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AIA Ohio
Annual Meeting

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AIA Ohio 2020 Annual Meeting
November 13, 2020
Via Zoom
87th Annual Meeting Agenda

It is the practice of the American Institute of Architects and its members to comply strictly with all laws, including federal and state antitrust laws that apply to AIA operations and activities

Call to order Mary Glowacki, AIA, President

Secretary’s Report Aaron Hill, AIA
   Declaration of Quorum
   Approval of the 86th Annual Meeting Minutes
   Moment of Silence for Deceased Members
   AIA Cleveland: Jack Alan Bialosky, Sr., FAIA; Richard Fleischman, FAIA; Donald Johnson, AIA; Nick Lesko, FAIA; Rory Osborne

   Bylaws Amendments

President’s Report Glowacki
   Presidential citations

Treasurer’s Report John Orsini, AIA
   2021-22 Budget Approval

Nominating Committee Report John Kelleher, AIA
   Election of Officers

Old/New Business
   AIA Ohio Foundation Marr Citations

Adjourn
Call to order
John Kelleher, AIA, President, called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m.

Secretary’s Report
Aaron Hill, AIA, declared a quorum.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes from the 85th Annual Meeting.

A moment of silence was held for members deceased in the past year:
- AIA Akron: Craig Thompson, AIA
- AIA Cincinnati: Harry Hake III, AIA
- AIA Cleveland: John Brown, AIA; Malcolm Cutting, AIA; Bill Dorsky, AIA; Greg Goss; Osyp Martyniuk; Jacob Stark, AIA; Piet Van Dijk, FAIA
- AIA Columbus: Marcus Brewer, AIA; Robert Myers; Joseph Schappa, AIA; Albert Sedeen, AIA
- AIA Dayton: Kevin Rhodehamel, AIA; John Ruetschle, AIA
- AIA Toledo: Gerald “Jerry” Voll, AIA

President’s Report
Kelleher highlighted items in his written report. He recognized the work of the newly created AIA Ohio Advocacy Task Force.

Executive Director’s Report
Kate Brunswick, CAE, Hon. AIA, presented the AIA Ohio Annual Management Report.

President-elect’s Report
Mary Glowacki, AIA, discussed her written report.

Treasurer’s Report
Karen Planet, AIA, discussed her written report. The proposed 2020 and 2021 budgets were presented. Planet noted that the 2020 budget was approved last year, but that the 2020 budget presented currently has some minor adjustments. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the updated 2020 amended budget. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the 2021 proposed budget.
Government Affairs Report
Luther Liggett included a written report.

AIA Ohio Foundation Report
Bruce Sekanick, FAIA, discussed his written report submitted as President of the AIA Ohio Foundation.

AIA Small Firm Exchange Report
Chris Toddy, AIA, reported on the work of the Small Firm Exchange.

AIA National Board Report
Tim Hawk, FAIA, submitted a written report.

OVR Regional Reports
Jeff Stivers, AIA, discussed the written report submitted with Terry Welker, FAIA. He highlighted work that the Strategic Council is doing. Stivers added that AIA released a statement earlier in the day announcing that AIA Past President Carl Elefante, FAIA, testified before the U.S. House Energy and Commerce Committee addressing the impact of buildings on climate change.

Matt Toddy, AIA, discussed the work of the Young Architects Forum.

Nominating Committee Report
John Weigand, AIA, introduced the proposed 2020 Slate of Officers:
President – Mary Glowacki, AIA
President-elect – Karen Planet, AIA
Secretary – Aaron Hill, AIA
Treasurer – John Orsini, AIA
Past President – John Kelleher, AIA
A motion was made, seconded and passed to elect the proposed 2020 Slate of Officers.

Old Business
There was no old business.

New Business
Kelleher presented several Presidential Citations.

Elizabeth Corbin Murphy, FAIA, updated the group on the work of the Fellows.

Adjourn
By unanimous acclamation, the meeting was adjourned.
AIA Ohio Bylaws Amendments Explanation

1. Cover page – address change to reflect new AIA Ohio address

2. Article 1, section 1.04 (a) – remove reference to the American Institute of Architects because the Ohio Valley Region is not chartered by the AIA.

3. Article 2, section 2.05 – remove reference to the Secretary – the Secretary does not enroll members in AIA Ohio. Remove reference to newsletter announcement of new members – AIA Ohio does not do this.

4. Article 2, section 2.06 – strike this section because it’s not relevant.

5. Article 2, section 2.1 – strike this section because AIA Ohio doesn’t confer honorary membership.

6. Article 3, section 3.04 and 3.05 – clarifies how members may waive or reduce dues; clarifies process for Executive Director to approve waivers already approved by local components.

7. Article 3, section 3.06 – remove requirement that Emeritus members must pay supplemental dues during the time in which they are ‘actively involved in the practice of architecture’. New emeritus membership requirements provide that to be Emeritus, one must be retired.

8. Article 3, section 3.12 – delete this provision as it outlines that AIA Ohio may request termination of membership due to lack of dues payment by April 30. AIA Ohio does not do this and leaves it up to the Institute to terminate membership.

9. Article 3, section 3.21 – remove reference to supplemental dues as an obligation, because not every member must pay them. Remove ‘thirty days’ as the timeframe for the notice. AIA Ohio relies on the Institute to notify members that they will be lapsed for not paying dues.

10. Article 3, section 3.31 – remove reference to Jan. 2 because most members pay their dues prior to the end of the year.

11. Article 4, section 4.03 – outlines that the President of AIA Ohio appoints the Ohio members of the Regional assembly (not a board election).

12. Article 5, section 5.01 (b) – allows for future annual meetings of AIA Ohio to be held via electronic means, as long as each member can hear and be heard.

13. Article 5, section 5.022 – added to allow for Board meetings to be conducted virtually, as long as Board members can hear and be heard.

14. Article 5, section 5.052 – removes reference to personal delivery for notices of special meetings; adds electronic mail as a method for notifying members of a special meeting.
15. Article 5, section 5.11 — allows for notice of the annual meeting of AIA Ohio to be made via electronic mail.

16. Article 5, section 5.13 — removes reference to the Book of Minutes — AIA Ohio keeps minutes of meetings electronically. Removes requirement that meeting minutes be signed by the Secretary. AIA Ohio does not practice this.

17. Article 5, section 5.22 — change ‘require’ to ‘request’. A roll call vote can be taken upon request.

18. Article 5, section 5.23 — notice that exception to proxy voting is outlined in 6.04.

19. Article 6, section 6.04 — allows for a component to appoint a proxy from its Executive Committee specifically and only for honor awards voting, in the event that the director and alternate director cannot attend the meeting where the honor awards voting takes place.

20. Article 6, section 6.04 (a) — adds emeritus members to the list of members counted for the weighted vote. This has been the practice — weighted vote is determined by the number of total members.

21. Article 6, section 6.05 — adds clarity by specifying members of the Strategic Council

22. Article 6, section 6.08 — This section is a bit vague, it is titled National Director, but the language references ‘National office holder’. This amendment would change ‘national office holder’ to ‘member of the Institute Board of Directors’. It would allow an Ohio member on the National Board to be a voting member of AIA Ohio’s board, the same allowance that is made for members of the Strategic Council.

23. Article 6, section 6.12 — changes reflect current practice of reporting to the Board so they are aware of who makes up the Nominating Committee.

24. Article 6, section 6.12 (b) and (c) — allows the Nominating Committee to present a candidate should the Secretary or Treasurer not want to become President-elect.

25. Article 6, section 6.14 (a) — allows slate of candidates to be sent via email (as is practice).

26. Article 6, section 6.15 — This clause clarifies process when more than one person is nominated for an office. Requires a printed ballot at the Annual Meeting, instead of mailed to all members. Correction to section 6.15(a) removes reference to mailed ballots.

27. Article 6, section 6.16 — removes ‘directorship’ because AIA Ohio doesn’t vote on the directors to the Board. They are selected by the local components.

28. Article 6, section 6.213 and 6.214 — clarifies that the Secretary and Treasurer ascend to President-elect upon completion of their term.

29. Article 6, section 6.22 — removes language that defines the terms of the Directors to the AIA Ohio Board. Terms are set by the local components when they appoint/elect them.
30. Article 6, section 6.23 and 6.23 (b) – removes the Schools Director from this because the schools don’t elect/appoint the Schools Representative. Clarifies that the President of AIA Ohio appoints this position.

31. Article 6, section 6.32 (a) – removes reference to the President of AIA Ohio as male (his). Replaces ‘designate’ with ‘designee’.

32. Article 6, section 6.343 – establishes that the AIA Ohio Secretary is also Secretary of the Ohio Valley Region Assembly, and that this person may be appointed by the President as one of Ohio’s voting delegates.

33. Article 6, section 6.35 – clarifies that the Treasurer may authorize management and collection of monies (instead of stating that the Treasurer collects monies on behalf of AIA Ohio, because they do not). Clarifies that the Treasurer supervises AIA Ohio’s finances. Removes reference that the Treasurer ‘keep the records and books of account’.

34. Article 6, section 6.353 (a) – propose to strike this entire clause. It releases the treasurer from liability after receipt of the annual audit. But 6.353 states that the treasurer is not personally liable for any financial actions if performed in good faith.

35. Article 6, section 6.345 – establishes that the AIA Ohio Treasurer is also Treasurer of the Ohio Valley Region Assembly, and that this person may be appointed by the President as one of Ohio’s voting delegates.

36. Article 6, section 6.411 – notes that the Executive committee can set meetings in a manner determined by the committee (allows for electronic meetings).

37. Article 6, section 6.412 – removes reference to a written call for a special meeting of the Executive Committee, and allows for special meetings of the Executive Committee to be conducted in a manner determined by the Executive Committee.

38. Article 6, section 6.43 – removes requirement that EC minutes must be signed by the secretary.

39. Article 7, section 7.01 – stipulates that the board recommends to the annual meeting of members the budgets for the next two fiscal years (as opposed to the next one fiscal year). Removes references to specific expenses – these may change over time.

40. Article 7, section 7.011 – moves the date by which a budget must be passed from November 1 to December 1.

41. Article 7, section 7.03 – clarifies that the audit takes place by a contracted (not employed) CPA. Removes reference to when the audit is presented to the board. AIA Ohio has no control over how quickly the audit is conducted.

42. Article 8, section 8.01 – removes reference to the AIA Ohio office required to be in Columbus. Changes this to Franklin County.
43. Article 8, section 8.02 – AIA Ohio contracts with an association management company – the AIA Ohio Executive Vice President is not employed by AIA Ohio. This amendment would correct the bylaws to reflect that the Executive Vice President is contracted by the board.

44. Article 8, section 8.32 – amendments to this section would correct the reference of AIA Ohio as Corporation (changing it to Society). Corrects reference of Directors as ‘Trustees’. This appears to have been copied from another document (probably a long time ago) and was never adjusted to reflect AIA Ohio nomenclature.

45. Article 8, section 8.33 – the amendment here that would replace Society with Board reflects AIA Ohio current practice. The Board authorizes insurance coverage purchases for AIA Ohio.

46. Article 8, section 8.41 – removes reference to Ohio Valley Region as ‘of the American Institute of Architects’ and ‘under charter issued by the board of the AIA’ because the Region is not officially chartered by the Institute.

47. Article 9, section 9.13 – clarifies that ‘the counsel’ for AIA Ohio is meant to be legal counsel.
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Renumbered, August 2010
Amended, September 2011
Institute Review, October 2011
Approved, January 2012
Approved Changes, July 2015
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1.0 ORGANIZATION

1.0.1 Name: The name of the organization is AIA Ohio, a Society of The American Institute of Architects

1.0.1.1 Related Institute Organizations: in these Bylaws the above named organization is referred to as the Society; the governing Board of Directors of this Society as the Board; the Ohio Valley Region as the Region; The American Institute of Architects as the Institute; and the Board of Directors of the Institute as the Institute Board.

