



AIA Convention 2018: Official Delegate Information Booklet for the Annual Meeting of the Institute

June 2018

This document contains important information for all 2018 AIA Convention delegates. Please carefully review the material prior to your departure for New York City, and direct any questions concerning accreditation, voting, or duties of convention delegates to Pam Day, Hon. AIA, Corporate Secretary and Managing Director, Governance Administration, at AIA headquarters, (202) 626 7305 (pday@aia.org).

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1. Delegate Business Schedule

**Wednesday,
June 20, 2018**

9am–12pm
Onsite Delegate Accreditation

Near Room 1A22
Javits Center
W 35th Street & 11th Avenue
New York, NY 10001

(See Accreditation and Voting Procedures, below, regarding advance online accreditation option.)

**Wednesday,
June 20, 2018**

1:30–2:30pm
Candidate Speeches

Special Events Hall 1D
Javits Center
W 35th Street & 11th Avenue
New York, NY 10001

2:45–3:45pm
Regional Caucuses

(See rooms listed below)
Javits Center
W 35th Street & 11th Avenue
New York, NY 10001

Gulf States, Illinois, New England, Pennsylvania, Texas, Western
Mountain, and International Regions
Room 1E07

Central States, Florida/Caribbean, Michigan, New York, Northwest and
Pacific, and Virginias Regions
Room 1E10

California, Middle Atlantic, New Jersey, North Central States, Ohio
Valley, and South Atlantic Regions
Room 1E15

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**Wednesday,
June 20, 2018**

4–5:30pm

AIA Annual Meeting

Voting on Bylaws Amendments and Resolutions, and Consideration of Other Business

Special Events Hall 1D
Javits Center
W 35th Street & 11th Avenue
New York, NY 10001

DELEGATES WHO FAIL TO CLAIM THEIR VOTING KEYPADS AND TO USE THEM TO REGISTER THEIR PRESENCE AT THE START OF THE ANNUAL MEETING WILL NOT BE ABLE TO VOTE AT THE MEETING.

**Thursday,
June 21, 2018**

8:30am–2pm

Voting for Officers and At-large Director

Near Room 1A22
Javits Center
W 35th Street & 11th Avenue
New York, NY 10001

**Friday,
June 22, 2018**

10am–2pm

Voting—Runoff Election for Officers (*if necessary*)

Near Room 1A22
Javits Center
W 35th Street & 11th Avenue
New York, NY 10001

2. Accreditation and Voting Procedures

Duties of the Credentials Committee

The Credentials Committee, in conjunction with the Institute Secretary, is charged with overseeing the accreditation of delegates and balloting for the election of officers. The staff at the accreditation desk will refer disputes or problems to the committee for decision.

Following the close of accreditation, the committee reviews and certifies the credentials report before it is presented to the convention. The credentials report will be presented on Wednesday, June 20, 2018, during the annual meeting, for acceptance prior to voting on business items.

Accreditation

Delegate votes are allocated to each chapter according to a formula in the Bylaws based on the number of its assigned Architect and Associate members in good standing.

In 2018, for the first time, chapters will have an opportunity to accredit their delegates before arrival at the convention. Online accreditation will go live on or about May 1, 2018; information will be shared in “Component Update.”

If the chapter instead prefers to have its delegates accredited onsite, it can still do so. One delegate card will be sent to each chapter prior to the annual meeting (mailed about April 25, 2018), to be photocopied and distributed as the chapter decides. Each chapter may elect to distribute delegate cards among members attending the conference or have the delegate cards all held by one individual, such as the chapter president.

However the chapter does it, every delegate must be accredited to vote at convention by 12pm on Wednesday, June 20, 2018.

To be able to vote, **each delegate must wear his or her conference badge and appear at the accreditation/voting desk during the posted hours for voting (Thursday, June 21, 2018, 8:30am–2pm, and—if there is a runoff—Friday, June 22, 2018, 10am–2pm). Note that each delegate must be accredited according to the process described above in order to be eligible to vote.**

**Accreditation,
continued**

Each chapter's total votes are evenly divided among the accredited delegates (subject to rules concerning Associate members). For example, if a chapter has nine delegate votes which it distributes to three individuals who are Architect members, each individual's vote would count as three votes; if only one delegate is accredited from the chapter, only that person can vote the chapter's nine votes. (Note below, however, the rules on Associate members who serve as delegates.)

Associate members may serve as chapter delegates, but they may not be accredited to cast more than one-third of the votes of an AIA chapter. Associate members may be accredited but may not cast their votes until the chapter's Architect member delegate(s) has been accredited and voted. Associate delegates should verify prior to coming to the conference that their chapter has at least three (3) votes and that at least one (1) Architect member will also attend as a delegate.

**Voting for
Officers**

If an accredited delegate does not vote in the election of officers and the At-large Director, the chapter loses that portion of its voting power.

Voting for officers and the At-large director will occur on **Thursday, June 21, at 8:30am–2pm** in the Javits Center (near Room 1A22).

No voting for officers or At-large Director will be permitted after 2pm on Thursday, June 21, 2018, **except in the event of a runoff election for the First Vice President or the Secretary on Friday, June 22, 2018 (10am–2pm).**

**Voting for Bylaws
Amendments and
Resolutions**

Proposed Bylaws Amendments and Resolutions are debated and put to a vote at the annual meeting to be held **Wednesday, June 20, 2018, at 4–5:30pm**, in Special Events Hall 1D in the Javits Center. Annual meeting voting is usually done by roll call vote (keypad voting), although a voice vote may also be taken. (See Voting at the Annual Meeting, below.)

Proxy Voting

A proxy is a member or state delegate who is representing an absent chapter by voting on its behalf.

(Note: if a chapter president wishes to allocate the chapter's votes to a member of the same chapter, that is not a proxy vote. That member being accredited is simply a member delegate, and no proxy authorization is required.)

If a chapter is unable to send any delegates to the conference, the chapter may select a member or state delegate from another chapter in the same state or region to represent the absent chapter by proxy.

The president or authorized designee from the absent chapter must give written authorization and a signed delegate card to the attending member delegate.

The substitute delegate cannot be accredited to cast a proxy vote for the absent chapter unless the accreditation takes place online, or if the written authorization and delegate card are presented at the credentials desk at the time of accreditation.

In most instances, a member delegate may represent only one chapter in addition to his or her own chapter. The **only exception** to that rule is that: (a) a state delegate may represent by proxy more than one of the chapters in his/her state at the meeting of the Institute, and (b) the president of a state component may designate a member delegate from his/her state to represent by proxy more than one chapter in that state.

The delegate holding a proxy will vote several times, casting separate ballots for the proxy chapter and for his/her own chapter. Each chapter will be allotted its authorized voting strength.

Delegates-at-large may not give or act as proxies. Please do not ask a Delegate-at-large (that is, a past President of the Institute or a current Board member, officer, or Strategic Council member) to serve as a proxy for an absent chapter. A Delegate-at-large is permitted to accredit as a member delegate for his or her own assigned chapter in addition to his or her Delegate-at-large vote, but is not permitted to serve as a proxy.

Any questions regarding the voting process can be directed to Pam Day, Hon. AIA, Corporate Secretary & Managing Director, Governance Administration, at AIA headquarters, telephone (202) 626 7305, or email pday@aia.org.

3. Summary of AIA Rules of Procedure for the Annual Meeting

Note: The Parliamentarian may not be called upon directly by members during debate. Requests for a parliamentary ruling are addressed to the President, who may (or may not) consult with the Parliamentarian.

The Parliamentarian will be available during the annual meeting to consult with and advise members on appropriate parliamentary procedures, on a confidential basis if requested.

The AIA's rules of procedure are based on Robert's Rules of Order, but do not follow them in all respects. Key provisions of the AIA rules are summarized below.

Introduction of Business

<i>Business Item</i>	<i>Resolution</i>	<i>New Business Items</i>
Printed in Delegate Information Booklet	Printed in Delegate Information Booklet	Written copy must be provided to the Secretary
President announces items of business	Resolutions Committee chair announces resolutions number	Sponsor seeks recognition from President
President calls on appropriate officer to present report or to explain proposal	Resolutions Committee chair moves adoption of the resolution (no second required)	Sponsor makes motion to consider a new resolution, reads it, and briefly explains its intent (second required)
	President recognizes sponsor for amendments or modifications	
	Treasurer to give cost and Secretary to give Board's position	No debate initially; delegates vote on whether to consider the resolution; 2/3 vote required in order to consider the resolution
	President recognizes sponsor of resolution to open debate	If motion to consider passes, President recognizes sponsor to open debate

Debate Opened to the Floor

Recognizing Speakers and Limits on Debate

The President recognizes speakers in debate. He/she may recognize up to six (6) speakers in advance.

Debate is limited to two (2) minutes per speaker. The President may limit a speaker from speaking a second time until all others have spoken.

Debate on Bylaws amendments or resolutions shall be limited to ten (10) minutes each. If speakers are waiting to be recognized when the time expires, the President shall take an immediate vote to extend debate for five (5) minutes. A two-thirds vote shall be required to extend debate.

The original sponsor may be the second speaker on any amendment or substitute.

The President may require that amendments or substitutes be submitted in writing before they may be considered.

The President may call for all proposed amendments or substitutes to be submitted at one time, then debated and voted on as alternates or sequentially.

