

AIA New Orleans Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, 02 November 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	Absent	NM
Angela Morton, President-Elect	Present	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
Janina Scalfano, La. Delegate	Absent	JS
Megan Weyland, Tulane Delegate	Present	MW
Braham Berg, Tulane AIAS	Present	BB
Joel Pomerville, Executive Director	Present	JP

Guests

None

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order – JR
 - a. The meeting was called to order by JR at 4:36 pm
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. ACTION: Upon a duly made (AM) and seconded motion (AR), it was RESOLVED to approve the October 2017 board meeting minutes.
3. New Business – JR
 - a. Nominations Committee Update: AM stated that the committee has met, and that several members are interested in each position, fulfilling the goal of a competitive ballot. A revised list will be shared with the board before the Annual Meeting on 16 November.
 - b. Blood Drive for AIA Member: JP gave a flyer on the event to each board member, and stated that donors are still needed. JP will reach out to AIA Louisiana and share the Gofundme site for additional support.
 - c. AIA Louisiana State Convention: JR stated that the convention is scheduled for the last week in September 2018, and will be held at the WWII Museum in New Orleans. The program will include a 75th anniversary party for the state chapter, along with the opening for the FutureNOLA exhibit and related Beaux Arts Ball. The goal of the convention is to be densely programed with many CEUs.
4. Financial Committee – SF
 - a. Golf Tournament earned \$10,000 less than expected, but still earned \$20,000, which is significant. JP suggested considering different options for the event format in the future. The board reviewed the current and projected monthly account balances provided.
 - b. Holiday Party will remain as scheduled, with the goal of lowering costs this year.
5. Events Committee
 - a. November
 - i. Canstruction – Nov 3-10

- ii. Construction Gala – Nov 8: JP requested that the board encourage attendees to RSVP online to better track and anticipate participation.
 - iii. WIA Mentor Dinner – Nov 13: AB stated that the event is almost sold out, and that board members should purchase tickets if they have not already done so.
 - iv. CSI/AIA Contract Documents – Nov 14: The board briefly discussed establishing the value of renting the Center for Design for events, and to develop a rental agreement.
 - v. EP Happy Hour – Nov 15
 - vi. Membership Meeting/Elections – Nov 16: 6pm at the Center for Design
 - vii. AIA National Leadership Institute – New Orleans Regional Host – Nov 16: JP noted that the goal is 50 attendees. AR suggested strengthening the effort to advertise the event and reach out beyond a local audience.
- b. December
- i. Final 2017 Board Meeting – Dec 14
 - ii. AB noted that the Emerging Professionals happy hour is Dec 13 at Woodward's office.
 - iii. Holiday Party – Dec 7
6. Additional Committee Reports
- a. Tulane AIAS: BB stated that members would like to plan more firm crawl events, and requested that the board suggest firms for 2018. BB will graduate in May 2018, and would like to formalize the connection between AIANO and Tulane AIAS before he leaves the position.
7. FutureNOLA : AB reported that the committees met on Nov 01, and that the official launch and call for entries will be on Jan 01, 2018. AB added that the team met with the Louisiana State Museum to discuss exhibiting the winning submissions in either the Cabildo or the Presbytere buildings in the French Quarter. The general effort still needs a strategy to reach out beyond architects and designers, as well as a graphic design package.
8. Old Business
- a. 2018 Board Nominations. JR summarized that AIANO found the current nominees acceptable, and will prioritize recommending more diverse board members for the next nomination cycle.
 - b. AIA Louisiana Loan Update. JR stated that AIANO met with AIA Louisiana Executive Committee in Baton Rouge, and that the loan will be changed into a grant instead. The state chapter board will discuss in early 2018 to confirm.

Adjournment

ACTION: Upon a duly made (TS) a seconded motion (JL), it was unanimously RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 5:38 pm.

Next Board Meeting

Rescheduled for Thursday, 14 December 2017, 4:30 pm.

Submitted by

Thom Smith, AIA, Secretary