1.0.2 Objects:

a. To promote and forward the objects of the American Institute of Architects within the territory of this Society. Said objects are to organize and unite in fellowship the members of the Architectural profession; to promote the aesthetic, scientific and practical efficiency of the profession; to advance the science and art of planning and building by advancing the standards of Architectural education, training and practice; to coordinate the building industry and the profession of Architecture to insure the advancement of the living standards of people through their improved environment; and to make the profession of ever-increasing service to society.

b. To encourage wise and necessary legislation and to oppose the enactment of laws and ordinances prejudicial to the practice of Architecture and to represent and act for the profession in the State of Ohio in all matters affecting the practice of Architecture.

c. To promote educational and public relations programs for the advancement of the Architectural profession and to collect and disseminate information among the members

1.0.3 Domain: The territory of AIA Ohio is the State of Ohio

1.0.4 Organization:

a. AIA Ohio is an organization of the Institute Chapters in the State of Ohio. AIA Ohio, AIA Kentucky, and AIA Indiana collectively, constitute the Ohio Valley Region of the American Institute of Architects.

b. This Society is a nonprofit membership corporation duly incorporated on the 28th day of September 1949 under and by virtue of the provisions of a corporation not for profit, under the General Corporate Act of Ohio and chartered by the Institute on the 25th day of April 1945.

1.0.5 Powers: Within the territory assigned to it, this Society shall represent and act for the Institute membership under a charter issued to it by the Institute Board. The Institute and this Society may act as agent or otherwise, one for the other, or they may delegate such agency or otherwise to a third party, for the purpose of collecting and forwarding dues, acting as custodian of funds, or otherwise; provided, that the Institute Board and this Society execute a written agreement to that effect.

1.0.6 Conformity with Institute Policy: No act of this Society shall directly or indirectly nullify or contravene any act or policy of the Institute.
1.07 Cooperation with Chapters: This Society shall cooperate with the Chapter organizations and the Regional organization to further the interests of the Architectural profession, and by agreement with these organizations, may represent and act for them within the territory of this Society.

1.1 AFFILIATIONS

1.11 Affiliation with Other Organizations: This Society shall not form nor enter into any affiliations with any individual, but it may affiliate with any organization of the construction industry operating within the territory of this Society that is not used or maintained for financial gain, price-fixing or political purposes, if and while the objects of this Society will be promoted by such affiliation.

1.2 ENDORSEMENTS

1.21 Endorsement of Parties, Methods or Products: Neither this Society, nor the Executive Committee, any Society committee, nor any of its officers, directors, committee members or employees, in an official capacity as such, shall approve, sponsor or endorse, either directly or indirectly, a political party, or any material of construction or any method or manner of handling, using, distributing or dealing in any material or product.

1.22 Endorsement of Political Candidates: The Society, with a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors, may make an endorsement of a political candidate where such endorsement is deemed in the best interests of AIA Ohio. The voting shall be in accordance Section 6.04, and such vote shall be taken after a minimum sixty day notification of all members of the board, alternate directors, and chapter Presidents. The endorsement shall be valid only for a twelve month period and shall be limited to persons seeking elected positions in the state government of the State of Ohio.

1.23 Retraction of Endorsements: The Society, with a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors, may retract an endorsement of a political candidate where such retraction is deemed in the best interests of AIA Ohio. The voting shall be in accordance Section 6.04.

ARTICLE 2
MEMBERSHIPS

2.0 Architect, Intern and Associate Members

2.01 Categories of membership: The members of this Society shall consist of the Architect Members, Associate Members, and International Associate Members who have been assigned to Chapter membership within the domain of this Society by the Institute and others who have been admitted to Society membership by this Society.

2.02 Definitions: In these Bylaws, Architect Members, Associate Members, and International Associate Members who have been assigned to Chapter membership within the domain of this Society are referred to as “assigned members.”

2.03 Qualifications: This Society shall not establish qualifications for assigned members in addition to, or which vary from, the Institute’s policies for membership.

2.04 Use of Title: An Architect Member of one of the Ohio Chapters of the Institute may use the title “AIA Member of AIA Ohio.” An Associate Member of one of the Ohio Chapters of the Institute may use the title “Associate Member of AIA Ohio.” An International Associate Member of one of the Ohio Chapters may use the title “International Associate Member of AIA Ohio.”
2.05 Enrollment of members: Every member assigned to or admitted by this Society shall be duly notified to that effect by the Society, and shall be enrolled by the Secretary as a member of this Society without requiring payment of an admission fee, and such membership shall be announced in its next official publication.

2.06 Resignations: Any person admitted to this Society, other than an assigned member, may resign from this Society, provided that such member present a resignation in writing to the Secretary and is in good standing at the time of resignation. If the Secretary finds the member qualified to resign, the resignation shall be effective as of the date the letter of resignation was received by the Secretary.

2.07 Termination: Each assigned member of this Society shall remain a member until terminated by the Institute or reassigned by the Institute. An Associate Member who receives an initial license to practice architecture thereby becomes eligible for Architect membership and may not renew membership as an Associate.

2.08 Members Emeriti: Any member who has been granted member emeritus status in accordance with the Institute Bylaws shall ipso facto be a Member Emeritus of this Society. All rights, interests, privileges, titles, liabilities and obligations, other than the payment of dues, shall remain unchanged.

a) Use of the title “Member Emeritus of AIA Ohio” is permitted.

2.1 HONORARY MEMBERS

2.11 Qualifications: A person of esteemed character who is not eligible for membership in the Institute or this Society, but who has rendered distinguished service to the profession of Architecture or to the arts and sciences allied therewith within the territory of this Society may be admitted as an Honorary Member in accordance with the Rules of the Board.

ARTICLE 3
DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

3.0 Annual Dues

3.01 Regular Dues: Every member shall pay regular dues to the Society in an amount determined in accordance with these Bylaws.

a. Regular dues shall cover a calendar year, and shall be due and payable, in full, on or before January 1st of each year at the headquarters of the Institute.

b. Every Associate Member, and International Associate Member shall pay regular dues to the Society in an amount determined in accordance with these Bylaws.

3.02 Right to Levy Dues and Assessments: The members at an annual or other duly called meeting of the Society may establish and fix regular annual dues. The Board may adjust dues within the limits set forth below in Section 3.021. The Board may establish and fix supplemental annual dues.

3.021 Adjustments in Annual Dues:

a. The dues for the Association shall automatically increase by a percentage equal to the CPI, not to exceed 10% annually, unless otherwise reduced or eliminated by a vote of the Board of Directors.
3.03 Interpretation of Dues Regulation: The Treasurer shall interpret all forms, rules and regulation relating to the application and calculation of dues.

3.04 Reduction or Waiver of Dues: The delegates members at any duly called meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds concurring vote of those attending, may remit waives or reduce any part or all of the regular dues required to be paid by any class of member for any the current fiscal year.

3.05 Hardship Dues Reduction: The Board, in exceptional circumstances and for adequate cause, on an individual basis, the Executive Director may waive all or any part of the AIA Ohio dues required to be paid or owed by a member in any class for any the current fiscal year, if the waiver has already been approved by the member’s local chapter.

3.06 Member Emeritus: Anyone who has been granted Emeritus status in the Institute shall hold Emeritus status in the Society.
   a. Members Emeriti shall not be obligated for regular annual dues.
   b. Members Emeriti shall be required to pay supplemental dues during the period of time in which they are actively involved in the practice of Architecture.

3.1 ASSESSMENTS

3.11 Authority: Assessments may be levied or authorized for special or unusual expenses by two-thirds vote of the members attending the annual meeting, or a special meeting of the Society. The members, at such meeting, by a two-thirds vote may delegate such power to the Board with such limitations as the members may choose to impose, including limitations as to purpose and period of time.

3.12 Notice of Default to Member: If a member is in default as of April 30, a request for termination of membership, retroactive to January 1 that year, shall be sent to the member, to the Institute and the Chapter.

3.2 TERMINATION OF SUSPENSION FOR DEFAULT OF DUES OR ASSESSMENTS

3.21 Members: Every member who has not paid regular and supplemental Society dues owed for the current calendar year on or before March 31 of said year or who has failed to report on an obligation to pay supplemental dues, shall be in default, and shall be given thirty days’ notice by the Institute.
   a. A former member who has been terminated by the Institute for nonpayment of dues, and then readmitted, shall pay the current dues for the year of readmission and all dues and other obligations to the Society outstanding and unpaid at the date of termination.
   b. Nothing contained in these Bylaws shall be construed to limit liability imposed by law on any member. The termination or suspension of membership shall not relieve the person whose membership has been terminated or suspended from indebtedness to the Society.

3.22 Unassigned Members: If an unassigned member is in default to this Society for nonpayment of dues and assessments, such membership shall be suspended or terminated, provided that in all cases such member shall have been given a written notice of impending suspension or termination at least 30 days prior to the effective date of such action, during which period the member shall remain in good standing and such default may be cured.
3.3 SUPPLEMENTAL DUES

3.3.1 Authority: Every member who is an owner or manager in an organization using registered architects to perform services is jointly and severely liable for the payment of supplemental dues, based on the total number of registered architects employed by the firm; including employers, in an amount determined in accordance with these Bylaws. A supplemental dues credit shall be given, as determined by the Board, for each registered architect who is a member of the Institute as of January 2nd.

a. Each member shall report annually, on a form provided by the Institute, whether or not the member has an obligation to pay supplemental dues. Failure to so report shall be grounds for recommendation of termination of membership.

b. A new member is not liable for payment of supplemental dues until January 1 of the year following admission.

c. Supplemental dues shall be calculated as provided in the Rules of the Board.

d. Supplemental dues shall cover a calendar year and shall be due and payable, in full, on or before January 1 of each year at the headquarters of the Institute.

e. Associate Members and International Associate Members are not obligated to supplemental dues.

ARTICLE 4
RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER INSTITUTE ORGANIZATIONS

4.0 REGIONAL ORGANIZATION

4.01 Chapter Representation in Regional Organization: The Regional Assembly of the Ohio Valley Region of American Institute of Architects shall be comprised of Delegates of the societies of the states of Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. Proportional delegate representation shall be in accordance with the Bylaws of the Ohio Valley Region.

a. The Regional Assembly shall call for the nominations of and elect Regional Representatives to represent the Ohio Valley Region on the Strategic Council of the Institute.

4.02 Delegates to the Regional Assembly: Representation at the Regional Assembly is established by the Bylaws of the Ohio Valley Region based on a membership ratio.

4.03 Delegate Selection Procedure: The President and the President-elect shall serve as the initial two (2) Delegates. The President, as permitted by the membership ratio, shall elect additional Delegates.

ARTICLE 5
MEETINGS

5.0 REGULAR, ANNUAL, AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

5.01 Annual Meeting: This Society shall hold an annual meeting for the purpose of receiving the annual reports; and for the transaction of other business as may be appropriate.
a. The President and Treasurer of the Society shall each make an annual report, in writing, to the annual meeting. The President’s report shall include a report on the activities of the Board, the Executive Committee, and regular and special committees.

b. The annual meeting shall be held on such date or dates after September 1 and prior to December 1, and at such place within, or without, the State of Ohio in person or via electronic means as long as each member may hear and be heard, as the Board may determine, unless it shall have been fixed by the preceding annual meeting.

5.02 Regular Meetings: The Board shall hold a minimum of six (6) regular meetings in each calendar year.

5.021 Quorum: A majority of the entire voting membership of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. In the absence of a quorum, those Directors and Officers present may adjourn the meeting from day to day or to a later day.

5.022 Meetings of the AIA Ohio Board: Meetings of the AIA Ohio Board may be held in person or via electronic means as long as each member of the Board can hear and be heard.

5.03 Special Meetings of the Board: A special meeting of the Board shall be held at the written request of any five members of the Board or upon the call of the President. The Board shall transact only the business stated in the call and notice for the special meeting unless this provision is waived in writing by every member of the Board.

5.031 Notices Required: A notice of the time and place of each meeting of the Board, either written or emailed, or published in a printed or electronic newsletter, together with the call if it is to be a special meeting, shall be sent to every Officer and Director, not less than thirty days before the date fixed for the meeting.

