

# **Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

5:00 PM, Thursday, May 19, 2016 Cuningham Group Architecture, Inc. 601 South Broadway, Suite N, Denver, CO 80209

Invitees	Name	Role	Email
Present	Ken Field	President	kenffield@comcast.net(new)
Present	Kari-elin Mock	Past President	kmock@cuningham.com
On phone	Kelly Yamasaki	President-Elect	kyamasaki@ozarch.com
Present	Barb von der Heydt	Secretary/Treasurer	bvonderh@aol.com
Absent	Alan Ford	At-Large	aford@fordarch.com
Present	Amy Spatz	At-Large	alspatz@aps.k12.co.us
On phone	Al Slattery	At-Large	alslattery@haselden.com
Absent	Jane Crisler	At-Large	jcrisler@hparch.com
On phone	Cathy Bellem	At-Large	cbellem@amdarchitects.com
Present	Sue Walker	At-Large	s.walker@vs-charlotte.com
Present	Jennifer Song Koeppe	At-Large	jkoeppe@moaarch.com
Present	Kara Aylesworth	At-Large	kaylesworth@hcm2.com
Absent	Donna Robinson	Regional Director	donna@a4le.org

- 1. **Introductions** The meeting was called to order by Ken at 5:05 pm, who marveled at the number of people actually in attendance. Perhaps it was the wine and munchies served for our enjoyment.
- 2. Meeting Minutes March and April minutes were moved for approval, seconded and voted so unanimously.

# 3. Regional Update – Ken

- a. Reviewed SW Region Conference Makerspaces on April 20-23 in Tempe, Arizona. According to attendees, everyone missed a very cool conference. Ken, Sue, and Kara attended. They visited six examples of makerspaces at all academic levels. They had experiences with hands-on activities. Kara was impressed by makerspace in a science museum. Sue was impressed by collaborative spirit of so many entities - schools, corporations and institutions. Saw so many examples of 3-D printers. Kaki Zeeb was named Regional Planner of the Year. Will check with Donna to see if that means she's submitted for the International recognition. They visited a nuclear power generation plant, which was very interesting. All agreed that the format for the Regional Conference was well received. Next year the regional conference will be in Utah. What is the concept of "Makerspaces"? "Shop on steroids". Discussion about whether/how we could develop a program (RMC or Regional) here? Can we identify similar spaces in the chapter area and have a RMC tour? Should we tour the DPS' Construction Industry Training Council building? What about the districts with "Innovation Centers" like the ones in St. Vrain? Boulder is planning one? Amy said that Aurora Public Schools has an Innovation Center. Cathy noted that the Innovation Centers are aspiring to be focused on higher education - engineering/robotics programs with more challenging curriculum. Discussion about the possibility of a RMC tour for a half-day or longer time frame. Goal: to have a RMC Makerspace program with a committee Cathy Bellem as chair. Another idea is the DU engineering school, which will be completed this summer.
- b. Regional phone call was on Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. They are working on outreach to emerging professionals. Suggested "happy hours" for emerging professionals. What can we do to outreach to Rocky Mountain Chapter

- emerging professionals for our organizations? Is there any discussion about a tiered membership for younger members? Ken will look into that at the regional level.
- C. For Schools Next, two teams were tied and attendees at Southwest Region conference voted on the winner. Teams were from the same school and the team of girls beat the team of boys. The wining team will go on to International Conference in Philadelphia.

### 4. Treasurer's Report

- a. 2016 Budget was sent to all board members, reflecting \$1210 of income (Regional stipend for 2015 programs and \$10 for June event registration) and \$973.40 of expenses (for 2015 Awards program).
- b. The RMC balance as of May 18 is \$7,449.21.
- C. Moved to approve to reimburse Barb for her expense for dinners for John and Donna as our guest. Motion was passed unanimously.
- c. 2016 Budget was presented. The budget was moved for approval, seconded and voted so unanimously.
- e. Discussion of when/how/if to charge for programs for members and non-members, confirming the decisions about the fees for the June program.

