

MEETING

AGENDA

September 24, 2015
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM ET

Small Firm Round Table | All Regional Reps Meeting

Thursday, September 24, 2015

Antitrust Statement: : 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. Accordingly, this meeting will be conducted in full compliance with those laws.

TO ACCESS THE AUDIO CONFERENCE:

Dial In Number: 877-242-8841

Conference ID: 7429

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SFRT Attendees

Brian Frickie, AIA (Chair)

Rob Walker, AIA (Vice Chair)

Leonard Kady, AIA (SPP Rep)

Chris Rose, AIA (CRAN Rep)

Steven Fichtel, AIA

Mel Price, AIA (Emerging Professional)

Jeffrey Ferweda, AIA (Ex Officio)

Jean Dufresne, AIA (Elected Member)

Ric Abramson, AIA

Glynis Berry, AIA

Steve Burns, FAIA

Stan Chesshir, AIA

Gwen W. Dakis, AIA

Steven Fichtel, AIA

Chyanne Husar, AIA

Steve Kredell, AIA

Michael Lejong, AIA

Thomas Lowing, AIA

William Peck, AIA

Mike Potter, AIA

Tripp Riley, AIA

Christopher Toddy, AIA

Jason W. Tapia, AIA

Bruce Turner, AIA

Garett R. Warner, AIA

Jason Winters, AIA

Staff

Terri Stewart

Christian Taylor

Kimberly Yoho

Bold = Attended Call

Meeting Outline

- 1) Antitrust Statement
- 2) Roll Call
- 3) Leadership Team Reports
 - SFx – National Convention Small Firm Experience (Mel)
 - o Phase 2 deadline Monday – submitted 4
 - Workshop: Practice Management partnership (4hrs0) – spoken services and managing profitability for small firms
 - Seminar: Influencing decision makers in locals committees
 - Seminar: COTE Achieving net zero in residential design
 - Seminar: Advocacy
 - o Working on SFx lounge
 - Advocacy, Legislative and Organizational (Rob)

- Preparing issue survey of legislative items pertaining to small firms—will send out for feedback
 - Will need feedback on change to overtime pay
 - Jean and Michael to work with the Advocacy team on this effort
- Local Component Round Tables, support and networking (Steve)
 - Working on a newsletter
 - Jean working the template
- Small Firm Practice (Brian for Leonard)
 - Advanced a 1.5 paper on small firm graphics
- SPP
- Leadership – APP, Leadership Programs (Brian)
 - Almost completed leadership summaries
 - Will be included I CCL's LYLAAL
 - Will be launched at the Leadership Institute
 - October 23rd
 - APP
 - Writing 2.0 outline
 - Will include options to contact all users
- New Business
 - Proposed name change: Small Firm Round Table (SFRT) to Small Firm Exchange (SFx)
 - Will be voted on next month
 - Positive Feedback:
 - Great change, likes name better (Gary)
 - Likes the name change (Mel)
 - Reflects more of what the SFRT purpose is, initiates involvement(Michael)
 - More inclusive (Rob)
 - Roundtable isn't inclusive among local groups (Bill)
 - Exchange is fresher (Stan)
 - Concerns:
 - How to we promote the name change? (Rob)
 - Small Firm Exchange established by Small Firm Roundtable for a time
 - Drop the SFRT once people have had enough time to associate the two
 - Outreach to local components and what do we call those groups? (Chris)
 - Losing traction of SFRT identity—should ask local groups (Stan)
 - Who will SPP groups identity with—SFRT or SFx? (Jean)
 - Autodesk: Perceptual License/Rental Agreement
 - SFRT Awareness:
 - Updated: Mel
 - Familiar: Bruce, Jeff, Chris, Michael, Gary
 - Establishing a taskforce
 - Investigating alternatives, options for software that is no longer affordable or desired in a subscription format
 - Feedback:
 - On perpetual license subscription format for last 10 years –finds it advantageous (Michael)
 - Chyanne interested in getting involved
 - Other software are doing the same thing (Bruce)
 - **Action Item:**
 - Should SFRT establish a taskforce?
 - Are you interested?
 - Do you know someone who should be involved?

- Elections next month
 - o Two Open ExCom Positions
 - Member at Large
 - Vice President
 - o Rob to be President
 - Will appoint a Vice President
 - o Action Items:
 - Email Brian, copy Rob to nominate others or self-nominate