5.032 Waiver of Notice: The thirty day minimum notice of a meeting may be waived by any member of the Board.

5.04 Decisions

5.041 Decisions by Majority Vote: Every decision of the Board shall be by a majority vote unless otherwise required by law or these bylaws. Upon request, the vote of an Officer or member of the Board shall be entered in the minutes.

5.042 Decisions by Two-Thirds Vote: Unless the provisions of the laws of the State of Ohio require otherwise, an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the total membership of the Board shall be required to adopt, amend, suspend or rescind rules or policies supplementing these Bylaws; to form an affiliation; to fix annual dues; to adopt a general budget; to create and establish a financial obligation or liability in excess of the appropriation fixed in the general budget; to give a proxy in any corporation; to accept any gift, bequest or devise; to purchase, sell lease or hypothecate any real property; or act on any matter for which a two-thirds vote is required by these Bylaws.

5.043 Roll Call Vote: The vote of the Board shall be taken by roll call on demand of any member of the Board or when required by these Bylaws.
5.044 Letter Ballot: The sense of the Board may be taken by letter ballot, but such ballot shall not constitute an act of the Board or be effective or binding on the Society or the Board or on any member thereof.

5.05 Special Meetings: Special meetings of the membership of the Society shall be held whenever such a meeting is called by:

a. The President of the Society or in the case of absence, death, or disability of the President, the President-elect or Secretary authorized to exercise the authority of the President.

b. A vote of the majority of the members present at the annual meeting of the Society.

c. A written petition by two-thirds vote of the entire Board.

d. Resolutions adopted by a majority of the Chapters.

e. The written petition to the Board of Directors signed by not less than twenty-five percent (25%) of all assigned members of the Society. The petition shall state the purposes of such special meeting.

5.051 Business to be transacted: A special meeting called under the provisions of Sections a, b, or c of this Section shall be held on such date or dates and at such place within the State of Ohio as the party calling such meeting may designate. A special meeting called under the provisions of Sections d or e of this Section shall be held within forty-five (45) days after receipt of such resolution or petition by the Secretary of the Society. The meeting shall be held at a location within Franklin County, Ohio.

5.052 Notice of Special Meetings: Notice of such special meeting shall be given either by personal delivery or by mail or electronic mail to each member at latest address filed with the Society, not less than fifteen (15) days nor more than forty-five (45) days after receipt of such resolution or petition.

5.1 NOTICE, QUORUM, MINUTES FOR SOCIETY MEETINGS

5.11 Notice of Society Meetings: Notice of the annual meeting shall be given to each member at latest address filed with the Society, or via electronic mail, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days before the date of the meeting.

5.12 Quorum at Meetings: The quorum shall be necessary for the transaction of any business at any meeting of this Society.

a. A quorum for a meeting of the Society shall be the majority of those members present and voting, representing a majority of the Chapters of the Society.

5.13 Minutes of Meetings: Written minutes of every meeting of this Society, recording all the matters before the meeting and every action taken thereat, shall be kept in the Book of Minutes of this by the Society. The minutes of each meeting shall be signed by the Secretary and approved at a subsequent meeting of this Society.

5.2 DECISION AND ELIGIBILITY FOR VOTING

5.21 Majority Vote: Every decision at a meeting shall be by a majority of votes cast unless otherwise required by these Bylaws.
5.22 **Roll Call Vote:** A roll call vote shall be taken whenever one-third (1/3) of the voting members present shall so request.

5.23 **Proxies:** There shall be no voting by proxy at any meeting of this Society, except as noted in section 6.04.

5.24 **Limitations on Voting Eligibility:** Only assigned members in good standing may vote at any meeting of the Society. Only elected members of the Board may vote at any meeting of the Board.

### ARTICLE 6

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

6.0 MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

6.01 **Composition:** The Directors and the Officers, jointly, shall constitute and be the Board of Directors of AIA Ohio.

6.02 **Membership Requirements:** Every voting member of the Board shall be a member of a Chapter.

6.03 **Directors Number:** The members of each Chapter shall be represented on the Board by one Director.

6.04 **Voting:** With the exception of Honor Award voting each Director shall have a weighted voting power according to the membership of the Chapter represented, with one vote per each 50 members, or major fraction thereof. In instances when the Board of Directors serves as a jury, e.g. Honor Awards, each Officer and Director shall be entitled to one vote. If a chapter’s Director and the chapter’s Alternate Director cannot attend the Board meeting during which the Honor Awards will be chosen, the Director may select their chapter’s President, President-elect, Secretary or Treasurer to attend the meeting and vote by proxy for the Honor Awards. Proxy voting for Honor Awards is not permitted for AIA Ohio officers, nor any other voting member of the Board who is not serving as their chapter’s Director.

For purposes of computing the number of votes a Director is entitled to cast, the chapter membership shall be the total number of assigned AIA Members, Associate Members, and International Associate Members and Emeritus Members in the Chapter as of December 31 of the preceding year.

6.05 **Regional Members of the Strategic Council Representative:** Regional Representatives Members of the Strategic Council who are members of AIA Ohio shall be members of the Board with one vote, and take part in their deliberations.

6.06 **Executive Vice President:** The Executive Vice President shall be a member of the Board without vote, and take part in their deliberations.

6.07 **School of Architecture Director:** This Director shall be an AIA Ohio member and shall be a representative of one of the accredited schools of Architecture within the State of Ohio. This Director shall be appointed by the President and shall serve a term of one (1) year. This Director shall take part in all Board deliberations and shall have one vote.

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6.08 National Director: Members of the National Board: A national Officer holder member of the Institute Board of Directors who is a member of AIA Ohio shall be a member of the AIA Ohio Board with one vote, and take part in their Board deliberations.

6.09 Associate Director: There shall be two (2) Associate Directors. The Associate Directors shall be Associate Members of the AIA at the time they are elected. The Associate Directors shall be elected by the Board, based on nominations by the Chapters, with each Chapter having not more than one (1) nomination. The election shall take place at the board meeting preceding the annual meeting of the Society. The Associate Directors shall serve for a staggered term of two (2) years each, or until a successor is chosen. The Senior Associate Director shall have one (1) vote. In the absence of the Senior Associate Director, the Junior Associate Director shall carry the Associate Director vote.

6.010 General Function and Jurisdiction: The Board shall manage, direct, control and administer the property, affairs and business of the Society, admit and govern its members; act as trustee for and be the custodian of its properties and interests, except those placed in the custody or under the administration of the Treasurer by the provisions of these Bylaws; exercise all authority, rights and powers granted the Board by the laws of the State of Ohio and conduct its business as required by said laws and these Bylaws.

6.011 General Duties of the Board: The Board shall be responsible for the execution of all general policies and instruction adopted at any meeting of the Society and shall act for and on behalf of the Society in all matters within its jurisdiction. It shall present at each annual meeting a report in writing of the condition and interests of the Society and its activities and accomplishments, including such recommendations, as it deems fit and proper.

6.012 Delegation of Authority: The Board may authorize others than the Board to perform certain of the duties of the Board, under these Bylaws and the Rules of the Board. The Board may at anytime take over the performance of any or all of these duties unless explicitly provided otherwise in the Bylaws. Only those to whom authority is delegated by the Board may perform duties of the Board, and each duty so performed shall be done, under the general directions and instructions of the Board, which shall be responsible therefore.

   a. The Board shall establish and adopt rules and policies from time to time to supplement these Bylaws.

6.1 NOMINATON AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

6.11 Election of Officers: The Officers described in this section are elected by the delegates at the annual meeting of the Society and are members of the Society. The President however, is not elected directly but assumes office by automatic succession from the office of President-elect. The President shall be elected at the annual meeting only when a President-elect is unwilling to assume office.

   6.111 Filling of Unexpired Terms of Officers: If any office except that of President becomes vacant, the Board shall fill the office for the remainder of the term. If the office of President becomes vacant, President-elect shall become President the following year. If the offices of President and President-elect become vacant, the Board shall elect an acting President from the Officers serving or elected to serve at the time the vacancy occurs to serve until the next annual meeting of the Society.
6.12 Nominations: At the Board meeting no later than 120 days prior to the annual meeting, the President of the Board shall select a report to the Board. A Nominating Committee, comprised of the President, Immediate Past President, and the representative of the President-elect’s Chapter, to prepare and present to all Chapter members a slate of candidates for the offices of:

a. President-elect (1 year term): if the President-elect is unable to or does not desire to become President for the next year, the Nominating Committee shall also present a candidate for the office of President.

b. Secretary (2 year term): if the Secretary is unable to or does not desire to become President-elect upon completion of their term, the Nominating Committee shall also present a candidate for the office of President-elect.

c. Treasurer (2 year term): if the Treasurer is unable to or does not desire to become President-elect upon completion of their term, the Nominating Committee shall also present a candidate for the office of President-elect.

6.13 Restrictions on Nominations: The Nominating Committee shall not nominate candidates from Chapters with members holding office other than Immediate Past President in the new election year.

6.14 Notification: The Nominating Committee shall cause to have assembled a resume and photo of each candidate for office 75 days prior to the annual meeting. The resume shall contain such information as required by the Rules of the Board.

a. The resume and photo shall be mailed or emailed to all Chapter AIA Ohio members 45 days prior to the annual meeting.

b. No later than 30 days prior to the annual meeting additional nominations may be submitted to the Society’s office and shall contain the resume and photo as required by the Rules of the Board and shall be accompanied by a letter of nomination bearing the signatures of at least fifteen (15) assigned members representing at least three (3) Chapters and with not less than three (3) nor more than seven (7) signatures from any one Chapter.

6.15 Ballots Elections: If more than one member is nominated by the Nominating Committee or an additional nominee is received, printed ballots shall be prepared and distributed at the Annual Meeting, for the particular office, to all Chapter members 20 days prior to the annual meeting and shall be returned to the Society’s office 5 days prior to the annual meeting.

- All letter ballots shall be identified by signature of the member on the outside of the envelope and checked off the roster of qualified members upon receipt at the Society’s office. The validation check off list shall be given to the Tellers Committee with all of the ballots for tabulation.

a. If printed ballots are required for any office, a three (3) person Tellers Committee representing three (3) Chapters shall be appointed by the President, from those Board members in attendance at the annual meeting. The Tellers Committee shall count and tabulate the votes of the validated ballots and shall immediately provide the Secretary with a tabulation of the votes for each office. The Secretary shall immediately notify the Board of announce the successful candidate.
b. If only one member is nominated for an office the Secretary shall be directed by the Society’s Board to cast a unanimous ballot for said nominee, whereupon the President shall declare the nominee to be elected.

6.16 Tie Votes: In the event of a tie vote, the list of nominees for each office (and each directorship) in question shall be restricted to those involved in the tie, and the nominee receiving a majority in the runoff election shall be elected to the office.

6.17 Results: The names of all successful candidates shall be published in the next newsletter of the Society.

6.18 Order of Succession of Officers: In the event that the President and the President-elect shall all be absent, or unable, refuse or fail to act, then the Secretary and Treasurer, in that order, shall perform as may be required, the duties of any or all of those offices.

6.2 Terms of Office of Officers

6.21 Term: Officers shall take office January 1 following the annual meeting of the Society, except for those who are elected by the Board to fill a vacancy, who shall take office immediately.

6.211 The President: The President may serve only one term of one year, and shall ascend automatically from the office of President-elect.

6.212 The President-elect: The President-elect shall serve only one term of one year, and shall ascend automatically to the office of President.

6.213 The Secretary: The Secretary shall serve only one term of two years, and shall ascend automatically to the office of President-elect upon completion of their term—a whose term shall be for two years, shall not serve more than two terms. The Secretary’s term of office shall expire in even-numbered years.

6.214 The Treasurer: The Treasurer shall serve only one term of two years, and shall ascend automatically to the office of President-elect upon completion of their term—a whose term shall be for two years, shall not serve more than two terms. The Treasurer’s term of office shall expire on odd-numbered years.

6.215 The Immediate Past President: The Immediate Past President shall serve for one term of one year immediately following his or her/their term as President.

