

6 February 2008

AIA/SWMI

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting of 9 January 2008

Held at the office of: Slocum Associates

Present: Kris Nelson, Arnie Mikon, Steve Dickerson, Peter Sarelis, Marcia Strange,
Shawn Parshall, Matt Bastos, Jay Weiss, Jeff Crites

Absent: Sara Temple, Mark Johnson

The following items were discussed and/or approved as noted:

1. CALL TO ORDER
 - A. The meeting was called to order by Kris Nelson

2. MEETING MINUTES
 - A. Arnie Mikon moved to pass the previous meeting minutes with the following changes:
Italicize articles 4.A.c and 5.B.b. Steve Dickerson seconded. Motion passed.
 - B. Missing meeting minutes for 2007 that need to be available are for the months of January, February, September and November. Looking for any notes available to cover those meetings from the board members.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT – Steve Dickerson
 - A. Reviewed proposed budget from Decembers meeting. (Refer to Budget spreadsheet provided by Steve for changes)
 - B. Arnie Mikon moved to have the treasurer's report be approved. Kris Nelson seconded. Motion passed.

5. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Monthly Programs – Matt Bastos is currently working on putting together the years program agenda and will have meeting with the directors to come up with more ideas.
 - a) February – Grass Roots, Tour-Miller Canfield Building.
 - b) Tour – WMU Brown Hall, Sustainable Design (Part 2 at Portage Library)
 - c) Future Possibilities: Chime Elementary possibly for march, Hicks Center, Architectural Futurist James Kramer could do a presentation, Consumers Concrete (Statler) could do hands on masonry construction.

 - B. AWARDS CEREMONY – Sarah Temple has suggested moving the awards ceremony from April to November to allow the past president more time to get the program together and consider that the holiday party as well. It was agreed that November would work and be acceptable for everyone.
 - a.) Possible Locations: Airzoo (Sarah checking on), Hicks Center at K college (Arnie checking on) and the 401 Building (Jay checking on).

 - C. BOARD MEETING – Matt Bastos is currently working on where the years meetings will take place.
 - a.) February – At Kingscott.
 - b.) March – At Eckert Wordell.

- D. GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS – Arnie Mikon reported that the Interiors Bill (to get licensure) passed the house for the first time and was going to committee. Also noted that AIA Michigan’s priority for the past year was to not get architectural services lumped in with the service tax, which was later rescinded. Currently congress is not back in session.
- E. PUBLIC AWARENESS – It was noted that Peter Sarelis will need to pick up the SW MI AIA boards last on display at the Radisson and put together some of the boards for the “Raise the Roof” presentation at the K-valley Museum for February 15th.
- F. WEBSITE – Kris Nelson noted that currently Mike Mosely (AIA MI) has control of the website and all information must go to him to be posted for the SW MI chapter. It was discussed that the local chapter should have their own site so that information could be posted in a more time efficient manner than is currently being done. This is to be brought up with Mike at the Leadership Retreat as a start to further discuss the possibility for local chapter control of their own website.
- G. EMERGING PROFESSIONALS – Shawn Parshall noted that he is currently inventorying the study materials that the Chapter has for taking the ARE. He is also looking to find what interest there is to put a study group together for preparing for the exam.
- H. MEMBERSHIP – Nothing to report.
- I. COLUMN –
- a.) Marcia Strange noted that the electronic version had been sent out and any physical copies needing to be sent out would be coming.
 - b.) Marcia noted that the next column would be coming out around mid-March and could possibly be themed a green issue to coincide with St. Patrick’s day. The deadline for article submission would be February 29th. The columns to be reported on are as follows:
 - a. Yearly Goals – Kris Nelson
 - b. Grass Roots Report – Matt Bastos & Shawn Parshall
 - c. Misc Articles by board members – Marcia to have idea list available if needed
 - d. Green Drinks – Nelson or Shawn to report on meeting
- J. COTE Sustainability – Kris Nelson currently seeking persons who might be interested in forming a committee.
- K. AIA MICHIGAN – Jay Weis was unable to attend the last meeting, so nothing to report.
- K. OLD BUSINESS – Steve Dickerson to send out past outline of conference spending procedures.
- L. The next Board meeting is scheduled for 4:00 pm on Wednesday, February 13, 2008 at Kingscott Associates.