



THE REGION OF THE VIRGINIAS

August 2011 Report

September AIA Board Meeting

The AIA Board will meet in Chicago on September 16 and 17, 2011. Agenda items are as follows:

- Treasurer's report
- Management report
- Committee Reports

More information will follow on what is to be discussed at this meeting as I get updates on the agenda. There are no items requiring member input at this time.

Dates for 2012 National AIA Events Published

- Grassroots will be held in Washington DC on March 7-10, 2012
- AIA National Convention will be held in Washington DC on May 16-19th

NOTE: The AIA Northern Virginia is planning a regional party for next year's convention. Stay tuned!

Virginia Society AIA Design Forum X

The tenth VSAIA Design Forum will be held in Charlottesville on March 16th and 17th and the theme will be "Skins". There will be a regional meeting at the Design Forum and the regional board is invited to attend. VSAIA will publish more details later.

Chapter Visits

I met with the AIA Richmond Chapter in early July, 2011 and with the Blue Ridge Chapter in Abingdon in late July. I'll be meeting with the Northern Virginia Chapter in October and with the West Virginia Chapter in November. So far, I am waiting to confirm dates with the Hampton Roads and Central Virginia Chapters.



Regional YAF Director Needed

Teera Games, AIA has moved to North Carolina leaving the office of Regional YAF Director open. Potential candidates should contact the Young Architects Forum Regional Director Advisor; [Jason Dale Pierce, AIA](#) 314.322.4017. For more details, see page 3 of this report.

Call for Nominations

There is a call for nominations on the following AIA National Committees as follows. The deadline for me to submit your name is September 30th. If anybody is interested in serving on one of these committees, please let me know.

- AIA Contract Documents Software Advisory Committee (1 person)
- Council on Federal Procurement of Architectural/Engineering Services (1 person)
- Credentials Committee (3 people)
- Federal Architectural Task Group (1 person)
- Full Service Distributor Advisory Committee (6 people)
- Resolutions Committee (1 person)
- Risk Management Committee (2 people)

Descriptions of these committees are as follows. If anybody is interested, please contact me at mpcox@vcu.edu.

AIA Contract Documents Software Advisory Committee (1 person)

AIA Contract Documents Software Advisory Committee (ASAC) provides a formal communications channel for AIA member and nonmember software customer comments and needs, and allows AIA to better target the research and development work undertaken by its developers. This committee supplements existing sources of information about customer and future customer needs (e.g., software usage data, technical support incident data, customer satisfaction surveys, alpha and beta tests, and user group comments).

Council on Federal Procurement of Architectural/Engineering Services (1 person)

The COFPAES is an outside group of which the AIA is a member organization. Charged to ensure that the needs and goals of architects regarding federal procurement are communicated and emphasized among other building industry groups.

Credentials Committee (3 people)

Oversee the accreditation of delegates at the AIA National Convention.



Federal Architectural Task Group (1 person)

Review the procurement relationships at the federal level, and advise COFPAES representatives accordingly.

Full Service Distributor Advisory Committee (6 people)

Provides input on select Contract Documents business issues and plans. In 2011/2012, the advisory committee will focus on the following:

- Education and marketing plan for the new Contract Documents service
- Updating the FSD manual
- Paper to electronic migration

This group will not tackle the subject of revenue share. That topic will be handled by a separate committee.

Resolutions Committee (1 person)

Rules of the Board, Section 5.12: Authorized to receive resolutions and present them for consideration by delegates at the AIA National Convention.

Risk Management Committee (2 people)

Concentrate on the generation and delivery of knowledge related to risk management issues within the profession

YOUNG ARCHITECTS FORUM – REGIONAL DIRECTOR INFORMATION

The [AIA Young Architects Forum](#) (YAF) regional directors work with their counterparts; the College of Fellows regional representatives and the National Associates Committee regional associate directors. YAF regional directors are responsible for gathering information about issues facing young architects within their geographic areas and disseminating information about national/regional activities and resources for use on the local level. Of equal importance, YAF regional directors serve as an important link between young architects and the national organization. Architects who have been licensed for no more than ten years are eligible for this two-year term with the opportunity to reapply once for a maximum of four years of experience.