6.216 Limits of Term: No person shall serve more than a total of four consecutive years in any combination of the offices of Secretary and Treasurer.

6.22 Terms of the Office of Directors: Directors shall take office January 1 following the annual meeting of the Board next following their election. Their terms of office shall be for three years, provided, however, that their terms shall be staggered so that no more than one third of the Board changes each year. A Director shall not serve two consecutive terms of office, provided, however, that if during the period immediately prior to the election the Director was filling an unexpired term or had been elected to a term of less than three years, the Director is eligible for election to a full three-year term. Each chapter shall set the term for the Director and Alternate Director representing that chapter.
6.23 Filling of Unexpired Terms on Board: Each Chapter and the Schools shall designate a member as Director to the Board and Alternate Director to serve in case of absence of the Director. Alternate Directors shall regularly receive notices, minutes and reports of the Board.

a. Should a vacancy on the Board occur, the Secretary shall immediately instruct the governing body of the Chapter affected to designate a new Director to fill the unexpired term. Should the Chapter not take such action within sixty (60) days of such notification, the Society’s Board shall make such designation of a new Director and so notify the Board.

b. Vacancies in the School of Architecture Director’s position shall be filled in the same matter as stated herein for Chapters by appointment by the President.

6.24 Removal of Directors: If there is not more than one vote of the entire membership of the Board of Directors to the contrary, the Board of Directors, by secret ballot, may remove any Officer or Director of the Society for refusal, neglect, or failure to perform the duties of this office or position, or for any act contrary to the policies and instructions of the Board of Directors and shall offer the opportunity to the said Officer or Director to be heard, but its action shall be final and conclusive and without recourse. The vacancy thus created shall be filled as provided in these Bylaws.

6.3 OFFICERS

6.31 Officers: The Officers shall be the President, the President-elect, the Secretary, the Treasurer and Immediate Past President.

a. Each Officer shall have one vote in deliberations of the Board.

6.32 The President: The President shall exercise general supervision over the Board and its affairs and shall perform all the duties required by these Bylaws or delegated by the Board, and all other duties, which are usual and incidental to this office.

a. The President or his designee shall be the Society delegate to Institute meetings.

b. The President shall serve as a Delegate to the Regional Assembly.

6.33 The President-elect: The President-elect shall, in the absence of the President, preside and perform all the duties as may properly be assigned by the President or the Society’s Board.

a. The President-elect shall serve as a Delegate to the Regional Assembly.

6.34 The Secretary: The Secretary shall be an administrative Officer of the Society and shall act as its recording secretary, its corresponding secretary and the secretary of each meeting of the Society and the Board. The Secretary shall perform or cause to be performed the duties usual and incidental to the office, the duties required to be performed by law and these Bylaws and the duties properly assigned by the Board.

6.341 Specific Duties of the Secretary: The Secretary shall:

a. Issue all notices and all calls of all meetings of the Society and the Board.
b. Conduct the general correspondence of the Society except such as delegated or assigned to the staff of the Society.

c. Affix, seal and sign papers.

d. Supervise the maintenance of the membership rolls and corporate records.

e. Maintain current in the executive office of the Society a copy of the current membership rolls, the minutes of meetings, the Treasurer’s annual reports and other vital records of the Society required by law to be maintained in that office, and shall have charge and custody of all records in such office.

6.342 Reports: The Secretary shall Furnish the Institute with such reports as may be required from time to time; shall, at least annually, furnish the Institute Secretary with names and addresses of all Officers and assigned members of this Society required to keep the Institute’s records up-to-date and complete; and shall periodically report all resignations, requests for transfer or defaults of it assigned members.

6.343 Regional Assembly Delegate: The Secretary shall serve as Secretary of the Regional Assembly as an ex officio and non-voting member and may be appointed by the President to serve as one of AIA Ohio’s voting delegates.

6.35 The Treasurer: The Treasurer shall exercise general supervision of the financial affairs of AIA Ohio; have the custody of its monies and securities, except as provided in the Rules of the Board; shall collect, authorize collection of all monies of the Society; authorize the purchase of, sell, issue, assign, transfer and dispose of all of its securities as are placed in the Treasurer’s charge; have charge of all matters relating to insurance, taxes, bonds and annuities of the Society; keep, supervise, the records and books of account of the Society’s financial transactions; sign all instruments of the Society when required; perform all duties required by law and these Bylaws, and those properly assigned by the Board.

6.351 Reports: The Treasurer shall present an accurate written report to the Board at its regular meetings and to the delegates at each annual convention, and at other meetings of the Society, as required.

6.352 Delegation of Authority: The Treasurer shall not authorize any person to sign any financial instrument, notice or agreement of the Society that requires the signature of the Treasurer, unless such delegation or authorization is expressly permitted in these Bylaws or the Rules of the Board. The actual performance of the clerical, bookkeeping, statistical, collecting and recording work of the office may be delegated to the Executive Vice President, who may also be authorized to sign checks of the Society under conditions prescribed in the Rules of the Board, and records, vouchers, receipts and other documents if such delegation is not prohibited by these Bylaws.

6.353 Liability of the Treasurer: The Treasurer shall not be personally liable for any decrease of the capital, surplus, income, balance or reserve of any fund or account resulting from any acts performed in good faith in conducting the usual business of the office.

—— Release from Liability: Upon receipt of an annual audit showing the accounts of the Society are in good order, the retiring Treasurer shall be released from all liability thereto.
6.35 Regional Assembly Delegate – the AIA Ohio Treasurer shall serve as Treasurer of the Ohio Valley Region Assembly as an ex-officio and may be appointed by the President to serve as one of AIA Ohio’s voting delegates.

6.36 Immediate Past President: The Immediate Past President shall serve as Chairperson of the Nominating Committee for the officers of the Society.

6.4 MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

6.41 Meetings Required: The Executive Committee meeting shall be conducted through regular or electronic session in order to transact business.

6.411 Regular Meetings: The Executive Committee may hold regular meetings without notice at a time and place in a manner determined by members of the Executive Committee.

6.412 Special Meetings: A special meeting of the Executive Committee shall be held if requested in writing by one-third of the members of the Executive Committee, or at the call of the President. The Secretary shall issue a written call and notice of each special meeting, stating the time, place, manner and purpose of the meeting and the business to be transacted, shall be sent to the Executive Committee and only the business stated in the call and notice shall be transacted at the special meeting.

6.413 Waiver of Notice: Either the call and notice of a special meeting or any limitations as to the business to be transacted, or both, may be waived by the written consent of every member of the Executive Committee. Any irregularity in or failure of notice of meeting of the Executive Committee shall not invalidate the meeting or any action taken.

6.42 Quorum and Vote: A majority of the members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of its business. Except as otherwise provided by law, the vote of a majority of the Executive Committee members present at the time of the vote shall be the act of the Executive Committee if a quorum is present.

6.43 Minutes: The Secretary shall keep written minutes of each meeting of the Executive Committee, recording the matters considered at the meeting and the actions taken. Minutes shall be distributed to the members of the Executive Committee at the next Executive Committee meeting and thereafter signed by the Secretary and filed with the Chapter’s Society’s records.

6.5 COMMISSIONS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

6.51 Commissions and Standing Committees: Commissions and Standing Committees may be established by the Board both as to structure and purpose.
6.52 **Ad Hoc Committees and Task Forces:** The President may create new committees and task forces, and shall report to the Board. The President may make appointments to them, fill other committee vacancies as may be needed, and may add members to committees.

6.53 **Authority:** No commission, committee, task force, nor any member or chairperson thereof, shall incur financial obligations unless authorized to do so by the Board. None of the foregoing shall commit the Society on any matter without specific written authority.

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**ARTICLE 7**  
**FINANCES**

7.0 **FINANCES**

7.01 **General Budget:** The Board, each year, shall recommend to the annual meeting of the members a general budget, which shall show the anticipated income and expenditures, in detail, for the incoming next two fiscal years. The general budget shall show in detail, first, the anticipated gross income and anticipated net income from all sources during said period; and second, the expenditures estimated as incidental and necessary to pay all costs and expenses of publishing, printing and distributing the documents and literature, all costs and expenses of maintaining and keeping the property in good repair and order, all interest charges, amortization charges and installments, and all other costs and expenses of developing, establishing, conducting, directing, supervising, administering and carrying on the activities and affairs of the Society in a proper, diligent and efficient manner.

7.011 **Annual Budget:** Not later than November 1, the members by a majority vote of those present, shall adopt an annual balanced budget showing in detail the anticipated income, and expenditures, of the Society.

a. The Society shall not adopt any budget, which in the aggregate in any fiscal year will exceed the sum of the estimated net income of the next fiscal year plus the accumulated reserves as of the beginning of the next fiscal year.

7.02 **Expenditures and Liabilities**

7.021 **General Limitations:** No member, Officer, Director, committee, jury, employee, agent or representative of the Society shall have any right, authority or power to expend any money of the Society to incur any liability for and in its behalf, or to make any commitment which will or may be deemed to bind or involve the Society in any expense or financial liability, unless such expenditure, liability or commitment has been authorized and budgeted by the Board or by a specific resolution at a duly called meeting of the Society, nor shall they have any right, authority or power to incur any expense of the unexpended and unencumbered balance of such specific appropriation.

7.022 **Expenditures Limited to Income:** The Board shall not expend or authorize expenditures in any fiscal year of an amount exceeding the total estimated income to be received by the Society during such year, as shown in the budget for that year, unless directed and authorized so to do at a duly called meeting of the Society by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the members in attendance.
7.023 Treasurer's Limitations: The Treasurer shall not have any right or authority to pay any expense or obligation for or on behalf of the Society unless an appropriation to pay such expense or obligation has been duly made by the Board, nor shall the Treasurer pay an expense or obligation on account of any specific appropriation in excess of the unexpended and unencumbered balance of such specific appropriation.

7.03 Audits: The Board shall authorize employment of a Certified Public Accountant to audit the books and accounts of the Society. A written audit report shall be provided to the Board annually, and to report to the Board not later than the third month of each fiscal year.

7.04 Fiscal Year: The fiscal year of the Society shall be the calendar year.

7.1 REAL PROPERTY

7.11 General Powers: In furtherance but not in limitation of the powers conferred upon it by the articles of incorporation and amendments thereto, the Society may carry on its business and exercise it corporate powers as a scientific and educational Society within the limits of the State of Ohio and beyond the same, and may take and acquire real property and personal property to advance its objects by purchase, lease, gift, devise, bequest or otherwise, and may exercise all of its legal rights relating to such property and the proceeds and income therefrom.

7.12 Authority to Sell, Purchase, Lease, Mortgage, Transfer or Convey Real Property: The real property of the Society and the improvements thereon, may be sold, leased, mortgaged, transferred or conveyed by way of deed of trust or otherwise by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the total membership of the Board.

  a. Real property may be purchased by the Society and improvements placed thereon, or an agreement may be entered into by it as lessee, either severally or collectively, provided commitments therefore shall not exceed five years, and upon a two-thirds affirmative vote of the Board. Longer commitments may be entered into upon the affirmative vote of the members at a duly called meeting of the Society.

7.2 DIVIDENDS PROHIBITED

Unexpended and unencumbered income in a fund at the close of a fiscal year shall be used only to further the objects of the Society, safeguard its future, and perfect its members in the art, practice and science of Architecture, and shall never be distributed as dividends to the members.

7.3 PROPERTY INTERESTS

7.31 Title: All title to and interest in the real and personal property of the Society imposed, granted and conferred by the laws of the State of Ohio and these Bylaws are vested and shall remain in the Society. No member shall have any right, title or interest in such property at any time.

7.32 Intangible Property: All title to and interest in the seal and insignia of the Society and abbreviations thereof in the initials AIA Ohio, denoting membership in the Society, whether or not the said initials are prefixed or suffixed by one or more titles, names, letters or symbols, and in all other intangible property of the Society, shall rest solely and shall always remain in the Society and shall be vested in its members.
7.33 Successor Interests: Upon dissolution of the Society, its net assets, after payment of all legitimate claims and expenses, shall be paid proportionately to each of the member Chapters based upon the recorded Chapter membership as of the beginning of the then current fiscal year. If the Board determines such distribution to be unfeasible, the Board may pay all or portions thereof to the AIA Ohio Foundation or to the American Institute of Architects.

