

APA Minnesota Board Meeting

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Meeting Started at 1:01 PM.

Introductions

The last meeting was back in May, it had been a bit since the group had come together.

Chapter President's Report

Raya gave a brief update on the chapter's efforts so far this summer. A couple reports were that the AICP mandatory CM credits will change in 2022. This will occur regardless of your term status within the Institute. At a national level the Council Presidents are considering changing chapter performance measures as well as policy changes for in person events in lieu of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Young Planners Group Committee

Ally gave an update on the efforts of the YPG committee, they are looking to host their normal schedule calendar. An announcement with opportunities will be created live on the APA MN website and then sent on LinkedIn and over the APA MN Newsletter. There will be three events organized over the next year.

Harry spoke about a potential event to host with the PDOs an AICP Test Prep and a more informal Jeopardy event for Young Planner members whom are interested in taking the AICP exam. They would maybe be the day after the test prep and could include coffee.

Diversity and Equity Committee

PeggySue shared that the Diversity and Equity Committee was looking to get feedback on the meeting with the Just Deeds Coalition.

Raya said it would be good to get a statement or official note from APA MN to commit to how it could participate or collaborate with the Coalition on their efforts.

Jason shared there is no financial commitment at this time.

The Mapping Prejudice Project was the research side and the Just Deeds was like a network of those whom are committed to be involving in making changes to racial covenants and associated change efforts.

Trainings and conversations about redlining, the impact of previous planning and racial covenants were discussed as potential specific actions.

Erin wondered if there was an opportunity to get the Just Deeds Coalition involved in the APA MN Fall Conference in the future.

The next step would be for the Diversity and Equity Committee to draft a Commitment Statement and return to the Board to discuss. Input from the board and committees would help to form it and the final version would be approved by the Board at a future meeting (maybe before September, however).

Conference Planning Committee

Michael Palermo spoke with the Board about an update on the conference planning committee. The finalized schedule would be posted next week. There was particular interest in a session focused on decolonizing public engagement. There will also be times reserved for lunch or dinner meals and a potential happy hour conversations. The FAICP candidates and Young Planners were specifically part of the plan for the happy hour conversations.

There was a conversation about the Board's in person policy for events.

Andrea had the registration setup for the conference. The registration will open roughly in a week. The cost for the registration was \$100 for members and free for students.

Awards Committee

The awards committee had sent out the information with the link and packet for the awards nominations. The criteria has been updated slightly.

District Directors

Rita shared a concern with recent draught and fire dangers. She shared Firewise assessments are available from the DNR.

The meeting adjourned at 1:36 PM.