Regional director positions available January 1, 2012 (two-year term) are:

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| ▪ Southern California | Current YAF Regional Director is John Wyka, AIA |
| ▪ Florida-Caribbean Region | Current YAF Regional Director is Joseph Benesh, AIA |
| ▪ North Central Region | Current YAF Regional Director is Mike Schellin, AIA |
| ▪ Northwest & Pacific Region | Current YAF Regional Director is Janice Li, AIA |
| ▪ Ohio Valley Region | Current YAF Regional Director is Jack Bauman, AIA |
| ▪ Texas Region | Current YAF Regional Director is Wyatt Frantom, AIA |
| ▪ Virginia Region | Current YAF Regional Director is Terrapon Games, AIA |



For additional information and application instructions, please visit the [YAF Regional Directors Call for Volunteers](#). For questions and/or to discuss this position and application process in more depth please contact the 2011-2012 YAF Regional Director Advisor; [Jason Dale Pierce, AIA](#) 314.322.4017.

It is highly recommended that all applicants for this position be vetted with the regional leadership prior to submitting to the YAF Advisory Committee. However if a selection process for the YAF Regional director is not in place in your region direct submission to the YAF Advisory Committee is allowed. Please contact your AIA Regional Leadership to determine if a regional selection process is in place or contact the YAF Regional Director Advisor via the information above.

DUTIES OF THE YAF REGIONAL DIRECTOR:

The YAF Regional Director is the primary connection between local AIA chapters, regional boards and/or leadership and the national YAF Advisory Committee.

1. The YAF Regional Director will keep communications flowing between these groups by:
 - Maintaining quarterly communication with all YAF chapters within his or her designated region.
 - Reporting to YAF Regional Director Adviser with regional updates quarterly.
 - Serve as a conduit between local YAF chapters, Regional Board of Directors and YAF Advisory Committee
 - Disseminating information to and collecting information from local chapters as requested.
 - Submitting an annual regional report four weeks prior to the annual AIA National Convention.
 - Write and/or solicit articles for publication in Connection, the YAF's e-newsletter. Each Director is responsible for providing one article a year to the Communications Advisor for inclusion in one issue of Connection annually. Additional articles are appreciated and encouraged.
 - Participate in a monthly conference call with other YAF Regional Directors and YAF Advisory committee members.
2. The YAF Regional Director contributes to the direction and planning of the YAF by:
 - Participating in the YAF Annual Meeting at the AIA Grassroots in Washington D.C.
 - Working with Advisory Committee members on various issues pertaining to their individual positions on the AdCom.
3. The YAF Regional Director is the primary connection at the regional level to other groups in the AIA by:
 - Communicating with COF Regional Representatives and NAC Regional Associate Directors quarterly about how to work together to support each other's efforts.
 - Suggesting or encouraging young architects for nomination for regional or national awards, positions or committees/subcommittees. Including future YAF Regional Directors.



- Attending AIA National Convention, when possible.
4. Additional responsibilities may be required by each respective region.
 - YAF Regional Directors are required to work with their respective regions to ensure that expectations from regional leadership are clearly defined and met.
 - The YAF Advisory committee encourages all applicants to discuss the position with their regional leadership (either their Regional AIA President and/or Executive Director) to fully understand the role and commitment that the YAF Regional Director will have to their respective region prior to submitting their application.
 - Presence is strongly encouraged at all regional meetings.
 5. Additional items:
 - Participation and Funding to national events are required as annual budget allow
 - Upon request of YAF, may act as author, speaker or coordinator at selected YAF events
 - Depending on budget, may be partially funded to attend the YAF Annual meeting at the AIA Grassroots

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