ARTICLE 8
GENERAL PROVISIONS

8.0 ADMINISTRATIVE AND EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS

8.01 Offices: The registered office of the Society shall be in Columbus Franklin county, Ohio.

8.02 Executive Vice President: An executive officer, who shall be known as the Executive Vice President, shall be employed contracted by and shall report to the Board.

8.03 Duties of the Executive Vice President:

8.031 Management: The Executive Vice President shall be and act as the chief executive officer of the Society, and as such shall be responsible for the general management of the administration of its affairs, subject to the Bylaws, and the rules, policies and directions of the Board.

8.032 Administration: The Executive Vice President shall have general oversight of all of the activities of the Society and in general shall be the interpreter of the directives of the Board.

8.033 Policies: The Executive Vice President shall be responsible for implementing general policies of the Society.

8.034 Program: The Executive Vice President shall be charged with the administration of programs and activities and shall coordinate all Society affairs.

8.035 Liaison: The Executive Vice President shall maintain contacts with other professional societies in fields allied to Architecture and with trade associations in the construction industry in order to be constantly informed as to activities in those fields, extending the cooperation of the Society as circumstances may warrant.

8.04 Assistants to Executive Vice President: The Executive Vice President may employ assistants to perform such duties as may be assigned.

8.1 INSPECTION OF BOOKS AND RECORDS

Correspondence, books of account and records of the Society, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, shall be open at the executive offices to the inspection of any member in good standing during the regular business hours of the Society.
8.2 PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised shall supplement these Bylaws and Rules of the Board adopted by the Society and the Board and shall govern the Society, the Board, the commissions and the committees in all cases in which such rules are applicable and are not inconsistent or in conflict with law, these Bylaws, or the rules and regulations adopted by the Society and the Board.

8.3 LIABILITY, IDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

8.31 Liability: In the absence of misconduct, fraud, or bad faith, the present and former Officers, Directors, and employees of this Society shall not be personally liable for its debts, obligations, or liabilities.

8.32 Indemnification: The Corporation, Society shall indemnify to the fullest extent authorized or permitted by the Ohio Nonprofit Corporation Law, any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed actions, suit or proceeding (whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative) because such person is or was a Trustee, Director, Officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, Society or serves or served any other enterprise in such capacity at the request of the Corporation, Society.

8.33 Insurance: The Society Board may authorize the purchase and maintenance by this Society of such insurance on behalf of the present and former Officers, Directors, employees and persons acting in any other capacity at the request of this Society as may protect them against any liability asserted against them in such capacity, whether or not this Society would have the power to indemnify such persons under applicable law.

8.4 COOPERATION WITH THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

8.41 The Ohio Valley Region: The Society shall support the Ohio Valley Regional Assembly of the American Institute of Architects which represents the Chapters or sections of Chapters within the States of Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana under charter issued by the Board of The American Institute of Architects, on regional matters only.

8.42 The Institute: The Society shall endeavor to support the American Institute of Architects and its activities and shall not directly or indirectly nullify or contravene any Bylaws or rule of The American Institute of Architects. Voting on any question concerning the affairs of the American Institute of Architects or its Chapters or sections shall be limited to assigned members of the Society in good standing.

ARTICLE 9
AMENDMENTS AND INTERPRETATIONS

9.0 AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS
9.01 Notice of Proposed Amendments: Vote: These Bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the Society by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of those assigned members in attendance; provided, that the Secretary shall have sent to each assigned member notice of the proposed amendment and a notice of the meeting at which it is to be voted upon.
a. Notice: Such notice of proposed amendment shall be deemed to have been sent if it has been published in a written or electronic publication of the Society, including email notices, and this publication has been sent to each assigned member not less than thirty days before the day of the meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be voted upon.

b. Sponsorship: Every proposed amendment must be sponsored by the Board, or by a written petition signed by assigned members in good standing in the Society. A petition by assigned members must bear the signatures of not less than one percent of the total number of assigned members then in good standing in the Society, and must have been received by the Secretary not less than sixty days before the opening day of the meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be voted upon.

9.1 AMENDMENTS BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

9.1.1 Limitations to Amendments by the Board: In addition to the power to amend certain provisions of these Bylaws in the manner and to the extent herein elsewhere given to the Board, the Board, by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of its entire membership, may amend any other provision of the Bylaws to forward the objects and facilitate the activities of the Society or to eliminate from said Bylaws any inconsistency; provided, that:

a. As a result of any such amendment, the power of the Board is not increased; the name and objects of the Society, its membership and the qualifications therefore, its government, meetings, conditions of affiliations and the terms or office or manner of election of its Officers and Directors are not changed; the rights and interests of any member are not lessened or diminished; the fees, dues, and other financial liability of any member are not increased, unless the Board is herein elsewhere authorized to do so; the safeguarding of the investments, securities, money, special funds, and other property of the Society and the limitations placed on its expenditures are not lessened or weakened nor the authority to make such expenditures or to incur indebtedness extended; and the provisions regarding gifts, advertising, the inspection of records, and the requiring of advise of counsel, are not changed.

9.1.2 Effect: Every provision of these Bylaws so amended by the Board shall have the same force and effect as if amended by a meeting of the Society and each such amendment shall be incorporated in these Bylaws as part thereof.

9.1.2 Publication: The proposed amendments shall be published in a publication of the Society and sent to each member not less than sixty days before action by the Board.

9.1.2 Titling and Numbering of Bylaws: From time to time and without further action of the Society, the Secretary may rearrange, retile and renumber the various chapters, articles, sections and paragraphs of the Bylaws as necessary for proper reference.

9.1.3 Legal Review: Before any amendment to any provision of these Bylaws made by the Board shall become effective, the legal counsel of the Society shall approve it as being within the power of the Board to make, in correct legal form and legally proper.
The year 2020 has been a very unusual year to say the least. In March, the COVID-19 pandemic hit us all, and we are still reeling from its effects. We did have some good news for 2020. Earlier this year, Bowling Green State University received their accreditation from the National Architectural Accreditation Board (NAAB). We now have five Schools of Architecture within the state of Ohio. Congratulations to Bowling Green State University! In the middle of the year, AIA Eastern Ohio became AIA Youngstown. Congratulations to AIA Youngstown! This was the first year that we did a Virtual Design Awards and Virtual Annual Meeting. With the unknown for 2021, these are likely to remain in place for next year, and possibly future years.

With the pandemic upon us we had very different issues to start off the year, and yet still work with all of the initiatives that have been discussed in the past strategic planning sessions. In March we addressed the pandemic with the COVID-19 Task Force. The Task Force worked quickly in March to put together a list of architects and consultants who work in the healthcare field. This list was shared with state leaders, local health departments and various other agencies across the state. The Coronavirus pandemic had disrupted standard processes surrounding how we educate students at every level. In June we had the Design for Safe Schools Charrette to get information together and possible solutions to help the state’s school districts for startup in the fall. Policy and protocols for how we interfaced with the current educational environment needed to be reshaped, and our local and statewide leaders needed valuable information to influence pressing decisions. AIA Ohio was interested in rallying architecture students, emerging professionals, and experienced architects to explore alternate solutions for K-12 and higher education facilities which would help administrators prepare for students returning to in-person classes this fall. We had hoped that policymakers would be able to consider these innovative solutions to influence their plans and justify resource allocations to transform our educational environments and improve school safety.

We are coming to the end of the three year Strategic Plan that was established in 2018, and are in the process of working on a new Strategic Plan for the upcoming years. A Strategic Plan Task Force was established with our President-elect, Karen Planet, AIA, that has been meeting almost weekly in an effort to start to get things in place for 2021 and beyond. With all of the unknowns for 2021, we are having to deal with virtual, hybrid and in-person meetings and activities, including a Convention, and how to include sponsorship for these events.

From our Strategic Plan of 2018, our main focus for the year was going to be Membership. Our goal was to increase our current membership of 2,147 by 200 members. With the COVID-19 pandemic, membership was not addressed, as everyone across the United States was hit with this and membership numbers across the board were not increasing. We were still able to keep our two spots on AIA National’s Strategic Council. Representation on the Strategic Council is based on membership. Any region that has at least 4% of total AIA Membership can have two representatives to the Strategic Council.

In conclusion, it has been an honor and privilege to serve AIA Ohio for the past several years and as the 2020 President of AIA Ohio. A special thanks goes out to the current Executive Board: Past President, John Kelleher, AIA; President-elect, Karen Planet, AIA; Secretary, Aaron Hill, AIA; and Treasurer, John Orsini, AIA for their support, and the members of all of the components and committee chairs who sit on the Board of Directors. Thank you also to our Executive Director, Kate Brunswick, Hon. AIA for her untiring support and efforts in keeping the membership updated weekly on activities and programs across the state in the various components, and keeping me in line. I could not have done this without the support of all of you. One last thank you goes out to my husband Ed Glowacki, AIA, who has supported me in all of the endeavors that I have carried out. Thank you one and all!

Mary L. Glowacki, AIA
President, AIA Ohio
Treasurer’s Report – November 13, 2020

In January, 2020, the AIA Ohio Board met in Bowling Green and kicked off what all of us thought was going to be an exciting year. At the time, of course, we had no idea that the world was going to change drastically within months. The very next board meeting was supposed to take place at Miami University in March, but just days prior the school sent students home for the year and the board meeting was converted to a Zoom meeting, which is how we have met ever since. By May we had pivoted our programming to include a charrette for safe school design that explored ways to keep children and teachers healthy in schools. At the July meeting, we made the very difficult decision to cancel the AIA Ohio Convention that was to take place in Dayton. We reworked the 2020 budget for AIA Ohio and began making plans for 2021. And in September, we held the first ever AIA Ohio Virtual Design Awards program showcasing, in a socially distant way of course, excellence in design by Ohio’s architects. And now here we are in November...almost to the end of a year that has been like no other. Throughout its history, AIA Ohio leadership has planned and saved for difficult times. The organization remains strong and well positioned to face the uncertainties of 2021 and beyond.

This chart illustrates at Sept. 30, 2020, AIA Ohio’s funds compared to our annual budgets proposed for 2021 and 2022.

A few notes about this chart:

- The budget for 2021 and 2022 includes both revenues and expenses for yet to be determined programming. The board is considering a programming plan put forth by the Strategic Planning Task Force.
- Convention Reserves were set aside over time and specifically designated by past boards to be used in the event that a convention would not be financially successful.
- Investments have grown over time. AIA Ohio has not added money to this investment account in the last ten years. Ten years ago, AIA Ohio investments totaled $346,000.
AIA Ohio and Collaboration

Over the years, AIA Ohio has worked collaboratively not only with local components to support projects and initiatives but also with Ohio’s schools of architecture and emerging professionals.

The chart below shows funding allocated from AIA Ohio, from 2009-2019, to local Ohio components as a result of convention profit sharing, AIA Ohio Advocacy and Opportunity Grants (discontinued with the new revenue share agreement) and the AIA Ohio Special Initiatives fund.

Additionally, since 2014 AIA Ohio has supported young and emerging professionals through CARES Grants. Over the past seven years, AIA Ohio has paid out $33,400 in grants to qualified individuals for taking and passing a section of the ARE.
The 2021-22 budget proposal has been prepared and discussed by the Budget & Finance Committee, who worked with Kate Brunswick, CAE, Hon. AIA, to present the budget documents to the full Board in September.

**Overview of 2021–22 Budget Recommendations Regarding Income**

**Member Dues:** The 2021 budget reflects no cost of living increase and the 2022 budget reflects a 1.5% COL increase.

**Associate Dues:** The 2021 budget reflects no cost of living increase and the 2022 budget reflects a 1.5% COL increase.

**Directory:** The 2020 directory was produced in print and electronic form and will continue in 2021; income reflects an increase in the cost of the Firm Profile from $50 to $85. This price has not been increased in over 20 years.