## 5. Programs

- a. 2016 Calendar status review
  - 1) Report of ECE Conference on April 29<sup>th</sup>. Keynote speakers are Peter Lippman and Dr. John Medina, author of "Brain Rules for Baby." Great speakers and good attendance. A4LE had a presence for membership recruitment. Dinner with John and Donna was a big success.
  - 2) Bond and other funding sources Program is scheduled for June 23rd at Aurora Public Schools (PLCC) Education Center, starting at 4 pm. We have the Mt. Massive room (which seats 150 people) at 3:30 pm. Kari-elin, Amy, Jennifer, and Al are coordinating the logistics.
    - How to make something for everyone: Scope of bonds, process of A/E selection and Project Delivery Methods.
    - Schedule:
      - Contrax will do intro and they're providing treats.
      - Donnell-Kay Foundation will present
      - Districts will present: 10-15 minutes each
        - Aurora, DPS, Adams 12, Poudre, St Vrain, Academy 20 in CO Springs, Jefferson Co. (Barry Jones)
      - Panel discussion including Littleton and Brighton 27J and Boulder, using a preestablished list of questions.
    - Amy is sharing with CSPMA (Colorado Schools Plant Management Association) and Metro District Construction Group. Jennifer is coordinating with AIA. Kari-elin is sharing with Green Schools. Will ask AI to share with AGC.
    - We will have nametags for this event. Limit of 150 people for attendance. We'll communicate to Donna and stop registrations at that number.
    - Al reported that SMPS Colorado is going to send the information to their members for our program. He expects that will increase our attendance. He's secured \$1350 in sponsorships from Contrax Furniture, Haselden and G K Baum, so far. They should go to website and pay electronically. Donna should remind Al how to tell them to do this.
  - 3) Valdez Elementary (and similar DPS open-plan school conversions. Kelly will report on this next month.
  - 4) USGBC Green Schools Summit is scheduled for Friday, November 4 at the Arvada Center.
  - 5) Joe Shoemaker School (Hampden Heights) tour/program Cathy Bellem has spoken with the principal and is trying to reschedule for next fall. Discussion of whether that would be a good tour to have during the summer break. She'll follow up in mid-June to see if we can schedule something before school starts.

### 6. Officers' and Directors' Reports

- a. Past President Kari-Elian reported more movement on Schools Next. Most recent call was cancelled. Surveyed teachers, mentors and students from the past. They're using that information to tune up School Next and develop High Schools of the future. Amy reported on the interest in Aurora Public Schools. Brainstorming and discussions about potential for opportunities in our chapter.
- b. President-Elect no report.
- c. Directors-At-Large
  - 1) Kara (Membership) has scheduled a meeting on Tuesday, May 31 at 5 pm at her office to work on membership initiatives for the chapter.

#### 7. Old Business

a. Chapter still needs new banner with A4LE logo. Kari-Elian will have this done for the June event. Cuningham Group will sponsor the cost of the new banner.

### 8. New Business

- a. Start to look ahead to International in Philadelphia in September 28 October 1. Want to encourage signups. Ken is planning on going.
- b. Boulder Technology / Furniture Fair (SHIFT) is June 8<sup>th and 9th</sup> at Monarch High School. (info courtesy of Sue. She'll do more research and on content and costs.) Speakers from Southwest Regional Conference are coming. Sue will send the information to Donna for distribution to our mailing list.
- c. ISTE Conference (national) in Denver at the Convention Center on June 26-29 is the "premier technology conference". (info courtesy of Sue)

#### 9. Director areas of interest

10. Meeting was adjourned at 6:42 pm.

Next Meeting: 2:30 PM, Thursday, June 23, 2016

at ECS2, 15751 East 1st Avenue, Aurora, CO - Aurora Public Schools, before the program.

- **a.** All others currently scheduled for 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month
- b. Standing RMC Board Meeting for 2016. Subject to change pending programs or other chapter activities.
- c. Please attend in person at Cuningham Group, if possible!
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Respectfully submitted by Barb von der Heydt