When a substitute is offered, the original motion remains open for debate and amendment so that it can "compete" with the proposed substitute. Substitutes cannot be amended until after a vote to replace the original with the substitute has carried, unless the President decides to allow both the original and the substitute to be perfected before voting.

The President's ruling on whether any motion or speaker is out of order is final unless immediately appealed; majority vote of the delegates is required to overrule.

The President may call the meeting into committee of the whole at any time to facilitate debate, subject to any announced limitations. The President continues to chair, and rulings by the President cannot be appealed in committee of the whole.

Calling the Question

The President may ignore the first call for the question if there is a clear desire by the assembly for further debate. Neither a call for the question, nor any proposed amendments or substitutes during debate, will deprive speakers recognized in advance from speaking for two minutes each on the original motion; however, speakers cannot introduce further amendments.

The President may entertain calls for the question when debate appears to be exhausted or, in the absence of objection, put the issue to a vote.

Voting at the Annual Meeting

Delegate's Role

Delegates should be present to vote on Bylaws Amendments, Resolutions, and other business items at the annual meeting on **Wednesday, June 20, 2018, at 4pm–5:30pm**, in Special Events Hall 1D in the Javits Center.

Delegates should plan to arrive promptly before the start of the annual meeting to claim their voting keypads. Distribution will begin after the conclusion of the regional caucuses, immediately prior to the start of the annual meeting.

DELEGATES WHO FAIL TO CLAIM THEIR VOTING KEYPADS AND TO USE THEM TO REGISTER THEIR PRESENCE AT THE START OF THE ANNUAL MEETING WILL NOT BE ABLE TO VOTE AT THE MEETING.

If a delegate is absent from the annual meeting, the absent delegate's votes are reallocated to those delegates present from the chapter and participating in the annual meeting.

If all of a chapter's delegates are absent from the annual meeting, the chapter's votes are lost, unless a proxy has been previously submitted during accreditation. Specific voting methods for the annual meeting are identified below.

Voice Vote

Delegates speak their vote, yea or nay, at the call of the President, who then announces the outcome.

The President may announce a question as having carried and dispense with "nay" voting if a question has clearly passed.

Roll Call Vote (Call of the Regions)

All voting is conducted by electronic keypad, except for voting on resolutions of appreciation or as otherwise permitted by the Institute's Bylaws.

4. Proposed Bylaws Amendments

Bylaws Amendment 18-A

Subject Sections of the Institute

Background State organizations, chapters, and sections chartered by the Institute are referred to as components. (AIA Bylaws, Section 4.01.) Membership in a section is voluntary and is not assigned by the Institute unless the section follows a specified approval process. Only sections that follow that process and have required membership are obliged – like chapters – to meet the Core Member Services for the AIA. (AIA Bylaws, Section 4.22.) Among other things, that means that such sections must be incorporated, must maintain nonprofit tax status, and must adopt bylaws.

Because sections with voluntary membership are parented by state organizations or chapters that have assumed legal and other responsibility for them, there is no compelling reason for them to satisfy the same requirements as sections with required membership.

The Board sponsors amendments to the Institute Bylaws to clearly release voluntary sections from these obligations.

Required Vote to Amend Bylaws Bylaws amendments require approval by an affirmative two-thirds vote of the delegates at the meeting, determined in the manner prescribed in Section 9.011 of the Bylaws.

**NOTE: PORTIONS OF THE BYLAWS NOT
RELEVANT TO THE CHANGES PROPOSED IN THESE AMENDMENTS
HAVE BEEN OMITTED BELOW.
ASTERISKS (***) HAVE BEEN USED TO IDENTIFY
WHERE TEXT HAS BEEN OMITTED.**

(Note: A complete copy of the current [Bylaws](http://www.aia.org) can be found on www.aia.org, or may be requested by contacting Pam Day, Hon. AIA, at pday@aia.org.)

Motion

The delegates assembled at the 2018 Annual Meeting amend the Institute's Bylaws as follows, and also authorize the Secretary of the Institute to make whatever changes in the numbering of specific sections may be necessary as a result of this amendment:

CHAPTER 4
COMPONENTS AND REGIONS

4.0 ORGANIZATION AND DISSOLUTION OF COMPONENTS

4.03 Purposes of Components. Components shall be nonprofit organizations (except as provided in Section 4.2 with respect to sections with voluntary membership), the objects and purposes of which shall be substantially the same as those of the Institute.

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4.06 Bylaws of Components. Except as provided in Section 4.2 with respect to sections with voluntary membership), ~~Every~~ every component shall adopt bylaws consistent with these Bylaws and of their general form and order, and every such bylaw and every amendment thereto must be submitted to the Secretary for approval before the bylaw or amendment becomes effective. Every component that adopts bylaws shall amend its bylaws to conform to the Bylaws of the Institute as soon as it can properly do so after these Bylaws or any amendments become effective.

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4.2 SECTIONS

4.21 Formation of Sections. A chapter or a state organization may form one or more sections within its territory under guidelines set by the Board.

4.22 Authority and Duties of Sections. Membership in a section is voluntary and shall not be assigned by the Institute or the chapter, except that sections of statewide chapters or of a state organization may request, by two-thirds majority vote of the section board, that all assigned members of the chapter whose residence or principal place of business is within the territory of the section be required to join the section and pay dues. Upon approval of the request by two-thirds majority vote of the board of the parent chapter, the Institute will assign membership in the section. Members assigned to sections are subject to termination of membership in the Institute for default in payment of section dues as provided in these Bylaws. Sections with required membership have the authority and duties of chapters stated in section 4.1 of the Bylaws, including the obligation to meet the Core Member Services for the AIA. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Bylaws, sections without required membership do not have the authority and duties of chapters stated in section 4.1 of the Bylaws, do not have the obligation to meet the Core Member Services for the AIA, are not be required to be incorporated or to maintain tax-exempt status under federal or state law, and are not required to adopt bylaws.

Bylaws Amendment 18-B

Subject Honorary Fellowship

Background Under the Institute Bylaws, an architect of esteemed character and distinguished achievements who is neither a U.S. citizen nor a resident of the United States and who does not primarily practice architecture within the domain of the Institute (that is, within the United States or its territories) may be admitted to Honorary Fellowship. (AIA Bylaws, Section 2.51.) These criteria seem designed to ensure that architects will be eligible for Honorary Fellowship only if they practice primarily outside the United States and have only limited ties to the United States.

This has resulted in several anomalies:

- An architect who is a United States citizen practicing primarily (and perhaps exclusively) overseas is barred from Honorary Fellowship. An example of this may occur when an architect has dual citizenship – having U.S. citizenship, but also maintaining citizenship in another country in which they have lived all their lives is licensed, and practices.
- An architect who is licensed in the United States may be eligible for Honorary Fellowship. This seems counter to the common understanding that a U.S.-licensed architect may become an Architect member, and over time seek to become a Fellow. (Fellowship is not available to an architect licensed only outside the United States.)

To address this situation, the Board sponsors amendments to the Bylaws to: (a) remove the ban on Honorary Fellowship for U.S. citizens; and (b) specify that an architect would not be eligible for Honorary Fellowship if they are entitled to practice architecture in any U.S. jurisdiction.

Required Vote to Amend Bylaws Bylaws amendments require approval by an affirmative two-thirds vote of the delegates at the meeting, determined in the manner prescribed in Section 9.011 of the Bylaws.

(Note: A complete copy of the current [Bylaws](http://www.aia.org) can be found on www.aia.org, or requested by contacting Pam Day, Hon. AIA, at pday@aia.org.)

Motion

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CHAPTER 2 MEMBERSHIP

2.5 HONORARY FELLOWSHIPS

2.51 Qualifications for Honorary Fellowships. An architect of esteemed character and distinguished achievements who is ~~neither a U.S. citizen nor~~ not entitled to practice architecture in any state of the United States, is not a resident of the United States, and ~~who~~ does not primarily practice architecture within the domain of the Institute may be admitted to Honorary Fellowship.

Bylaws Amendment 18-C

Subject Emeritus Membership

Background The Bylaws make Emeritus membership available to any Architect member who has been in good standing in the Institute for fifteen successive years immediately prior to his or her application, and either (i) has attained the age of 70 and is retired from the profession of architecture, or (ii) is so incapacitated as to be unable to work in the profession. (AIA Bylaws, Section 2.311.) Similar requirements apply to Associate members. (AIA Bylaws, Section 2.312.) The Secretary, in exceptional circumstances and for adequate cause, may, on an individual basis, waive all or part of the period of good standing or the age requirement for Emeritus status. (AIA Bylaws, Section 2.313.)

Emeritus members are not required to pay dues, and Architect Members Emeritus need no longer be licensed in order to maintain their membership. (AIA Bylaws, Section 2.32.)

A resolution adopted by the delegates at the 2017 annual meeting of the Institute provided that:

. . . the Board of Directors shall direct the AIA Secretary and the Secretary's Advisory Committee to prepare amendments to Sections 2.311 and 2.312 of the Institute Bylaws, for presentation at the Institute's Annual Business Meeting at the AIA 2018 National Convention, which would allow Architect and Associate members who retire at the age of 70 be allowed to elevate to Emeritus status if they have been AIA members for 15 successive years or 25 non-successive years when all other criteria for eligibility for Emeritus status are also met.

To address this situation, the Board sponsors amendments to the Bylaws to do several things.