**State Convention:** AIA Ohio has a Task Force working to determine what the AIA Ohio Convention will look like in the future.

**Yet-To-Be-Determined Programs:** For 2021, AIA Ohio is planning to offer virtual design keynotes, virtual leadership and advocacy workshops and a virtual Practice Innovation workshop.
Awards: We had 94 entries this year and we reduced the price for just 2020. For 2021, the budget is based on 85 entries at $200 each. For 2022, it’s 90 entries at $225.

AIA Revenue Sharing: Cancellation of the A2O conference will impact the funds that AIA has available to share.

State Disaster Assistance: AIA Ohio will plan to offer Safety Assessment Program training in 2022.

Overview of 2021-2022 Budget Recommendations Regarding Expenses
Administration: There will be no cost of living increase in 2021. The 2022 increase mirrors the dues.

Audit/Accounting: Per the AIA Ohio bylaws, we are required to conduct an annual audit each year.

Foundation Dues Assessment: This is money collected through the dues invoicing process on behalf of the AIA Ohio Foundation.

Legislative: based on anticipated activities.

Directory: based on anticipated 2020 year-end.

Member Communications: includes AIA Ohio newsletter, sending any AIA Ohio Alerts, and web site maintenance.

Annual Convention: The Convention Task Force is working to determine what future AIA Ohio Conventions might look like.

Yet-To-Be-Determined Programs: For 2021, AIA Ohio is planning to offer virtual design keynotes, virtual leadership and advocacy workshops and a virtual Practice Innovation workshop.

Convention Chapter Share: The state convention chapter share is a 50/50 split of the total profit.

Bank Charges: AIA Ohio’s bank account and investment fees

Regional Membership Assessment: AIA Ohio has historically paid the Ohio Valley Region dues, which in 2019 was $6 per member. Due to the fact that AIA is currently working to disband regions, Regional Membership Assessments are not planned for 2021 or 2022.

Schools Competition: Ohio Architectural Schools Competition.

State Disaster Assistance: AIA Ohio will plan to offer Safety Assessment Program training in 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

John Orsini, AIA, Treasurer
AIA Ohio, a Society of the American Institute of Architects
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**EXPENSES**

| 210  | Administration | $237,450.00 | $242,911.00 | $351,940.68 | $242,911.00 | $242,911.00 |
| 220  | Audit/Accounting | $7,890.00 | $8,500.00 | $430.00 | $7,900.00 | $8,500.00 |
| 230  | Insurance | $1,793.00 | $1,000.00 | $1,000.00 | $1,000.00 |
| 240  | Supplies/Storage | $3,691.00 | $1,300.00 | $1,000.00 | $1,000.00 |
| 250  | Postage | $1,350.45 | $1,000.00 | $60.51 | $1,000.00 | $500.00 |
| 260  | Printing & Copies | $1,766.36 | $750.00 | $70.75 | $800.00 | $900.00 |
| 270  | Telephone | $2,906.59 | $2,400.00 | $1,266.34 | $2,400.00 | $2,400.00 |
| 280  | Legislative | $849.74 | $500.00 | $929.88 | $1,000.00 | $1,000.00 |
| 290  | Directory | $4,065.63 | $4,500.00 | $3,885.00 | $4,500.00 | $4,500.00 |
| 2970 | AIA Communication (newsletter) | $1,860.66 | $1,500.00 | $1,371.66 | $1,371.66 | $1,371.66 |
| 300  | AIB Coordinator | $805.00 | $2,800.00 | $2,372.23 | $2,372.23 | $2,372.23 |
| 350  | State Conv. | $618.12 | $310.72 | $310.72 | $310.72 | $310.72 |
| 351  | Chapter Share | $6,256.75 | $6,256.75 | $6,256.75 | $6,256.75 | $6,256.75 |
| 355  | Programs to be Determined | $12,764.01 | $10,850.00 | $4,100.00 | $10,500.00 | $6,500.00 |
| 360  | Board Retreat | $9,000.00 | $9,000.00 | $9,000.00 | $9,000.00 | $9,000.00 |
| 361  | Board/Committee Meetings | $5,993.95 | $2,500.00 | $1,858.31 | $2,500.00 | $2,500.00 |
| 362  | AIA Ohio Day at Statehouse | $2,626.59 | $2,723.34 | $2,723.34 | $2,723.34 | $2,723.34 |
| 363  | AIA National Convention | $6,689.82 | $865.78 | $865.78 | $865.78 | $865.78 |
| 364  | AIA National Grassroots | $3,097.72 | $5,500.00 | $3,680.09 | $3,680.09 | $3,680.09 |
| 365  | CACE Meeting | $3,085.54 | $2,500.00 | $2,500.00 | $2,500.00 | $2,500.00 |
| 366  | State Local Government Network | $13,050.00 | $3,256.50 | $3,256.50 | $3,256.50 | $3,256.50 |
| 367  | Bank Charges/Investment Fees | $1,742.90 | $2,400.00 | $2,400.00 | $2,400.00 | $2,400.00 |
| 368  | Credit Card Processing | $952.40 | $500.00 | $500.00 | $500.00 | $500.00 |
| 369  | BWG Group Rate Coverage | $120.00 | $120.00 | $120.00 | $120.00 | $120.00 |
| 370  | Miscellaneous | $100.00 | $100.00 | $100.00 | $100.00 | $100.00 |
| 371  | Regional Membership Assessment | $1,000.00 | $1,000.00 | $1,000.00 | $1,000.00 | $1,000.00 |
| 372  | Foundation Rocket Contribution | $10,000.00 | $10,000.00 | $10,000.00 | $10,000.00 | $10,000.00 |
| 373  | CARES Grants | $5,800.00 | $3,000.00 | $1,200.00 | $2,000.00 | $5,000.00 | $3,000.00 |
| 374  | Schools Competition | $4,000.00 | $4,000.00 | $4,000.00 | $4,000.00 | $4,000.00 |
| 375  | AIA Ohio Special Initiatives | $6,137.30 | $5,000.00 | $5,000.00 | $5,000.00 | $5,000.00 | $5,000.00 |
| 376  | State Disaster Assistance | $4,349.41 | $200.00 | $1,000.00 | $1,000.00 | $1,000.00 |

**TOTAL EXPENSES** | $370,856.23 | $344,118.24 | $391,533.73 | $348,422.23 | $414,338.00 | $460,268.00 | $507,988.67

**NET INCOME (EXPENSE)** | $25,850.43 | $- | $126,615.44 | $(6,709.26) | $3,00.00 | $296.25 | $3,338.34
2021 Slate of Officers
For election at the 2020 AIA Ohio Annual Meeting
November 13, 2020 | Via Zoom Meetings

President
Karen Planet, AIA
Member of AIA Ohio since 1993
RWA Architects
Cincinnati

Service to AIA National
2019 AIA Maryland Design Awards Jury Member
2017 Advocacy Exhibit, AIA Conference, Orlando, Florida
2016 Scholarship, AIA Speak Up Conference
2015 Member, AIA Digital Transformation Focus Group

Service to AIA Ohio
2020 President-elect
2020 Chair, Strategic Planning Task Force
2019 AIA Ohio Presidential Citation
2018-2019 AIA Ohio Treasurer
2015-2017 Director, Dayton Chapter Representative
2017-2018 Member, AIA Ohio Valley Region Assembly
2016 Recipient, Charles J. Marr Award
2015 Member Revenue Sharing Task Force, Dayton Chapter Representative
2006 Alternate Director, Dayton Chapter Representative
2003 Member, AIA Ohio Convention Planning Committee

Service to Chapter
2017 Member, Nominating Committee
2017 Member, Membership Committee
2017 Member, Advocacy Committee
2015-2016 Co-Chair, Advocacy Committee
2015 Chair, Bylaws & Chapter Policies Task Force
2015 Member, Core Member Services Committee
2008-2010 Chair, Architecture Scholarship Committee
2007 Past President
2007 Juror, AIA Southwest Michigan
2006 President
2006 Chair, Design Awards Committee
2005 President Elect
2005-2007 Member, High School Design Competition Committee
2005 Chair, Nominating Committee
2005 Chair, Focus on Design Committee
2003-2004 Treasurer
2004 Member, Design Awards Committee
1999 Member, Design Awards Committee
President-elect
Aaron Hill, AIA
Member of AIA Ohio since 2007
Bialosky Cleveland
Cleveland

Service to AIA National
2019  Rhode Island Design Awards Jury
2018  Pittsburgh Design Awards Jury Chair
2016  Grassroots
2015  Leadership Institute Committee
2015  Grassroots
2015  Rochester Design Awards Jury
2014  Grassroots

Service to AIA Ohio
2019-2020  AIA Ohio Secretary
2019-2020  AIA Ohio Valley Region Assembly
2018  Board Member, Cleveland Director
2018  Honor Awards Jury
2018  Convention Planning Committee
2017  Board Member, Cleveland Director
2017  Ohio Valley Region Assembly
2017  Finance Committee
2017  Honor Awards Task Force
2016  Board Member, Cleveland Director
2016  Nominating Committee
2016  Finance Committee
2015  Ohio Valley Region Council
2014  Presenter at Convention
2013  Board Alternate, Cleveland Director

Service to Chapter
2019  Design Awards Committee, Co-chair
2018  Board Member, State Rep
2018  Design Awards Committee, Co-Chair
2018  Mentor Program
2017  Board Member, State Rep
2017  Design Awards Committee, Co-Chair
2017  Mentor Program
2016  Immediate Past President
2016  Design Awards Committee, Co-Chair
2016  Mentor Program
2015  President
2015  Design Awards Committee, Co-Chair
2015  Mentor Program
2014  President-Elect
2014  Design Awards Committee, Co-Chair
2013  First Vice-President
2013  Design Awards Committee Co-Chair
2012  Design Awards Committee
Treasurer
John Orsini, AIA
Member of AIA since 1991
BSHM Architects, Inc.
Youngstown

Service to AIA Ohio
2020 AIA Ohio Treasurer
2019 AIA Alternate Director, Eastern Ohio Chapter
2019 AIA Ohio Management Task Force
2019 AIA Ohio Advocacy Task Force
2016-2018 AIA Ohio Director, Eastern Ohio Chapter
2018 AIA Ohio Finance Committee
2016 AIA Ohio Convention Programming Committee
2014 AIA Ohio Convention Co-Chair, Speaker Selection Committee

Service to Chapter
2019 AIA Alternate Director, Eastern Ohio Chapter
2019 AIA Eastern Ohio Advocacy Committee Chair
2016-2018 AIA Ohio Director, Eastern Ohio Chapter
2018 AIA Eastern Ohio Advocacy Committee Chair
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2016 AIA Eastern Ohio Design Awards Chair
2015 AIA Eastern Ohio Past President
2015 AIA Eastern Ohio Advocacy Committee
2015 AIA Eastern Ohio Design Awards Chair
2015 AIA Eastern Ohio Annual Meeting Committee
2014 AIA Eastern Ohio President
2014 AIA Eastern Ohio Gold Medal Award Committee
2013 AIA Eastern Ohio Vice President
2013 AIA Eastern Ohio Advocacy Committee
2013 AIA Eastern Ohio Design Awards Chair
2013 AIA Eastern Ohio Annual Meeting Committee
2012 AIA Eastern Ohio Treasurer
2012 AIA Eastern Ohio Advocacy Committee
2012 AIA Eastern Ohio Design Awards Chair
2012 AIA Eastern Ohio Annual Meeting Committee
2011 AIA Eastern Ohio Treasurer
2010 AIA Eastern Ohio Director
1997-2008 Member of AIA Baltimore and AIA Pittsburgh
1996 AIA Eastern Ohio Vice President
1995 AIA Eastern Ohio Secretary
1994 AIA Eastern Ohio Secretary
1993 AIA Eastern Ohio Intern Director
1992 AIA Eastern Ohio Intern Director
Secretary
John Meegan, AIA
Member of AIA since 1994
Gutknecht Construction
Columbus

Service to AIA National
2017-2018 Grassroots

Service to AIA Ohio
2020 AIA Ohio Director, Columbus Chapter
2018 Recipient, Charles Marr Award
2018-2020 Architects Payment Assurance Task Force Committee Member

Service to Chapter
2020 AIA Columbus Director, Ohio Chapter Representative
2019 Past President
2018 President
2017 President Elect
2016 Secretary
2015 Director
2013-2014 Board Member
2009-2012 KSA Scholarship Golf Committee, Chair
2002-2008 KSA Scholarship Golf Committee
AIA Ohio President–elect Report by Karen Planet, AIA

It would be hard to imagine anyone saying that 2020 has been just another typical year in any respect. The same is true for my role serving as President-elect of AIA Ohio. As the New Year started, I attended AIA Grassroots in New Orleans and was focused on organizing a strategic planning meeting for November 2020 that would have brought together leaders across the state to envision updates to the long-term strategic plan for AIA Ohio. Then the global pandemic happened and everything changed.

