

AIA New Orleans Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, 06 April 2017
 AIA Center for Design
 1000 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, LA



Board Members	Attendance	Initials
Jason Richards, President	Present	JR
Nicholas Marshall, Past President	Present	NM
Angela Morton, President-Elect	Absent	AM
Amanda Rivera, Vice President	Present	AR
Thom Smith, Secretary	Present	TS
Shannon French, Treasurer	Present	SF
Jason Levy, Associates Director	Present	JL
Ashley Banks, YAF Representative	Present	AB
Brent Baumbach, La. Delegate	Present	BB
Janina Scalfano, La. Delegate	Present	JS
Megan Weyland, Tulane Univ. Rep.	Absent	MW
Braham Berg, Tulane AIAS Rep.	Present	BB
Joel Pominville, Executive Director	Present	JP

Guests

None

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order – Jason Richards
 - a. The meeting was called to order by JR at 4:40 pm
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. ACTION: It was RESOLVED to postpone approval of the March 2017 board meeting minutes at the next board meeting, as they were not provided in advance.
3. New business
 - a. Louisiana Medal of Honor Nomination: It was agreed that no one would be nominated from AIANO membership in 2017.
 - b. LAF Patron of Architecture: It was agreed that the board would think of nominees before June 1 due date.
 - c. AIA Louisiana Legislative Committee: It was agreed to nominate Mary Gilmore and Chris Johnson.
 - d. Louisiana State Architects Selection Board: ___ suggested, JR will contact.
 - e. VCC Nominees: It was agreed that the board would suggest nominees for the two year term, and communicate via Slack for all positions above as well.
4. Events
 - a. April
 - a.i. Architecture Week: AB and TS reviewed the upcoming programming and events, and will report to the board next month. They will also collect images and feedback from peers and social media for future marketing of Architecture Week 2018.
 - a.ii. Small Firm Panel Discussion: JP reviewed panelists and event information.
 - a.iii. AIA National Convention: JR asked the board to vote on one candidate, and will forward information before the convention in two weeks.
 - b. May
 - b.i. The State Board Meeting, Crawfish Boil, and PSMJ program were reviewed and dates confirmed.
 - c. JP added that AIANO and the Center need programming for summer.

5. Executive Director Report – Joel Pomerville
 - a. JP summarized that the Design Awards were successful and that 2017 sponsors have already renewed for 2018.
 - b. JP discussed media contacts for AIANO press, and asked the board to participate in Architects on Architecture request from the Times–Picayune/nola.com.
 - c. Public interest institute: JP confirmed that it will be held in the Center for Design in mid or late September on a Friday and Saturday. NM will be the AIANO board point of contact.
 - d. AIA National Leadership Institute: JP confirmed this will be held at AIANO in November. The event will include local and national programming, and will need a point of contact. JP estimated approximately 50 attendees from the region, with the goal to be full.
 - e. JP stated that membership feedback is improving, and that he wants to continue a dedication to contact members and listen to concerns, along with sponsors.
6. Finance Committee Report – Shannon French
 - a. First Quarter Financial Report:
 - a.i. SF stated that the Design Awards generated \$3000 in profit, with more table sales, but fewer individual tickets than 2016.
 - a.ii. SF updated the board that he is coordinating sharing costs with NOAF. Their budget was recently approved so this will happen mid year.
 - a.iii. AIA LA loan is not included; SF will follow up next month regarding rent and NOAF arrangement.
 - b. JP requested that the board think of upcoming revenue generators to rent the space more.
7. Development Committee
 - a. JS stated that Canstruction will be spaced out with the Public Design Institute, and asked for suggestions for an outdoor venue.
 - b. JP confirmed that the crawfish boil will be at Urban South.
8. Membership Committee – Thom Smith
 - a. See Architecture Week report above in 4. Events.
9. Emerging Professionals (EP) – Ashley Banks, Jason Levy
 - a. AB stated that a goal is to attract Tulane students to the mentor happy hour and other Architecture Week events.
 - b. JL reported that the Mini Golf event would tentatively be on Thursday, 12 Oct. JR added that a secondary goal should be to try to attract folks to main golf tournament's beer garden next day.
 - c. JL described a tour of the former Six Flags site that would be carefully marketed to focus on more than just developer and land purchase, tentatively for June.
 - d. AB confirmed that an EP happy hour event for tricentennial event ideas will be on 19 April.
 - e. JL and JP described the rollout of the ARE study group and AIANO's Black Spectacles subscription.
10. Events Committee, NOAF – Joel Pomerville
 - a. JP requested ideas for NOAF events, especially a lecturer in June who would be a regional attraction.
- II. Old Business
 - a. Center for Design Task Force Update: SF stated that the recent charrette was successful. Next steps include cleaning out side closet on Higgins and the former ED office, review mockup of window graphic, reorganize front corner, potentially with donated furniture, and an interactive monitor display with calendar.
 - b. Task Force for updating 2017-18 Implementation Plan with NOAF: JR requested volunteers, and a few offered to participate.
 - c. Resilience and Design committee: TS briefly noted that this group would create partnership opportunities for AIANO as well, and a major chance to tell the story of architects and this real in time for the tricentennial next year.

Adjournment

ACTION: Upon a duly made (BB) a seconded motion (TS) it was unanimously RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 pm.

Next Board Meeting

Thursday, 04 May 2017, 4:30 pm

Submitted by

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