First, the proposed amended Bylaws would provide an alternative path to Emeritus status for longstanding Architect and Associate members who, for whatever reason, do not have 15 successive years of service immediately before applying for Emeritus status. Thus, anyone who has been an Architect or Associate member for a total of at least 25 years – regardless of whether those years are successive – would be eligible for Emeritus status as long as three of those years occurred immediately before his or her application. (The age and retirement requirements for eligibility for Emeritus status would not change.)

Second, no individual is currently eligible for Emeritus status unless they are an Architect or Associate member when they apply for that status. On occasion, however, members have been known to let their memberships lapse – typically inadvertently – just before becoming eligible for Emeritus status. The proposed amended Bylaws would expand the Secretary’s authority in such instances, and enable the Secretary to approve a waiver for such an individual so long as they were an Architect or Associate member in good standing within one year before submitting their application for Emeritus status. (As noted above, the age and retirement prerequisites for Emeritus status would not be affected by the proposed Bylaws amendments.)

Required Vote to Amend Bylaws

Bylaws amendments require approval by an affirmative two-thirds vote of the delegates at the meeting, determined in the manner prescribed in Section 9.011 of the Bylaws.

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Motion

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CHAPTER 2
MEMBERSHIP

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2.3 MEMBERS EMERITUS

2.31 Eligibility.

2.311 Architect Members. Any Architect member may apply for Emeritus status ~~wh~~oif:

- (a) he or she (i) has been in good standing in the Institute for fifteen successive years immediately prior to his or her application, or (ii) has had a total of at least twenty-five successive or non-successive years of membership in the Institute, and has been a member in good standing for at least three successive years immediately preceding his or her application for Emeritus membership; and

- (b) he or she either (i) has attained the age of 70 and is retired from the profession of architecture, or (ii) is so incapacitated as to be unable to work in the profession.

2.312 Associate Members. Any Associate member may apply for Emeritus status ~~wh~~if:

- (a) he or she (i) has been in good standing in the Institute for fifteen successive years immediately prior to his or her application, or (ii) has had a total of at least twenty-five successive or non-successive years of membership in the Institute, and has been a member in good standing for at least three successive years immediately preceding his or her application for Emeritus membership; and
- (b) either (i) has attained the age of 70 and is retired from an occupation related to the profession of architecture, or (ii) is so incapacitated as to be unable to work in an occupation related to the profession of architecture.

2.313 Waiver by the Secretary.

- (a) The Secretary, in exceptional circumstances and for adequate cause, may, on an individual basis, waive ~~(a)-(i) all or part of the period of good standing membership~~ required for Emeritus status; and/or ~~(b)-(ii)~~ the age requirement for Emeritus status.
- (b) In addition, the Secretary, in exceptional circumstances and for adequate cause, may, on an individual basis:
 - (i) waive the requirement that an applicant for Architect Emeritus Member status must be an Architect member at the time of his or her application, so long as the individual was an Architect member in good standing within one year before submitting his or her application for Emeritus status; and

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- (ii) waive the requirement that an applicant for Associate Emeritus Member status must be an Associate member at the time of his or her application, so long as the individual was an Associate member in good standing within one year before submitting his or her application for Emeritus status.

5. Report of the 2018 Resolutions Committee

Resolutions Committee

Richard Haas, AIA, 2018 chair
Christopher Gerrity, AIA
Korey D. White, AIA
Bruce Sekanick, FAIA, Institute Secretary (*ex officio*)
Keshika de Saram, Assoc. AIA, AIAS, 2018 President, American Institute of Architecture Students (*ex officio*)

The Resolutions Process

A resolution is a formal request from the membership for the Board of Directors to take a particular action. Anyone can write a resolution, but it must be properly sponsored before it may be submitted to the Resolutions Committee. The Resolutions Committee verifies the sponsorship, reviews the resolution and may edit it for clarity or combine it with another similar resolution, in consultation with the designated sponsor.

At the annual meeting, each resolution is brought up for debate and vote by the chair of the Resolutions Committee. A majority vote of the delegates present at the annual meeting is required to adopt a resolution. New resolutions may be presented from the floor but cannot be debated or put to a vote without two-thirds approval of the delegates to consider the resolution.

If a resolution is adopted by convention delegates, it is considered for ratification and implementation by the Board of Directors at its first post-convention meeting. A resolution does not take effect without ratification by the Board. Resolution sponsors are notified of the Board action and are consulted in the implementation of the resolutions they sponsored. The actions taken on last year's resolutions are reported later in this Information Booklet.

Report of the Chair

The Resolutions Committee herewith reports to the delegates to the 2018 Convention the resolutions received and reviewed by the Committee. In accordance with the Committee's charge, the submitted resolutions were carefully reviewed and edited for clarity and grammar. The sponsors were contacted as necessary to clarify intent and verify that the resolutions accurately expressed the sponsors' proposal. The resolutions presented for action are:

- Resolution 18-1 Recognition of the 50th Anniversary of Dr. Whitney M. Young Jr.'s Speech at the 1968 AIA Convention
- Resolution 18-2 Titling of Allied Members
- Resolution 18-3 Diversity Pipeline and National Representation
- Resolution 18-4 Clarifying and Reconciling AIA Policy Statements on Codes and Sustainability / Resilience
- Resolution 18-5 Blueprint for Better Communities: Implementation of the New Urban Agenda in the Architectural Profession
- Resolution 18-6 Supporting Emerging Professionals
- Resolution 18-7 Repositioning, Member Value and a Study of AIA Regions

As is traditional, the Resolutions Committee is submitting its own resolution expressing appreciation to retiring Board members and representatives from the Strategic Council.

- Resolution 18-8 Appreciation to Retiring Strategic Council Representatives and Board Members

This report also includes Board-submitted resolutions of appreciation as listed below.

- Resolution 18-9 Appreciation to Members, Fifty Years
- Resolution 18-10 Recognition of Newly Licensed Members
- Resolution 18-11 Recognition of Component Executive and National Staff Service Anniversaries
- Resolution 18-12 Appreciation to the Host Chapter
- Resolution 18-13 Appreciation to Conference-related Committees
- Resolution 18-14 Appreciation to Exhibitors
- Resolution 18-15 Appreciation of Carl Elefante, FAIA, and Adriana Elefante

6. 2018 Convention Resolutions

Resolution 18-1

Title	Recognition of the 50th Anniversary of Dr. Whitney M. Young Jr.'s Speech at the 1968 AIA Convention
Sponsor	Boston Society of Architects/AIA and AIA Massachusetts
Intent	To recognize the 50th Anniversary of Dr. Whitney M. Young Jr.'s speech at the 1968 AIA Convention, and acknowledge there is more work to be done to address equity, diversity, and inclusion in the profession of architecture.
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS, the American Institute of Architects recognizes the 50th anniversary of Dr. Whitney M. Young's speech at the 1968 AIA Convention which described prejudice in society and the profession's "thunderous silence and complete irrelevance" towards the cause of civil rights; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, in the United States, while progress has been made in advancing civil rights since 1968, the weight of prejudice, inequity, bias, and lack of access still presents barriers for many in 2018; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, in his speech, Dr. Whitney M. Young Jr. acknowledged that architects are "key people in the planning of our cities" and shaping the built environment, and the role in which design can either reinforce prejudice or create opportunities for inclusion and community; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, it is a policy of the American Institute of Architects that "[A]rchitecture profoundly affects people. The work of architects is essential to human well-being, and architects must embrace their ethical obligation to uphold this public trust";</p> <p>NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the American Institute of Architects distinguishes itself by its social and civic contributions to the cause of civil rights by taking stands on injustice and designing a better built environment that is equitable and inclusive for all; and</p> <p><i>(see next page)</i></p>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, as part of the global community, that the American Institute of Architects champions a culture of equity, diversity, and inclusion within the profession of architecture to create a better environment for all. Achieving this vision has a direct impact on the relevance of our profession and the world's prosperity, health, and future.

Resolution 18-2

Title	Titling of Allied Members
Sponsor	AIA California Council
Intent	The membership and support of Allied members are critical to AIA member services and delivery. This resolution seeks to streamline the title that Allied members may use to publicly demonstrate their engagement and support of the organization.
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS, Allied members are those whom architects rely on to build their designs and deliver their projects. Allied members are our engineers, interior designers, contractors, vendors, legal, accounting and insurance professionals. Without the support of our Allied members architects cannot practice their profession; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, Allied members also play important roles in our components and the delivery of member services. Allied members serve on component boards, committees and task forces, and actively participate in component programs and events. Allied members also provide much-needed non-dues revenue support for component programs that advance the value of AIA membership; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, titling for Allied members is important because it recognizes the importance of Allied membership at all three levels of the AIA, and allows Allied members the opportunity to publicly acknowledge their relationship and contributions to the AIA in their communities; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the current title, <i>Allied Member of the (Name of Chapter) American Institute of Architects</i>, is too long, awkward and unusable. The title does not fit easily on business cards, letterhead, email addresses, websites or any other method to distinguish an individual as a member of the AIA. For these reasons, components are seeking variations of titling that are much easier for Allied members to accommodate; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the current requirements of Allied member titling frequently force Allied members to make changes to marketing materials necessary to conform with AIA Bylaws. Frequently, such changes are not only costly but also result in the loss of a potential member and/or sponsor; and</p> <p>(see next page)</p>

WHEREAS, without diluting the importance of "AIA" after a member's name the "Name of Chapter" can be the entire name or abbreviation. Since "AIA" is included within the chapter name, there is no reason to include all of the American Institute of Architects. (*An example: "AIA California Council Allied Member," or "AIACC Allied Member."*) The abbreviation provides more flexibility for business cards and addresses, while also expressing our appreciation to this sector of membership as an important part of the AIA;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the AIA Board of Directors directs the Institute Secretary to prepare amendments to the Institute Bylaws that amend approved titles for component Allied members to accommodate the concept outlined in the above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors and the Institute Secretary present such amendments for action by delegates at the 2019 AIA Convention in Las Vegas.