As an organization, we quickly pivoted and changed our plan from updating our long-term strategic plan to a focus on short-term strategic and financial planning for 2020 and 2021. Throughout the year, we gathered via zoom to examine our mission, develop our vision, focus on our financial strengths, and reimagine how AIA could better serve our members and the community. The opportunity to do a deep dive into our strengths and weaknesses as an organization and develop creative strategies for the coming year is truly a silver lining to this turbulent year. Although we will likely not be able to meet in person next year, I believe we have put together a series of engaging programs focused on advocacy, design, and innovation that I look forward to seeing unfold in 2021.

As chair of the AIA Ohio Strategic & Financial Planning task group, I want to express my sincere thanks and gratitude to the members who answered the call and volunteered to help design the short-term strategic vision and financial plan for AIA Ohio. The membership has been well served by the visionary leadership of the task group including: Mary Glowacki, AIA, Aaron Hill, AIA, John Kelleher, AIA, Michael Mauch, AIA, John Orsini, AIA, Bruce Sekanick, FAIA, Emily Steiner Little, AIA, and Kate Brunswick, CAE, Hon. AIA.

I would be amiss if my report ended without mentioning two board members who have dedicated countless hours to the organization over the past years. Our current Past President, John Kelleher, AIA will be leaving the board at the end of this year. I’m thankful for John’s dedication and years of service to the organization and his ability to keep our discussions spirited and lively. I would also like to recognize our 2020 President Mary Glowacki, AIA. We were fortunate to have Mary’s steady hand and unflappable grace guiding our organization through this turbulent year. She has served us well as the President of our organization and I look forward to her continued involvement next year.

Although 2021 may not look like a typical year, we will all travel this new adventure together and I am optimistic about what we have planned for the year ahead and look forward to the opportunity to serve AIA Ohio’s members as your 2021 President.

Karen Planet, AIA
2020 AIA Ohio President-elect
AIA Ohio Government Affairs Update
By Luther Liggett

The Ohio General Assembly will begin anew in January, 2021 with continued Republican majorities in both the House and Senate, as a result of the November 3, 2020 General Election.

Remaining Legislative Schedule

Beginning next week, the legislature will meet 5 days in November, and 8 days in December, to consider all remaining legislation. The Ohio General Assembly only passed 54 bills of 1,149 introduced (775 in the House, 374 in the Senate) in the two-year session. On the agenda will be legislation that passed committees and one chamber, awaiting only a floor vote. The General Assembly also may consider the State budget, pandemic emergency legislation, and a repeal (replace?) of House Bill 6, the nuclear plant subsidy for FirstEnergy.

No Capital Appropriation Bill was introduced, leaving no funding for bricks-and-mortar construction from July 2020 through June 2022. The Governor is likely to drain the “Rainy Day Fund” to balance the current operating budget, which is in the hole by $2.4 billion through June, 2021. If the economy has not turned around by that date, next year’s operating budget will require significant reduction in State agency services.

On the last legislative meeting day in December, the General Assembly will adjourn “sine die”, without another scheduled day. At that moment, all pending legislation is extinguished, to be reintroduced in the next session.

If re-elected in January, the House Speaker will remain Robert Cupp of Lima. The new Senate President is Senator Matt Huffman of Lima. Both are attorneys by profession.
**Payment Assurance Legislation (PAL)**

As with other legislation, Senate Bill 136, the Payment Assurance Legislation for Architects, Landscape Architects, Engineers, and Surveyors, ended for lack of a committee vote to send it to the Senate Floor and then the House for consideration.

As we are aware of no opposition or concern, certainly we made progress to request re-introduction in January, 2021.

**Interior Design Registration Legislation**

Not having passed out of any committee, Interior Design legislation is dead for the remainder of this year.

Representative George Lang (R, West Chester) introduced House Bill 402, to create an optional Certificate for Interior Designers. Unlike prior versions, this legislation proposed an exception to the Architect’s Seal Law for blueprints submitted to obtain a Building Permit. The bill defined “interior design” and “construction projects” to include certification of designs involving the commercial building and fire codes, for which interior designers are not trained nor tested.

Unlike prior bills, we successfully received opposition from the Ohio Building Officials Association, the Ohio Fire Chiefs Association, and the Ohio Mayor’s Alliance. We hope that the national association will look to other states in 2021. But we are prepared in Ohio if reintroduced.

**Next Election**

The next Statewide election races start now, for the General Election of November, 2022 when the Offices of Governor on down will be on the ballot. Before that date, the legislature will have to re-draw the current “gerrymandered” legislative districts, as a result of a court finding the current map unconstitutional. The 2020 Census will dictate where changes will be made.
The 2020 AIA Ohio Foundation Annual Report
November 13, 2020, AIA Ohio Virtual Annual Membership Meeting

It is a rare opportunity for individuals to participate in an organization at one point in their lives, and then a few years later, return to once again, participate and advise as a member of the Board. This year, we had that opportunity with John Kelleher, AIA, returning to the AIA Ohio Foundation Board of Trustees as the AIA Ohio Past-president and representative from the AIA Ohio Board of Directors. Understanding his unique perspective, I asked John to provide a few comments on the work of the Foundation. Here is part of what he had to say:

“I would like to commend the Foundation for the progress it has made since I left some years back. The transformation we were discussing back then has certainly begun to take shape. The decision to capitalize on the investments that have been made, and the commendable management thereof, is appearing to bear fruit.”

John Kelleher, AIA, 2020 AIA Ohio Past-president

I have more comments from John below, but I think it is important that even through the disruption of “normal” over the past nine months, this organization continues to advance our mission and serve the profession. The following few paragraphs focus on our efforts and the work of the Board of Trustees.

A Mission of Service

As an organization partnered closely with AIA Ohio, the AIA Ohio Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation established to elevate awareness of architecture and to support architectural education and research. Chartered in 1968 as the Architects Society of Ohio Foundation, the organization has for the last 52 years, worked to advance architectural education and the value of architecture.

An Evolving Future

The AIA Ohio Foundation has established its presence through the AIA Ohio Foundation Scholarships. These annual grants are provided to each of the Ohio accredited architectural programs to help the needs of students. While the Foundation provides the grants, the way each program distributes the scholarships is left to their own discretion and need. While some may use the money to provide one scholarship, others distribute the funds among two or three individuals. With each grant awarded, we believe we make a difference in meeting the needs of those hoping to one day enter the profession. With the inclusion of Bowling Green State University this year as an accredited program, the Foundation has, for the first time, funded
scholarships to five programs. This year’s support totals $15,000. Since 2003, the Foundation has awarded more than $200,000 in student scholarships.

We are pleased to have the opportunity to assist students and are especially proud to have the opportunity to help students who demonstrate need. Scholarships often make the difference in the retention of talented students for many of the Ohio accredited programs. With just a little help, we together, have a significant impact on the future of the profession.

Over the past several years, the AIA Ohio Foundation has offered AIAS grants in support of the student chapters at all five Ohio architectural programs. This benefits a larger group of students by allowing them to support guest speakers and to travel to AIAS events. Unfortunately, with the pandemic, the programs and participation in AIAS have been limited and virtual. The Foundation hopes that as we approach 2021, we can provide the funding we have set aside for the 2020-2021 academic year as we all better understand the limitations under which each institution will operate. We, like everyone else, hope for a better normal.

This past year has seen the introduction of the Foundation Grant program. Established to assist components and organizations in funding events that would not otherwise be made available to the public or architectural community, the Foundation Grants were developed to support new ideas and new ventures in the support of architecture. While somewhat limited, the Foundation is thrilled to have had the opportunity to help fund several events or needs this year. These include:

- Columbus Center for Architecture and Design, Scholarships
- AIA Cleveland WIA+, OHIO: SAY IT LOUD
- John Hay High School, Book Fund Contribution
- AIA Columbus COVID-19 Relief Scholarship Grant

In addition to the above, the AIA Ohio Foundation provided matching funds for donations provided to the AIA Ohio Foundation in support of the AIA Akron Kent State University Laptop Fund.

These efforts are all part of our evolving future. As AIA Ohio works to support architecture and architects, the Foundation looks outward to engaging others in support of education, research, and awareness. We continue to look for ways to work with others to achieve our mission and to expand our influence. We believe our efforts are making AIA and the profession stronger.

The Charles Marr Citation

The Charles Marr Citation is a program of the Foundation that recognizes individuals who support our mission and goals. Through a donation to the Foundation, companies and individuals are recognized for their generosity. These contributions are then utilized to supplement our support of many of the programs noted above.
As part of this program, AIA Ohio reaches out to chapters and individuals statewide in support of our mission. Similar to past years, we are fortunate to have the opportunity to recognize five individuals who have had contributions made on their behalf. The recipients, as well as sponsoring organizations, are listed below:

Recipients:                                Sponsors:

Cynthia Williams, AIA                      AIA Cincinnati
Jodi van der Wiel, AIA                      AIA Cleveland
Mike Vala, AIA                              AIA Columbus
Craig Pickerel, AIA                         AIA Toledo
Stephanie Gula, AIA                         AIA Youngstown

We congratulate these individuals for their service and for the support of their sponsors in helping give back to the profession. The support of our programs means a lot to those who are in need and we appreciate the generosity of each component and each individual who recognizes the value of the Charles Marr Citations.

Foundation Finances

As an organization that functions primarily through the management of our finances, we continuously work to be good stewards of the monies contributed to our programs. As with most non-profits, the AIA Ohio Foundation witnessed the loss of funds during the initial outbreak of the pandemic. We, like everyone else, had no idea of what to expect. Fortunately, as with most investment accounts, the Foundation has seen its finances rebound with return of investments to a near normal balance.

The following represents the Foundation’s financial standing as of August 31, 2020:

ASSETS:
Investment Account: $459,296
Cash Assets: $2,852

TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS: $462,148

The Foundation has maintained its efforts to continue to fund programs during the pandemic as it balances its ability to grow assets. This effort continues in 2020 with the Foundation experiencing a modest increase in assets.

The AIA Ohio Foundation Board of Trustees

I promised earlier to add more of John Kelleher's comments from his look-back to his previous service on the Board. Here are a few of the other things he observed:
The Foundation’s decision to fund AIAS chapters has spread our influence on a broader set of students, which also encourages collective efforts, much like membership is service to the AIA.

The new grant initiative also extends our reach. Camp Architecture and Say It Loud are great examples, as they benefit multiple generations of established and future designers.

Our financial management remains stellar. Our agreement to accept Merrill Lynch’s new management strategy has already provided benefit.

The Board is engaged and committed, works well together, and is generating impressive ideas along with responsible management, making the Foundation both effective and relevant.

I echo each of John’s observations. The operations of the Board of Trustees have, over the past several years, undergone a subtle change. This year, the Board developed a Trustee Manual that provides each member of the Board information on the history, mission, and policies of the Foundation. The Board also took action to develop a new annual budgeting process, while also reformatting the financial reporting process. Addressing concerns around the review of grant submissions, the Board also established a regular meeting calendar. Through these actions, the Board of Trustees can be more responsive to those with whom we work.

The Board consists of members of AIA Ohio who have served in a variety of roles within the organization. Many of these individuals have extensive involvement at all levels of the AIA and continue to dedicate themselves to advancing the profession.

