information from past and potential players and sponsors. They are examining possible new venues.

New Business

- Eric said he was meeting w/ VGBN to talk about 2030 districts in Burlington; he is trying to gage the group's interest.
- Gary said he'd appreciate board meetings being piggy-back with other events as well being held in Brandon or other more central locations.

Next Meeting: April at BCA (before film series) in Burlington. **Adjourn:** 8:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Carol Miklos, Executive Director