Resolution 18-3

Title	Diversity Pipeline and National Representation
Sponsor	AIA Georgia
Intent	To support the Institute's commitment to diversity and inclusion by calling for the implementation of a plan to develop a national leadership pipeline of ethnically diverse women candidates for national governance positions.
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS, in its 2017 Diversity and Inclusion Statement, the AIA has made a commitment to “champion[ing] a culture of equity, diversity, and inclusion,” and “[a]chieving this vision has a direct impact on the relevance of our profession and the world's prosperity, health, and future”; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, to achieve a culture of inclusion and diversity in the profession of architecture, a pipeline of diverse architect licensure candidates must exist; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the number of ethnically diverse women earning architecture licensure has been a historically low percentage of total licensees, as exemplified by African American women, who currently make up approximately 0.4 percent of the total number of architects in the United States; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, a key condition of encouraging ethnically diverse women to become architects is their having knowledge of role models that they can aspire to emulate; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the participation of ethnically diverse women architects in national positions of leadership within the AIA would create visible and accessible aspirational role models for ethnically diverse female college students and emerging professionals; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, in the past twenty-five (25) years representation by ethnically diverse women at the national level has been consistently below that of their impact in the profession, as exemplified by the fact that only two (2) African American women have served on the national AIA Board of Directors during that timeframe, and zero (0) have served on the Strategic Council (since its inception); and</p> <p>WHEREAS, along with AIA state and local components, the AIA Strategic Council forms an important pipeline for leadership development within the Institute and our profession;</p> <p><i>(see next page)</i></p>

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the AIA will create and implement a plan to partner with local and state components to actively identify, prepare, recruit and encourage a range of ethnically diverse women to pursue election/service on the National AIA Board of Directors and AIA Strategic Council.

Resolution 18-4

Title	Clarifying and Reconciling AIA Policy Statements on Codes and Sustainability / Resilience
Sponsor	AIA Minnesota
Intent	To bring clarity to the work of state and local components with regard to how codes can be used as a tool to further energy-efficient, sustainable, and resilient design.
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS, the state and local components of the AIA must adhere to the AIA Public Policies and Position Statements in their advocacy efforts; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the AIA Position Statements include Position Statement II.A.1, which states: “The AIA supports regulation by a single set of comprehensive, coordinated, and contemporary building codes and standards that establish sound threshold values of health, safety, and the protection of the public welfare throughout the United States and abroad”; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the AIA Position Statements also include Position Statement II.C.1, which states: “The AIA advocates for policies, programs, and incentives that promote energy efficiency and renewable energy, materials information transparency, resource conservation, and the protection of water resources. We rely on the development, evaluation and use of codes, standards, and evidence-based rating systems to achieve healthy, resilient buildings and communities for all members of society”; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, state and local governments across the nation are adopting various code-related approaches as contemplated in AIA Position Statement II.C.1, such as stretch codes, alternative codes, and Architecture 2030-focused addendums, and are asking whether the AIA and its state and local components are in support of their efforts; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, AIA Position Statements II.A.1 and II.C.1 could be interpreted to be in conflict, leading to confusion at the state and local component levels and among external stakeholders who have interests in building codes and/or energy-efficient, sustainable, resilient design; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, there is national, state and local benefit to the AIA in clarifying the scope and intent of its One-Code policy so that local and state code overlays, stretch codes, or similar approaches complement existing codes and also support the AIA’s sustainability agenda;</p>

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the AIA will seek to clarify or remove any real or perceived conflicts between Position Statements II.A.1 and II.C.1, on the advice of its relevant committees and in a manner that recognizes the importance of predictability in the design process, and of strong, consistent building codes, while also supporting the utilization of codes as a tool to encourage energy-efficient, sustainable, resilient design.

Resolution 18-5

Title	Blueprint for Better Communities: Implementation of the New Urban Agenda in the Architectural Profession
Sponsor	AIA Strategic Council
Intent	<p>As the 21st century begins to hit its stride, the architecture profession is confronted with an historic relevance revolution at the same time the built environment is challenged to become ever more resilient and sustainable. Architects shape the built environment; architects shape lives. In nearly every field, the impact of proven urban design on the built environment has become a central focus. An avalanche of data demonstrates how profoundly each individual and broad social, economic, and environmental condition is shaped by the built environment.</p> <p>In support of the valued collaboration between the American Institute of Architects and the United Nations at Habitat III, the members of AIA Strategic Council support the AIA, through its components, in the charge of being leaders in the implementation of the New Urban Agenda in every community touched by AIA members.</p>
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS, the rapid increase of urban population in the United States, and globally, proclaims the dawning of the urban era. For the first time in human history, the majority of people live in urban communities. Estimates place urban population at nearly 85% by century's end. Today's cities are frequently viewed through the lenses of intractable social, economic, and environmental challenges. In the 21st century, architects have the opportunity, and responsibility, to transform urban communities, to create architecture's Blueprint for Better Communities; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, in 2016, nearly two hundred nations came together at the United Nations (UN) Habitat III summit to assess global social, economic, and environmental conditions, culminating in the adoption of the New Urban Agenda. As a framework for 21st century communities, the New Urban Agenda acknowledges the importance of the built environment in shaping human potential in the context of rapidly accelerating urbanization, and humanity's destiny. Taken together with the UN Sustainable Development Goals and the carbon-reduction targets of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, the architectural profession has been thrust into new relevance and offered unprecedented opportunities. Over the next generation, the future prosperity of the architectural profession is inextricably interlaced with the New Urban Agenda; and</p> <p><i>(see next page)</i></p>

WHEREAS, the underlying social, economic, and environmental conditions that gave rise to the UN New Urban Agenda, Sustainable Development Goals, and Paris Agreement affect every community across the United States, and globally. Some, like preventing the causes of climate change in the built environment, require all communities, all nations, to work together in concert. Others, like access to affordable housing, share many common characteristics from place to place, but require local solutions responsive to local conditions. Both sets of issues represent opportunities for architects to provide leadership, to collaborate, and to share their knowledge and experience; and

WHEREAS, cities globally must prepare for their natural demographic growth and the impact of that growth on each neighborhood and region; based on census and analytic data, by the year 2050, every neighborhood will need to provide additional housing units for hundreds and in some cases thousands of new inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, for the architectural profession, the UN New Urban Agenda, Sustainable Development Goals, and Paris Agreement define valued characteristics of 21st century cities. Fundamentally aligned with the profession's duty to protect public health, safety, and welfare, they address underlying challenges of social equity, economic opportunity, and environmental responsibility; and

WHEREAS, architects are recognized leaders in their communities as visionaries, designers, city builders, and preservationists who promote good design, adaptive reuse of existing buildings, effective public transit, and the construction of new buildings that are carbon neutral, consume less energy, efficiently manage water, and use materials that are non-toxic to humans and nature, AIA supports a new strategy of localized neighborhood-based infrastructure for new power, water and waste-water reclamation to supplement the existing aging regional infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, one of the objects of the American Institute of Architects is to be of ever-increasing service to society and one of its strategic objectives is to demonstrate the role architects play in advancing solutions that directly impact our most compelling social, economic and environmental challenges; and the goals and principles of the UN New Urban Agenda, Sustainable Development Goals, and Paris Agreement on Climate Change are consistent with core AIA documents including the 2016-2020 AIA Strategic Plan, the AIA Code of Ethics, and the AIA Public Policies and Position Statements;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the AIA commits to support these stated goals and principles of the UN New Urban Agenda, Sustainable Development Goals, and Paris Agreement on Climate Change; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these stated goals and principles become the vehicle and message to deliver, as an international communication, advocacy and policy strategy, that will seek to educate the profession, the public, government agencies and policy-makers at the international, federal, state, and local levels, to better prepare our communities for smart, sustainable, resilient, and mobility centered growth; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, in support and advancement of these stated goals and principles, the AIA commits to:

- encourage and support its component network and members with leadership training, continuing education, practice guidelines and standards, communications, and the collection and assessment of professional and industry data, in their efforts to practice in service to society;
- educate the public and construction industry about the relevance of the architectural profession;
- act and collaborate in partnership with other professional and industry organizations and international, federal, state, and local authorities; and
- prepare and publish in 2021 an assessment of the progress made in the architectural profession in the United States and internationally; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the AIA commits to not only promote but also provide funding for (1) a new brand of resources to educate members to become leaders and facilitators using community engagement strategies; (2) promoting and updating the Habitat III New Urban Agenda Toolkits to be more relevant to American society, its patterns and local needs; and (3) AIA staff to oversee needed public relations efforts and distribute resource materials to components and strategic partners; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the AIA commits to support and fund these efforts over at least the next three years, so that AIA members across America will have tools to facilitate their local communities to become nimble, visionary, regenerative, and resilient for the benefit of future generations and a healthy planet.