I extend a special “Thank you” to this Board. As the organization faced new challenges with the pandemic, the Board elevated the work of the Foundation to a new level. The exchange of ideas and a willingness to participate in informed debates produced a Board that in many areas, worked harder and accomplished more that what we would have been able to do in the recent past. The success of the Foundation does not rely upon the words of our Board, but rather their action and service. This year’s Board has been exceptional, and I want to thank each of them for their hard work.

Those serving on the Board in 2020 include:

Robert Bostwick, FAIA, Trustee
Rob Habel, AIA, Trustee
Sara Boyer, AIA, Trustee
Jim Dalton, FAIA, Trustee
Eric Pros, AIA, Trustee
John Kelleher, AIA, AIA Ohio Representative
John Weigand, AIA, Ohio Schools Representative
Terry Welker, FAIA, Secretary
John Rogers, FAIA, Treasurer
Robert Maschke, FAIA, Vice President
Bruce Sekanick, FAIA, President

The Board also has two past members of the Board who now serve as Emeritus Trustees. These members, while non-voting, act in an advisory role to help guide the discussions, and decisions, of the Board. The Emeritus Trustees are:

Norbert Peiker, FAIA
Robert Mastriana, AIA

In a similar way, I want to thank Kate Brunswick, CAE, Hon. AIA, for her continued support and work on behalf of the Board. In a role similar to that of AIA Ohio’s Executive Director, Kate’s skills and vision helps us focus our energies on our goals and mission. Her dedication and exceptional management abilities have been a key element of our success. Her professionalism is unmatched, and we cannot thank her enough for everything she does.

AIA Ohio

The Board of the AIA Ohio Foundation would like to thank the members of AIA Ohio for your continued support. Without you, we would not be able to fulfill our mission or meet our goals. It is our privilege to serve you.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bruce Sekanick, FAIA, OAA
AIA Ohio Foundation, President of the Board of Trustees
AIA Strategic Council Annual Report

Date: October 27, 2020

To: Ohio Valley Region – AIA Indiana/AIA Kentucky/AIA Ohio

From: Jeffrey C. Stivers, AIA, 2018-2020 OVR Representative to the AIA Strategic Council
Terry Welker, FAIA, 2019-2021 OVR Representative to the AIA Strategic Council

Subject: AIA Strategic Council Update

Recent activities participated in by representatives to the AIA Strategic Council:

2021 OVR Representation on the Strategic Council

Going into 2021, there will be four representatives on the Strategic Council from the Ohio Valley Region.

- Terry Welker, FAIA (Ohio) – 2019-2021 OVR Regional Representative
- Randall Vaughn, AIA (Kentucky) – 2020-2021 At Large Representative
- Yanitzia Brongers-Marrero, AIA (Ohio) – 2021-2023 OVR Regional Representative
- Lora Teagarten, AIA (Indiana) – 2021-2022 At Large Representative

Regional representation by two representatives was re-acquired going into 2021 on the strength of the OVR constituting 4.07% of the total membership of the Institute. The threshold for maintaining two regional representatives remains 4.0% of the total membership of the Institute. Details below:

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I've highlighted in red the Ohio Valley region. Although the region’s proportion of the overall AIA membership was below 4 percent last August, it has climbed above 4 percent in this count. As a result, the region will retain its two regional representatives on the Council in the coming year.

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Future Representation on the Strategic Council

Over the course of 2019/2020, the Regions Task Force (on which Terry served) was convened and charged with executing Resolution 18-7: Repositioning, Member Value and a Study of AIA Regions. After subsequent phases of information gathering, research and discussion, four scenarios were developed and presented to the Board with regard to the structure of Regions and the make-up of the Strategic Council. The Board has voted to move forward with the “Adaptive Reuse of State Components” scenario in which each state will have the opportunity to have a representative on the Council. Official adoption by the Institute of these recommended changes is slated to occur at the 2021 Annual Meeting.

In the meantime, another task force is moving forward with developing a proposed transition plan. While many details have yet to be figured out, some of the preliminary attributes of this new structure are as follows:

- Each state will have at least one Councilor elected to serve on the Strategic Council for a 3-year term.
- New York and California will each have three Councilors. Texas will have two Councilors.
- All currently elected Councilors will serve out their complete terms.
- The President, Past President and CACE President will likely be ex-officio members of the Council.
- The restructuring will be a multi-year rollout beginning in 2022.
- Formal Regions will be dissolved. Continued joint and cooperative operations between components (such as IN, KY and OH) can continue to function through MOU’s.

Moving forward, the Task Force has been charged with figuring out the details and a plan for phased implementation. Given what we know today, it is possible, that Indiana and/or Kentucky would have the opportunity to elect a representative to the Council for 2022. This is purely conjecture at this point. Whether either of which is an opportunity will depend upon the details of the roll out and whether this is actually approved at the next annual meeting in 2021. Look for more details concerning this change in 2021, particularly with regard to implications for constituent groups who operate within the current regional structure (including YAF, NAC, CoF and SfX).

2020 Strategic Council Activities

Needless to say, 2020 has been a year for the books. The Council, and the Institute at large, have never been more nimble, flexible and responsive to the world we find ourselves in. The work of the Council in particular has continued on. 2020 Activities in which both Terry and I participated in as Council Representatives of the OVR included:

- AIA IN, KY and OH Component Meetings
- AIA OVR Assembly
- 2020 Grassroots – New Orleans
- 2020 Annual Meeting
- 2020 Knowledge Leadership Assembly
- Strategic Council Virtual Assemblies (every other month)
- Secretary’s Advisory Committee (Jeff – monthly)
- Rural Issues Work Group Meetings (monthly)
- Council Class Calls (monthly)
- Council Best Practices Committee (Jeff, as committee chair - monthly)
- Council Steering Committee (Jeff – monthly)
- Regions Task Force (Terry – monthly)
- …and other associated virtual events, meetings and calls...

2020 Strategic Council Work Groups
This year, the Council has assembled Work Groups to explore the following issues and topics:

- Beyond 2030
- Housing
- Technology’s Impact on Practice
- Mental Health and Architecture (Incubator work group)
- Rural Agenda (Incubator work group)

Both Terry and I served on the Rural Agenda Work Group, with Terry taking on the additional responsibility of being Co-Convener of this group in 2020. The purpose of this incubator group was to determine if there is the need for further investigation, study, and recommendations to better inform AIA and practicing architects of significant future issues that will affect the architectural profession. Particularly in areas considered to be “rural”.

For more detailed information on the recent work of the Strategic Council, I refer you to the companion documents accompanying this summary:

- October 23, 2020 Friday Recap Communique (internal to the Council)
- September 23, 2020 Rural Issues Incubator Group Studies, Research and Conclusions (draft)
- 2020 Knowledge Leadership Assembly Recordings

In Closing...

On behalf of Terry and myself, it has been our distinct honor to represent Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio on the Strategic Council over the course of 2020. In all instances we have attempted to uphold the established track record of strong leadership, volunteerism and service exhibited by prior Council Representatives and national officers.

On a slightly more personal note, as I cycle off of the Council at the end of this year, my intention is to remain involved and in service to the Institute, the membership and you in some capacity. If there is ever anything I can do for you, please do not hesitate to reach out to me (jstivers@rosstarrant.com).

Should there be any questions regarding any of the information contained within this brief report, please feel free to reach out to Terry (Terry.Welker@ketteringoh.org) or myself. We would we only too happy to offer additional clarification.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey C. Stivers, AIA, AIA Strategic Council, OVR Representative

cc. Terry Welker, FAIA, AIA Strategic Council, OVR Representative
Regional Emerging Professionals Committee (EPiC):
- Continued progress towards connecting emerging professionals at the regional level based on Young Architect and Emerging Professional groups from other AIA Regions and States
- In-person EP Summit had to be postponed due to COVID-19, but currently working towards a series of virtual events
- Via AIA Cincinnati we were able to have a virtual event about resources and opportunities for Emerging Professionals within AIA

YAF National Update:
- The YAF Community workgroup has published a “How to Start or Grow an Emerging Professional Committee” toolkit, as well as a “How to Facilitate the Emerging Professional Friendly Firm Program” toolkit as resources for AIA components
- The YAF Strategic Vision workgroup has focused on practice innovation and has begun partnering with AIAS beginning with a series of virtual Practice Innovation Labs
- The YAF Communications workgroup has continued to publish our Connection quarterly publication available on Issuu. Our Q3 issue has been broken into two parts and focuses on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

YAF and NAC Representation
- I will be continuing as YARD through 2021
- Jonathan Ruiz, Associate AIA from AIA Kentucky will be replacing Ashley Thornberry as Regional Associates Director for 2021-2022.
- There are YAF and NAC representatives on a task force looking at the future representation for YAF and NAC following the potential elimination of AIA regions

Sincerely,

Seth Duke, AIA
OVR Young Architect Regional Director
SFx Mission & Objectives
Advancing the mutual interests of architects practicing in small firms.
- Advocate for small firms within the AIA and in outside organizations and agencies
- Promote leadership in small firm professional development and practice
- Facilitate and support the local component round tables and small firm networks

Especially at this time, let us know how AIA & AIA SFx can support your smaller architectural firm. We will do our best.

Influence – Promoting the Value of Architects
SFx is advocating for small firm recognition at local and regional design awards.
- Use the AIA Small Project awards categories to advocate for visibility at your local chapters.

Blue links below to advocate the value of Architects within your community and for sustainability:
- Advocate the value of Architects within your community!
- Become part of the solution by engaging in your community!
- Create resiliency in projects and promote thoughtful use of resources!
- Use the AIA Framework for Design Excellence in project goals!

We want to hear from you! If you have small firm advocacy issues, reach out to your SFx regional rep. listed above!

The AIA National Conference on Architecture – Small-Firm Relevance
The SFx Conference Workgroup is focused on creating small-firm webinars in 2020-2021, as well as having a relevant presence at A’21 in Philadelphia. For A’21, SFx is planning an Open Forum, a Happy Hour at a small firm close to the convention (i.e., Digsau), Tours, and other small-firm relevant programming. Plan on joining us in Philadelphia! Submit your own CEU session proposal and become a CEU session peer reviewer. Open call for A’21 sessions expected in October.
SFx representatives can be a speaker at your next state or regional conference; let us know. This speaker can share resources that especially address the needs of 75% of local firms.

Small-Firm Practice Resources
We are finalizing a “Fall Small-Firm Practice Webinar Series.” Stay tuned for more information at the SFx webpage.
SFx proposed additional “small-firm” benefits to the AIA Trust; these are being considered. See the new “Firm-Starting Resources” button on the AIA Trust webpage, combining existing AIA Trust resources with AIA SFx additions.
SFx Lien Rights Awareness Initiative: with the help of state components and their local attorneys, SFx offers customized lien rights awareness presentations for webinar or conference, for the benefit of architects within your state.
The Small Firm Compensation Report is out!
Visit the AIAU website for the SFx-created AIAU Small Firm Series!
Use this time to re-create your business plan using the SFx Business Plan Beta Template for Small Architectural Firms.
The results of the SFx / SPP / CRAN survey can be found here: Business Models for Small Architectural Firms.
Here is a resource of Videos to educate your clients – link via your own website.

Small-Firm Outreach & Communication
Follow us with these links: Follow SFx on Flipboard, for small firm relevant articles!
At A’18 and A’19, SFx conducted a number of interviews of small firm architects from around the country and posted them on Spotify, and YouTube – Click here to hear their stories and sign-up to tell us yours.
Our Instagram @AIA_SFX account highlights the work of small firms; send us your work via this link.
SFx continues to connect with all the AIA Knowledge Communities and to convey their resources to small firms as possible. We have these KC leaders speak at our monthly SFx all-call discussions.

2020 Regional Representation
For 2020 SFx Regional Representatives, see the Small Firm Exchange Roster at the SFx Website. Note that AIA SFx is still looking for regional representatives for Mid-Atlantic and Florida / Caribbean – contact us if interested in joining.