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Board Meeting 3 Minutes – May 4, 2017

TIME: 5:30—8:30 PM

PLACE: Charlie Brown's Fresh Grill - 522 Southern Boulevard - Chatham Township, NJ

Called to Order: 6:02 PM

Present: See attached sign-in sheet for attendees.

Distribution: All Attendees, Board Members not attending this meeting, and Committee Members.

Please note: If there is no information provided that item was not reviewed at the meeting date above. All reports from meetings are available for review on the Drop-Box. Contact Administrator for access.

1) Call to Order and Attendance:

- a) The 3rd meeting of the 2017 AIA-Newark and Suburban Architects Board (AIA-NS) was called to order at 6:02 pm by President Alex Gotthelf, AIA.
- b) Attendance and Quorum – Secretary confirmed that quorum was present

2) Approval of the Prior Minutes:

- a) MOTION: made motion and seconded:
 - All in favor- Aye- no abstains or objections- report passed-Vote Unanimous
- b) Minutes accepted.

3) Treasurer's Report:

- a) AIA NS financial standing is good
- b) 100 % budget reserves
- c) Donation in memory of Gabe Calenda
 - \$100 donation to American Cancer Society
 - MOTION: made motion and seconded:
 - All in favor- Aye- no abstains or objections- donation will be made-Vote Unanimous
- d) Shifting funds from networking event to general meeting budget
 - MOTION: made motion and seconded:
 - All in favor- Aye- no abstains or objections- motion accepted to re-allocate budget into general membership meetings -Vote Unanimous
- e) Include network component into General Membership meetings

4) President's Report – Alex Gotthelf

- a) Third AIA NS General Membership Meeting was well attended
- b) NJIT Career Day- Mark Bess NJIT professor and Brandon Warshofsky were speakers

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- c) Banafshea Soltani was accepted to participate in Speak-Up
 - AIA NJ (State) will be funding the trip
- d) AIA NJ President's Call on May 3rd - AIA NJ local chapter Presidents on the call
 - AIA NJ will align priorities with National- Advocacy, Professions, Membership, Operations, LG&A, Municipal Land Use, and Center For Architecture
- e) Committees are in need of Chairpersons
- f) Action Day LG&A and EpiC- June 12th
 - Brandon will look to invite more members across local chapters to the event- goal is to have up to 100 attendees. Will be announced at June 8th meeting.
- g) 2017 AIA National Convention- very good attendance
 - Jerry Eben elevated to College of Fellows
 - Bill Bates will be AIA National President 2018-2019
- h) 2018 AIA National Convention New York City June 21st-June 23rd
- i) Alex is working on getting support at all levels of AIA NJ for the upcoming talk with Carl Elefante

5) New Business/ Action Items

- a) Christy Dibartolo will follow up on Allied membership application.
- b)
- c) Brandon Warshofsky discussed the topic of AIA NS website redevelopment
 - Constant Contact can be eliminated
 - Motion was made to approve the website redevelopment for the AIA NS chapter; Seconded. All in favor- Aye, no abstains, vote unanimous
- d) LMGA committee Harvey Montague has offered to be involved
- e) Mark Bess has been in contact with AIAS. To incorporate scheduling of different events.
- f) Monies set aside for scholarship funds- has not been active
- g) March 1st accreditation is due. Experience was normally 1 year has been extended to two years

6) Division Reports/Committee Reports

- a) LG&A report- submitted via email
- b) Scholarship foundation is being rebuilt from the state level
- c) Trade show is going well
 - Brightwell being added as a sponsor
 - Sponsorship pursue Health Safety and Welfare units
- d) Website-
 - 20 log-ins established
 - Training will be conducted by Star Chapter
 - Set up website under different committees
- e) Professional Practice Committee- Digital signing and sealing of documents

7) Upcoming Events

- a) Next AIA NS Board meeting September 7th

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8) Adjournment

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a) The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 PM

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