Resolution 18-6

Title	Supporting Emerging Professionals
Sponsor	AIA California Council
Intent	Commensurate with the graying of America, the demographics of the profession and the AIA are rapidly changing. Consequently, it is crucial for the AIA to actively engage Emerging Professionals (students, Associates, and architects licensed 10 years or less), to ensure the future continued success of the organization. To this end, this resolution asks the Board of Directors to study and recommend strategic tools and resources for components to employ in recruiting new Emerging Professionals.
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS, a strong and growing contingent of Emerging Professionals members are critical for continued relevance of the AIA in service to society and responding to the challenges of an ever-changing marketplace, and advancements in technology, building design and project delivery; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, AIA membership is extremely beneficial to the individual Emerging Professional, and the profession, in innumerable ways such as lifelong learning, developing leadership and management skills and knowledge, and learning to function in an environment of innovation, discovery, and exploration; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, when first entering the profession, the cost of AIA dues is oftentimes a deterrent to joining in relation to median salaries, student loans, starting a family, and housing affordability, for example; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, not all architectural firms have the capacity, interest, or ability to help cover part or all of an Emerging Professional's dues; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, within the context of member services, it would benefit the AIA to better understand the challenges facing today's Emerging Professionals, the AIA's commitment to future generations, how organizational resources can be used to attract and leverage the interests of Emerging Professionals in service to society and the communities in which we live and work; and</p> <p>WHEREAS the use of pilot programs provides opportunities to test numerous combinations of tactical tools and strategies to build Emerging Professional membership, including reduced dues, reimbursed dues in exchange for leadership service at any level of the AIA, and component grants that initiate new Emerging Professional committees and programs; and</p> <p><i>(see next page)</i></p>

WHEREAS the influence of the academy on how students perceive the AIA and the value of AIA membership, should compel the AIA to find ways to increase the penetration of AIA membership into the faculty of accredited schools of architecture; and

WHEREAS, the American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS), the National Associates Committee (NAC) and the Young Architects Forum (YAF) are exceptional resources to help design tactical programs and initiatives to expand the AIA's membership of students, Associates, and young architects;

WHEREAS, safe, harmonious, and productive workplace environments are critical factors for emerging Professionals, and through inclusion and the Code of Ethics, and prerequisites for receiving AIA Awards and Recognitions, the AIA should can proactively actively discourage workplace harassment, abusive behavior, and/or discrimination; and

WHEREAS, the AIA, as the flagship of the collective profession can exercise the leadership necessary to advance the culture of the architectural profession as a safe, welcoming, respectful, and dignified space for everyone;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the AIA Board of Directors study the categories of Emerging Professionals and the challenges of attracting and building Emerging Professional membership, and develop specific strategies, tactics, and tools to help components attract and retain Emerging Professionals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the study include review of current AIA programs and activities, coordination with AIA members at large, representatives of pertinent collateral organizations, representatives of the AIA's membership categories, national staff, the AIA Strategic Council, and the Council of Architectural Component Executives; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the study be closely coordinated with other AIA activities focused on anti-harassment and abuse in the workplace; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that AIA National report its findings and recommendations at the 2019 Convention in Las Vegas.

Resolution 18-7

Title	Repositioning, Member Value, and a Study of AIA Regions
Sponsor	AIA Portland and AIA Oregon
Intent	To execute a study of AIA regions to document their wide variety of structures, missions, resources and programs; to review the relationship between the new Strategic Council and the regions; and to identify best practice models and opportunities to increase member value, promote collaboration among components, provide consistent member service, align the work of components at all levels and make efficient use of member dues.
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS, in the 2014 Report on Repositioning, the AIA's components envisioned an improved component structure for member value and experience, including core roles and responsibilities for each tier; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, in response to the 2014 Report on Repositioning, the Institute took action to adopt a revised governance model: a smaller board of directors for more agile decision-making and a larger, diverse Strategy Council to help identify and take advantage of opportunities; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, in response to the 2014 Report on Repositioning, widespread efforts to analyze the structure and operation of the AIA at the national, state, and local levels and create a component accreditation process in the interest of improving member value, services and the overall relevance of the AIA have produced meaningful, positive change in the Institute; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, AIA regions were not included in this process of evaluation, and were not party to the development of Member Service Agreements nor subject to accreditation or review; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the AIA's regions vary greatly with regard to size and composition, purpose, member service and engagement, resource requirements, dues and governance;</p> <p>NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the AIA Board of Directors shall convene a task force utilizing direct input from a broad cross section of members to complete a study of AIA regions that clarifies and identifies the following as part of ongoing efforts to strengthen the alignment of all parts of the Institute, with an update to be provided at the 2019 Convention, and outcomes and potential recommendations to be shared with members at the 2020 Convention:</p> <p><i>(see next page)</i></p>

- Context
Regions' history, purpose, missions and overlap with other AIA entities.
- Governance
Region structure, size, components, directors and legal status.
- Repositioning
Regions and Strategic Council as they relate to recommendations on component autonomy vs. unity, component structure, and tier coordination.
- Leadership
Region director cultivation and election, member outreach and communication, diversity, Strategic Council outcomes, benefits and challenges of geographic representation model.
- Member value
Region programs and services, benefits to chapters, member value, relationship to other tiers of the AIA.
- Resources
Region dues and other income, expenses, volunteer and staff time, travel costs.
- Member perception
Value to members and chapters, perceived effectiveness of Regions and Strategic Council, successes and opportunities for improvement.
- Methodology. Direct input from a wide range of members, surveys, focus groups and interviews, data collection.

Resolution 18-8

Title	Appreciation to Retiring Strategic Council Representatives and Board Members
Sponsor	Resolutions Committee
Text of Resolution	<p>BE IT RESOLVED that the AIA Convention 2018 extends its sincere appreciation to the retiring representatives of the AIA Strategic Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ric. Abramson, FAIA• Illya Azaroff, AIA• Janis Brackett, AIA• Richard T. Connell, FAIA• Sandra L. Dickenson, AIA Member Emeritus• Ryan Gann, Assoc. AIA• Timothy C. Hawk, FAIA• Donna J. Kacmar, FAIA• Mark L. Levine, FAIA• Michael D. Lingerfelt, FAIA, LEED AP• Yu-Ngok Lo, AIA• Steven W. Miller, FAIA• Jack R. Morgan, AIA• Jonathan D. Penndorf, FAIA• Amelia Rosen• Cathy S. Rosset• Jaime E. Sobrino, AIA• Laura Weiss, Assoc. AIA <p>AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the AIA Convention 2018 extends its sincere appreciation to the retiring members of the AIA Board of Directors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Keshika M. De Saram, Assoc. AIA• Carl Elefante, FAIA• Donald I. King, FAIA• Heather Baugus Koury, Hon. AIA• Ross J. Miller, Assoc. AIA• Bruce W. Sekanick, FAIA• Jennifer Workman, AIA

Resolution 18-9

Title	Appreciation to Members, Fifty Years
Sponsor	AIA Board of Directors
Intent	To acknowledge the dedication, benevolence, and volunteer spirit of those members of the American Institute of Architects who have maintained membership for 50 years.
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS, for more than 160 years, the American Institute of Architects has been the premier professional organization representing the collective action and influence of the architectural profession in service to society; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the strength of the American Institute of Architects is dependent upon the collective energy and financial contributions of its members, and their volunteer spirit that fuels AIA policies, programs, activities, and service to society; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, there are members of the American Institute of Architects who have been members for 50 years, and who have supported the AIA through membership and volunteer service; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, such dedication, benevolence, and model behavior deserve the recognition and respect of the American Institute of Architects, the leadership, and the AIA membership; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the AIA annual conference provides an excellent opportunity to recognize and honor those AIA members who have supported the organization for 50 years.</p> <p>NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the American Institute of Architects congratulates those members who have been members for 50 years.</p>

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Glenn E. Rhodes, AIA
J. Cooper Riley, AIA
W. J. Roberts, AIA
Ralph Rodriguez, AIA
Peter L. Rumpel, FAIA
Gene R. Rutherford, AIA
James P. Ryan, AIA
Arthur G. Salzman, AIA
Alan T. Sanborn, AIA
Valentine A. Satko, AIA
Louis R. Saur, FAIA
Robert John Savage, AIA
Thomas H. Schmidt, AIA
Robert K. Schultz, AIA
John E. Schutt, AIA
Robert W. Secor, AIA
E. M. Serra, AIA

Robert F. Seyfang, AIA
Allan M. Shapiro, AIA
S.J. Sheppard, AIA
Jack T. Sidener, FAIA
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R. W. Sime, AIA
Gerald A. Simons, AIA
Carroll M. Sinclair, AIA
Glenn N. Sink, AIA
Irving W. Sizeler, AIA
Bill D. Smith, FAIA
Craig D. Smith, AIA
Darrell L. Smith, FAIA
Harry D. Som, AIA
Irwin Joseph Sorkin, AIA
R. Sounik, AIA
Nelson Spoto, AIA
Donald E. Stevens, AIA
Jerry W. Stewart, AIA
William W. Stewart, FAIA
Gordon Stice, AIA
Herbert M. Stone, AIA
Joseph M. Stout, AIA
Thomas H. Stovall, AIA
Dan F. Stowers, AIA
Robert E. Strottman, AIA
Joseph W. Sullivan, AIA
Robert Sussna, AIA
Russell P. Sweeney Jr., AIA
Hayahiko Takase, AIA
R. H. Tan, FAIA
James E. Taplin, AIA
Robert Tennenbaum, FAIA
Gerald L. Thayer, AIA
David C. Thimgan, AIA
James B. Thomas, FAIA
Leslie H. Thomas, AIA
David F. Thorman, AIA
Hans Herman Thun, AIA
John P.A. Todd, AIA
Joseph L. Tonetti, AIA
Robert B. Tower II, AIA
Robert L. Trotter, AIA
Stephen B. Tryc, AIA
W. E. Tschumy, AIA
Frank J. Tutolo, AIA
Paul M. Twitty, AIA
Philip J. Ulzheimer, AIA
Fred N. Underwood, AIA
Dean L. Upshaw, AIA
Elmo M. Valdes, AIA
William S. Valus, AIA
Logan E. Van Sittert, AIA
Albert J. Vanasco, AIA
J.H. Vanderweide, AIA
Francis G. Vitetta, AIA

