

AIA New Orleans Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, 04 January 2018

AIA Center for Design

1000 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, LA



Board Members	Attendance	Initials
Angela Morton, President	Present	AM
Jason Richards, Past President	Present	JR
Jessica Walker, President-Elect	Present	JW
Terri Hogan Dreyer, Vice President	Present	TD
Anna Bertucci Ghelase, Secretary	Present	AG
Shannon French, Treasurer	Present	SF
Bryan Bradshaw, Associates Director	Present	BB
Julie Babin, YAF Representative	Present	JB
Janina Scalfano, La. Delegate	Present	JS
Justin Greenleaf, La. Delegate	Absent	JG
Megan Weyland, Tulane Delegate	Present	MW
Joel Pominville, Executive Director	Present	JP

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order – AM
 - a. The meeting was called to order by AM at 4:40 pm
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. ACTION: AM noted a correction to the December Board Meeting Minutes. A note should be added to indicate that New Business will always be first and Old Business will be last. JW motioned to approve the meeting minutes with the correction and seconded motion (JR), it was RESOLVED to approve the December 2017 board meeting minutes.
3. New Business – AM
 - a. The Joint Planning Session of the NOAF and AIANO Board is upcoming, and everyone should read the Strategic Plan before the Joint Planning Session- note that we are in year 3, but there are items that are in year 2 that are valid.
 - b. It was noted that every event for the upcoming year should be a part of our mission driven organization- what aspects foster educating architects, etc.
4. Executive Director Report – JP
 - a. JP noted that a part time marketing manager had been hired. Her name is Brittany Dapremont. Her first task is to address how the Design Center space is marketed. She will work Monday and Friday at the Design Center, and she will work remotely on Wednesday. In 3 months it will be evaluated whether her status will become full time.
 - b. JP received a call from AIA Tampa Bay. They want to connect with New Orleans. They reached out to us via our sponsor TLC to indicate that they are interested in an exchange of events for members.
5. Financial Committee – SF
 - c. SF presented a draft budget for 2018.
 - i. Membership- there is an effort to boost by increasing affiliate members; 4 new affiliate members in the last two weeks
 - ii. Sponsorships- it appears to be a large increase, yet this is only due to that it is now paid altogether rather than split in two.
 - iii. Fundraisers- there is a conservative approach to budgeting events this year.
 - iv. There is a concerted effort to fix the agreement with NOAF.
 - d. SF noted that the year end budget for 2017 was approximately \$7000 in the black. JP noted that this was due to services from vendors which were not billed last year. This number should be closer to \$0.

6. Events Committee - TD
 - a. AM noted that, after the next board meeting, there will be a breakout session for committees.
 - b. Upcoming events were discussed:
 - i. AIA/NOAF Planning Session -January 19
 - ii. EP Happy Hour- Greenleaf Lawson (on the northshore) -January 24
 - iii. LA State Board Meeting- February 1
 - iv. Quality Engineering hosts EPs for Muses February 8
 - v. EP Happy Hour- Campo Architects- February 28
 - vi. Grassroots (SanDiego)- March 12-14
 - vii. Celebrate Architecture (Baton Rouge)- March 16
 - viii. AIA New Orleans Design Awards- March 29
7. Advocacy
 - a. Transgender Restrooms and the code requirements were discussed. This requirement does not seem to be listed in any of the codes, but it is being enforced by the LA State Fire Marshal.
 - b. VCC is looking for review committee members- proposed names are to be submitted by June
8. Committee on the Environment
 - a. Dan Weiner is the Committee Chairman
 - b. The committee wants to join forces with AIA, USGBC and ULI on tours of new buildings
 - c. Present CEUs on 2015 building codes
 - d. Downtown Energy Challenge- through the New Orleans office of Resiliency
 - e. They will be the intervener with the Alliance for Affordable Energy
9. Design Awards Event Committee- AM
 - a. Jury will be from Charleston, SC
10. Crawfish Boil
 - a. Committee chair is needed
11. Louisiana State Conference Committee
 - a. JR to chair
 - b. The event will be September 26-28
12. Old Business
 - a. Loan/Grant is to be voted on at the AIA LA March Board Meeting
 - b. CSI Collaboration- Robert Swan would like to collaborate concerning Division 1 General Conditions
 - c. Future NOLA.

Adjournment

ACTION: Upon a duly made (JS) a seconded motion (AM), it was unanimously RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 pm.

Next Board Meeting

Scheduled for Thursday, 01 February 2018, 4:30 pm.

Submitted by

Anna Bertucci Ghelase, AIA, Secretary