Roy Vollmer, AIA
Brewster Ward, AIA
James R. Washington, AIA
Maurice W. Wasserman, AIA
Bill J. Waters, AIA
Edward H. Watkins, AIA
Luther H. Weaver, AIA
Herman C. Weber, AIA
John B. Weber, AIA
Harold L. Weithman, AIA

James E. White, AIA
John P. White, AIA
Gordon L. Wildermuth, FAIA
Paul Willen, FAIA
Donald L. Williams, FAIA
James H. Williams, AIA
Edward John Wimmer, AIA
Chenault Woodford, AIA
Joseph L. Woollett, AIA
James R. Wooten, FAIA

David H. Wright, FAIA
R S. Wuest, AIA
Robert J. Wunsch, AIA
Don R. Yancey, AIA
Conrad G. Yates, AIA
Larry E. Yeakel, AIA
James C.M. Young, AIA
George P. Zajacek, AIA
Victor M. Zampa, AIA
Rudolph Zemanovic, AIA

Resolution 18-10

Title	Recognition of Newly Licensed Members
Sponsor	AIA Board of Directors
Intent	To recognize those AIA members who became licensed in 2017.
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS, the American Institute of Architects recognizes the importance of supporting emerging professionals on the path to licensure; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, those Associate members of the Institute who received their architectural licenses in 2017 have been chosen for recognition this year at the 2018 Conference on Architecture in New York, New York.</p> <p>NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the American Institute of Architects congratulates those Associate members who received their architectural licenses in 2017 for their accomplishments and welcomes them as the next generation of architects; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the American Institute of Architects celebrates the continued leadership of the Young Architects Forum and encourages its sustained contribution to shaping emerging professionals.</p>

Resolution 18-11

Title	Recognition of Component Executive and National Staff Anniversaries
Sponsor	AIA Board of Directors
Intent	To acknowledge the exemplary service to local, state, and international AIA components, and to the Institute, by component executives and national staff who are celebrating significant employment anniversaries in 2018; also, to recognize component executives and national staff who will retire in 2018.
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS, the American Institute of Architects is comprised of component organizations across the country and around the world to serve the needs of AIA members at the international, national, state, and local levels; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the Council of Architectural Component Executives (CACE) is an organization, administered under the auspices of the American Institute of Architects, composed of the executive and professional staff of AIA local, state, and international components, whose members conduct administrative, communications, and programmatic activities for their respective components; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the Institute, based at AIA headquarters in Washington, D.C., includes professional staff who work with their component counterparts and colleagues to meet the needs of members nationwide; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the AIA should recognize CACE and national headquarters staff members who have enjoyed long and distinguished careers in service to the AIA and the architecture profession.</p> <p>NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the American Institute of Architects recognizes the service achievements of the following members of the Council of Architectural Component Executives and of Institute staff, who, in 2018, will celebrate significant employment anniversaries:</p> <p><i>(see next page)</i></p>

Five Years

CACE Members:

Renee Catacalos
Ashley Cates
Martha K. John, AIA
Kay Jones
Cathy S. Rosset
Jeannette Schram
Tom Spray
Stephen M. Swarney

National Staff:

Emily Dorey
Ann Dorough
Lori Feinman
Anne Tyler Feldmann
Ryan Graves
Mike Koger, Esq.
Damon Leverett, AIA
Melissa Morancy, Assoc. AIA
Isabella Rosse
Derek Washam

Ten Years

CACE Members:

Deborah Dik
Kathleen Kurtz Gordon, Assoc. AIA
F. A. Hagstrom, Hon. AIACC
Angie M. Monteleone
Marlene S. Mort, Assoc. AIA
Nancy Payne
Kate Shelton

National Staff:

Young Chang
Bryan Lipps
Theresa Palma
Jonathan Pama
Jeffrey Raymond
Cedric Rush

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15 Years

CACE Members:

Georgi Ann Bailey, CAE, Hon. AIANY

Jessica A. Reinert, Hon. AIA Iowa, CAE, IOM

National Staff:

Franchelle Beach

Bruce Bland

Nancy Hadley, Assoc. AIA

Scott Ross

Jeremiah Williams

20 Years

CACE Members:

Mary Fitch, Hon. AIA, AICP

Joseph A. Simonetta, Hon. AIA

Bonnie Staiger, Hon. AIA

National Staff:

Lastenia Boyle

Will Harris

25 Years

CACE Members:

Carol Pedigo, Hon. AIA

National Staff:

Phil Cook

30 Years

CACE Members:

Janet D. Pike, Hon. AIA

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the American Institute of Architects recognizes the special allies it has in the following members of the Council of Architectural Component Executives, who will retire from AIA service in 2018:

Paul W. Welch Jr., Hon. AIA, AIA California Council

Diane Harp Jones, AIA Connecticut

Connie M. Searles, AIA Idaho

Jean F. Gibson, AIA New Mexico

Resolution 18-12

Title	Appreciation to the Host Chapter
Sponsor	AIA Board of Directors
Text of Resolution	BE IT RESOLVED that the delegates at the 2018 Convention extend their appreciation to the members of AIA New York Chapter for their efforts over the past year to make this conference a resounding success.

AIA New York Chapter Steering Committee

Julie Engh, Assoc. AIA

Gerard FX Geier, II, FAIA, FIIDA, LEED AP

Cathy Lang Ho

Jesse Lazar

Joseph Lengeling, AIA

Suzanne Mecs, Hon. AIA NYS

George H. Miller, FAIA

Sherida E. Paulsen, FAIA

Ben Prosky, Assoc. AIA

Claire Weisz, FAIA

Resolution 18-13

Title	Appreciation to Conference-related Committees
Sponsor	AIA Board of Directors
Text of Resolution	BE IT RESOLVED that the delegates at the AIA Conference on Architecture 2018 extend their appreciation to the members and other individuals whose work has contributed so greatly to the conference:

Credentials Committee

(to be appointed by the Board of Directors in April 2018)

Resolutions Committee

Richard Haas, AIA, chair

Christopher Gerrity, AIA

Korey White, AIA

Bruce Sekanick, FAIA, Institute Secretary (*ex officio*)

Keshika de Saram, Assoc. AIA, AIAS, 2018 President, American Institute of Architecture Students (*ex officio*)

Resolution 18-14

Title

Appreciation to Exhibitors

Sponsor

AIA Board of Directors

**Text of
Resolution**

BE IT RESOLVED that the American Institute of Architects expresses its appreciation to the many businesses and firms that are supporting this conference through their exhibits. The AIA looks forward to their continued participation in future AIA conferences.

Resolution 18-15

Title	Appreciation of Carl Elefante, FAIA, and Adriana Elefante
Sponsor	AIA Board of Directors
Text of Resolution	<p>BE IT RESOLVED, that the delegates to the AIA Conference on Architecture 2018 express their deep appreciation to President Carl Elefante, FAIA. An acknowledged leader by his AIA colleagues as well as his peers within the industry, and the public, his is a voice that speaks with clarity and authority in making a persuasive case for the relationship between the architecture profession and The New Urban Agenda (NUA), guiding the efforts around urbanization of a wide range of actors — nation states, city and regional leaders, international development funders, United Nations (UN) programs and civil society — for the next 20 years. This agenda will also lay the groundwork for policies and approaches that will extend, and impact, society far into the future; and, has led to the launch of the AIA’s Blueprint of Better Communities initiative in 2018. For the last two decades, Carl has been a part of the leadership of Quinn Evans Architects focused on creating a new practice model, sustainable stewardship, intersecting sustainable design and historic preservation. His stewardship of the profession also has deep roots in the various leadership roles he has held on the President’s Council on Sustainable Development, U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) Capital Region Chapter, Association for Preservation Technology International, AIA Potomac Valley, AIA Maryland, as well as AIA National. His wife, Adriana Barbieri, an acclaimed graphic artist in her own right whose work has been recognized by such organizations as American Institute of Graphic Arts, the Art Directors Club of Metropolitan Washington, and American Corporate Identity, continues to be an inspiring and influential force in their relationship. Together, this couple has witnessed first-hand the collective power design can have on communications and community simultaneously.</p>

7. Actions Taken on Resolutions Adopted at the AIA Convention 2017

Resolution 17-1

Title	Where Architects Stand: A Statement of Our Values
Sponsor	AIA Board of Directors
Intent	To confirm the enduring values of the American Institute of Architects and its members.
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS, the American Institute of Architects works to advance our nation's quality of life and protect the public's health, safety and welfare, as it has done for 160 years; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, today our nation faces unprecedented challenges; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, now more than ever, the collective voice of architects is essential for designing a better future for our country and planet; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, even in times of change, the AIA's values remain constant.</p> <p>NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we stand for equity and human rights. Access to good design is a fundamental right, and architects are the agents of change to make this right a reality. We stand for human and civil rights, and the unbiased treatment of all persons in employment, civic, and business transactions regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical abilities, or religious practices. Our commitment to tolerance is evidenced not just by the policies we adopt, but in the words we speak, the actions we take, and the buildings we design. This is why we advocate for protecting and expanding laws that reflect these values, such as fair housing policies, civil rights protections, and accessibility to the built environment for all; and</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we stand for architecture that strengthens our communities. Infrastructure is more than roads and bridges. It is the public buildings that are the bedrock of our communities—like schools, hospitals, libraries, police and fire stations, parks and government buildings. For too long, policymakers allowed these spaces to deteriorate, reducing safety and diminishing the quality of life for millions across the nation. Architects are uniquely positioned to guide policymakers to make informed decisions about reinvesting in our communities' essential buildings and spaces. That is why we advocate for policies that invest in well-designed civic infrastructure; and</p>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we stand for a sustainable future. At a time when the world is feeling the damaging effects of excessive carbon in our atmosphere, the AIA will continue to advocate for policies that protect the environment by encouraging the design, preservation and construction of high-performing buildings. Reducing the carbon footprint of buildings is not just good for the environment; it's good for business. According to a 2015 study, from 2011 to 2014, the green construction market generated \$167.4 billion in Gross Domestic Product, supported over 2.1 million jobs and provided \$147.7 billion in labor earnings. That is why we advocate for policies that lead to energy efficient, carbon neutral buildings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we stand for protecting communities from the impact of climate change. Global warming and man-made hazards pose an increasing threat to the safety of the public and the vitality of our nation. Rising sea levels and devastating natural disasters result in unacceptable losses of life and property. Resilient and adaptable buildings are a community's first line of defense against disasters and changing conditions of life and property. That is why we advocate for robust building codes and policies that make our communities more resilient; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we stand for economic opportunity. Architects, the backbone of the nation's design and construction industry, are entrepreneurs and small businesses. Working in offices, storefronts, and home offices in every community, design firms do more than simply create great spaces: they create well-paying jobs and opportunity. But with narrow profit margins and increasing costs of running a firm, many struggle just to meet their business plans. We stand for federal policies that help firms thrive, not hold them back. That means a tax code that treats architects fairly, small business programs that provide loans and financing support and programs that give small firms the chance to compete. That is why the AIA advocates for policies that ensure small firms remain strong contributors to the nation's economy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we stand for investing in the future. A generation of young people is being held back by a lack of access to education and the crushing burden of student debt. Nowhere is this truer than in architecture, where recent graduates are often forced to leave the profession to pay down student loans. Without a pool of qualified architects to design buildings, projects will not move forward, stifling economic development. That is why the AIA advocates for policies that provide better access and financing for young people to enter and remain in the profession of architecture; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we speak up, and policymakers listen. Together, AIA members carry a powerful voice for the values they uphold in their practices each and every day. As natural facilitators and problem-solvers, architects stand ready to develop new policies that create a better, stronger, and more equitable and sustainable society. Through a culture of

values-based advocacy, AIA members are committed to engaging in the policy-making process and to focus the power of design on solving the challenges facing our great nation.

Subsequent Action

The Board of Directors ratified this resolution in May 2017.

In 2017, the Institute’s Board of Directors authorized our “Where We Stand” statement campaign, underscoring the Institute’s probity, policy positions and values. We vetted these statements extensively with our Board and member groups and displayed them prominently on aia.org. They promoted the Institute as a bold champion for the profession – part of a multi-year effort to reposition its influence on issues of relevance to our country and the world.

Our first statement—“Where Architects Stand: A Statement of Our Values”—in January 2017 came as we announced our legislative agenda, which we establish with each new Congress. We released “Where We Stand: Immigration and Visa Restrictions,” on February 20, 2017, as Congress and the Administration debated banning immigration from certain Muslim countries. We released “Where We Stand: Climate Change,” on April 17, 2017, as Earth Day approached and the Administration planned to withdraw from the Paris Climate Accord. We issued “Where We Stand: Buildings Are Infrastructure,” on September 13, 2017, emphasizing the need for resilient building codes in the wake of four devastating hurricanes.

As historic tax reform legislation loomed on Capitol Hill, we engaged members to help fix two key elements for architects. First, we convinced lawmakers to include architects as pass-through businesses entitled to a new 20 percent tax deduction. Then we lobbied them to save the Historic Tax Credit from elimination. We garnered wide coverage of AIA positions in major news media.

These statements were excellent vehicles for refining our positions on issues that affect the built environment and rejuvenating efforts on Capitol Hill and in statehouses across the country. They will continue. The first Where We Stand statement of 2018 covered our position on professional licensure just as a number of states embark on attempts to de-licensing professions, including architecture.

The fluidity of debate in Washington requires us to closely monitor and act on any discussion that affects the built environment, the design and construction industry and the profession. The underlying principles guiding us are our values, which remain constant, to effectively serve you, our members.

Resolution 17-2

Title	Emeritus Membership – Proposed Amendment to the Institute Bylaws
Sponsor	AIA California Council
Intent	<p>To amend pertinent sections of the Institute Bylaws concerning specific eligibility criteria for AIA Emeritus Membership; specifically, current language in the Bylaws provides that AIA members who have maintained membership for a minimum of 15 successive years, are fully retired, and 70 years of age, are eligible to upgrade to Emeritus status in order to maintain membership rights and privileges.</p> <p>This proposed change to the Bylaws would retain the age of eligibility at 70 years of age, fully retired, and 15 years of successive AIA membership, but would allow eligibility if the applicant has been an AIA member for at least 25 years.</p>
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS, Section 2.3 of the Institute Bylaws states that any Architect member may apply for Emeritus status who has been in good standing in the Institute for 15 successive years immediately prior to his or her application, and either (i) has attained the age of 70 and is retired from the profession of architecture, or (ii) is so incapacitated as to be unable to work in the profession; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, Section 2.312 of the Institute Bylaws states that any Associate Member may apply for Emeritus status who has been in good standing in the Institute for 15 successive years immediately prior to his or her application, and either (i) has attained the age of 70 and is retired from an occupation related to the profession of architecture, or (ii) is so incapacitated as to be unable to work in an occupation related to the profession of architecture; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, there are a considerable number of Architect members who may, for reason of inadequate resources, allow their membership to lapse upon retirement waiting to reach the age of 70, only to find themselves ineligible because they do not have the required successive 15 years of membership, yet they have been AIA members most of their professional careers; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, because there are a number of retired members choosing to terminate their membership in lieu of paying the full dues rate, AIA fails to retain and engage the talents, contributions, and advocacy of members who have long supported the AIA at all three levels of the organization, thereby impacting the AIA's desire to maintain and expand the strength, visibility, and influence of the AIA; and</p>

WHEREAS, never before has the need been greater for mentorship and professional guidance to be actively encouraged between AIA's more experienced members and emerging professionals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors shall direct the AIA Secretary and the Secretary's Advisory Committee to prepare amendments to Sections 2.311 and 2.312 of the Institute Bylaws, for presentation at the Institute's Annual Business Meeting at the AIA 2018 National Convention, which would allow Architect and Associate members who retire at the age of 70 be allowed to elevate to Emeritus status if they have been AIA members for 15 successive years or 25 non-successive years when all other criteria for eligibility for Emeritus status are also met.

**Subsequent
Action**

The Board of Directors ratified this resolution in May 2017.

See Bylaws Amendment 18-C for proposed amendments to the Institute Bylaws, sponsored by the Board in response to this resolution.

Resolution 17-3

Title	Housing Humanity – Elevating the Human Experience
Sponsor	AIA California Council
Intent	To elevate the discussion and the duty of the AIA to prioritize and develop a member engagement strategy to address the challenge of housing affordability and homelessness and their impact on society.
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS. AIA California Council, AIA Chicago, and AIA Illinois, authors of this resolution and full partners in its envisioning and creation, ask for the full support of the convention delegates in recognizing and prioritizing this issue of National importance; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, housing is a fundamental need and expectation of the human experience; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, addressing the nation’s housing crisis and its impacts on social equity is one of the most difficult challenges facing America’s policymakers and shapers of the built environment; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, there is a growing body of evidence linking poor health to a lack of adequate housing as evidenced by research conducted or published by the American Public Health Association, Annual Review of Public Health, Corporation for Supportive Housing, National Center for Healthy Housing, World Health Organization and Yale Global Health Leadership Institute among others; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the scope of the affordable housing problem is massive, impacting the homeless, low income families and individuals, student debt holders, first-time buyers, and long-term tenants of rental properties across the nation; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the lack of affordable and safe housing results in many workers not having access to job markets within their own communities, lower income households are being forced to locate farther from places of employment and thereby encouraging blight, urban sprawl, traffic congestion, and the loss of greenfield and vital farm lands; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, a host of organizations are urging comprehensive action to treat housing as health care, including the American Hospital Association, Association of American Medical Colleges, Catholic Health Association of the United States, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, National Health Care for the Homeless Coalition, and the World Economic Forum, among others; and</p>

WHEREAS, the combined impacts of underfunded urban planning, housing policies that encourage low density development, community resistance to new higher density housing, and cumbersome, lengthy, and expensive entitlement and plan review processes, all contribute to the problem of housing availability and affordability that contribute greatly to the increasing challenges of homelessness.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The American Institute of Architects reasserts its belief that “access to good design is a fundamental right” and that, as change agents, members, firms, and components require the vision, tools, and guidance on potential methodologies to mitigate the problem of the nation’s homelessness and housing affordability crisis; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as architects are duty-bound to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public in the built environment, and this organization is the voice for the profession acting collectively to advance shared goals and implement such a nationwide engagement strategy that shall include a sustained public outreach and aggressive communications plan that stimulates the engagement and support of concerned public agencies, construction industry stakeholders, and like-minded allies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a report and plan of action (comparable to the example of the AIA-led Resilience Building Coalition which produced a joint industry statement and commitment), will be presented no later than at the 2019 AIA Conference on Architecture to the delegates assembled thereat to include measurable goals, recommendations, ongoing progress reports and member engagement opportunities that accomplish together what cannot be achieved alone.

**Subsequent
Action**

The AIA Board of Directors ratified this resolution in May 2017.

The AIA is actively engaged in activities surrounding housing opportunities including a partnership with Enterprise Community Partners and its Action Network, and the national Low-Income Housing Coalition. The 2018 AIA Conference on Architecture is offering over 30 courses on housing options and community needs.

Additionally, the AIA ’s Knowledge Communities are discussing avenues for architects to pursue to be helpful at the local, state and national levels with regard to housing design and creative options for housing, including issues such as:

- Homelessness
- Low-Income Housing
- Affordable Housing
- Aging in Place
- Veterans’ Housing
- Diversity in Housing
- Rural Housing
- ADA Compliant/Special Needs Housing

At the 2019 AIA Conference on Architecture, a comprehensive overview of ongoing activities and a strategic plan for moving forward will be provided.

Resolution 17-4

Title	Specialty Credentialing
Sponsor	AIA California Council
Intent	Establish an inventory of principles and guidelines to shape development and implementation of Specialty Credentialing programs and activities.
Text of Resolution	<p>WHEREAS, The American Institute of Architects, as the principal membership organization of licensed and emerging architects in America, is exploring the benefits and the challenges of Specialty Credentialing; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, as a result of several studies in 2016, AIA members appear to generally support the idea of the AIA being engaged in Specialty Credentialing, the American Institute of Architects' Board of Directors has authorized launching of Specialty Credentialing programs by 2018; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, Specialty Credentialing within the design and construction industry is widespread and many organizations are currently offering a variety of specialties to be recognized; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, emerging generations appear to value and appreciate the need for Specialty Credentialing much more than previous generations; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, there exists a multitude of possibilities for Specialty Credentialing related to the work of architects, including but not limited to building types, disciplines, and skill sets. Accordingly, AIA Specialty Credentialing needs to proceed very carefully so as not to challenge the traditional roles of the architect as a generalist and team leader; constrain the scope or validity of an architectural license, or encumber the value and benefits of AIA membership; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, there is strong probability that failure to proceed with the AIA's involvement in Specialty Credentialing may create a vacuum that other organizations may occupy, thereby enhancing public and client confusion regarding architectural services and the scope of licensed practice; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the AIA's established committees, continuing education and Knowledge Community infrastructure provide existing platforms that can be refocused on Specialty Credentialing and elevate the value of continuing education, while also expanding the definition of architecture and of architectural practice; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, since the impact of AIA Specialty Credentialing is likely to change member relationships and has the potential of changing the nature of competition among members.</p> <p>NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the AIA should adopt a code</p>

of principles to shape the development of Specialty Credentialing, specialty certification, or specialty designation. The code of principles would help foster and sustain foundational beliefs and principles such as:

- Ensuring equality and inclusiveness of AIA members.
- Any specialty credential or recognition program should be an integral part of the AIA member benefit landscape, and price, as a prerequisite to accessing Specialty Credentialing, should not be a real or perceived barrier to members enrolling in Specialty Credentialing programs and activities. The cost to earn a credential should be set in a way that allows the AIA to achieve its operational objectives without creating a barrier to credentialing based solely on individual financial resources.
- Before launching Specialty Credentialing, AIA should commit to a robust and sustainable marketing and public outreach program to help enhance client demand.
- Specialty Credentialing should be based on added value and responsive to the needs of society. Service to society is at the core of most respected credentialing programs.
- To avoid tarnishing the AIA brand, tactical efforts and activities supporting Specialty Credentialing must be predictable, dependable, and ensure quality.
- The AIA has clear policies and a strong commitment to discourage misuse of titles or designations that might impair or weaken the value of Specialty Credentialing and the AIA brand.
- Specialty Credentialing should be integrated with AIA's Code of Ethics.
- While appreciating the need for a certain level of confidentiality in research and development of Specialty Credentialing, the AIA should nonetheless conduct an ongoing national conversation with the membership, especially AIA component leadership.
- The AIA's venture into Specialty Credentialing should remain a voluntary framework of engagement.
- The code or principles should consider the following concerns:
 - That credentialing could serve to deepen the divide between different "specialist" tracks within the design industry;
 - That credentialing could construct a barrier to entry for small- or medium-size firms in competing for specific types of project work;
 - That clients, if not properly educated, might overlook other experience in favor of credentials; and
 - That ultimately, credentialing could serve to devalue the meaning of "AIA," as a stand-alone designation.

**Subsequent
Action**

At its May 2017 meeting, the Board deferred action on this resolution to a later date.

8. Candidate Information

Candidate Certification

The Institute Secretary is responsible for establishing the validity of all declared nominations. Based on a review of the materials submitted by each candidate by the certification deadline of March 9, 2018, the Secretary declares the following candidates eligible to stand for election.

2019-2021 At Large Director (one will be elected)

Jessica Sheridan, AIA (AIA New York Chapter/AIA New York)

Rob E. Walker IV, AIA (AIA Birmingham/AIA Alabama)

James Wright, FAIA (AIA Washington DC)

2019-2020 Secretary

Jason Winters, AIA (AIA Chesapeake Bay/AIA Maryland)

2019 First Vice President/2020 President-elect

William J. Carpenter, PhD, FAIA (AIA Atlanta/AIA Georgia)

L. Jane Frederick, FAIA (AIA South Carolina)

Individual candidate biographies and statements of philosophy written by the candidates are provided on the following pages.

Voting for Officers and At-large Director

Delegates must appear in person to vote in the election of officers at At-large Director, which will take place near Room 1A22 in the Javits Center on Thursday, June 21, 2018, at 8:30am - 2pm.

In the event of a runoff election for officers, runoff balloting will take place near Room 1A22 in the Javits Center on Friday, June 22, 2018, at 10am - 2pm.

Candidate for 2019-2021 At-large Director

Jessica Sheridan, AIA AIA New York Chapter/AIA New York



Outreach. Advocacy. Innovation. Prosperity. Relevance. The AIA stands on these pillars to serve its mission as the voice of the architectural profession and a resource for its members in service to society. We have the power as practitioners and educators to elevate our status in the world. We inspire the public, create consensus, and engage with our communities unlike any other profession.

It's time we share the delight in our profession with our clients, our communities, and society.

Climate Accountability. Climate change is the greatest social, economic, and environmental challenge we face. Architects are uniquely qualified to evaluate risk and vulnerability, mitigate and adapt, and holistically design a robust, resilient future for society.

Wellbeing & Social Equality. The architecture profession must both take part and reflect the communities in which it serves to stay relevant. Our workplaces can be a model of leadership development, energetic firm culture, flexibility and transparency, and engaged social commitment.

The Future. Our profession is changing and we need to shift the way we practice to increase our prosperity and relevance. We are adapting our businesses to provide new services to clients; we are changing our practices with emerging technology; our career trajectories no longer follow a single path. We need to involve our emerging professionals. We need to celebrate our diversity and include those who are pushing boundaries daily.

We are experiencing a pivotal moment at the AIA. Connecting with our membership is more important now than ever. We need to be ambitious and proactive. The AIA must think boldly and aspirationally about our profession. I bring a fresh perspective and I am not afraid to question the status quo.

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Jessica Sheridan, AIA

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National

AIA Louise Bethune Fellow, 2018
AIA Board Knowledge Committee, 2018
AIA Strategic Council, NY Regional Representative, 2015-17
AIA Board Governance Task Force, 2016
AIA Resilience Network, 2015

AIA NYS

AIANYS Executive Committee, 2015-17
AIANYS Budget & Finance Committee, 2017

AIANY Chapter

Emerging NY Architects, Advisory Council, 2018
Diversity & Inclusion, 2014
Design for Risk & Reconstruction, 2012
City of Dreams Pavilion, Co-Founder, 2009
Board of Directors, Associate Director, 2012-14
Post-Sandy Initiative, Waterfront Co-Chair, 2012-13
e-OCULUS, Editor-in-Chief, 2005-12

Professional

Mancini Duffy, 2017
Gensler, 2010-17
Helpern Architects, 2008-10
Martin E. Rich Architect, 2003-08

Honors

2017 AIA Young Architects Award
2014 ENR's NY's Top 20 Under 40
2013 AIA Associates Award
2011 AIANYS Intern-Associate Award
2010 Jason Pettigrew Memorial ARE Scholarship
2010 Stephen A. Kliment Oculus Award

Candidate for 2019-2021 At-large Director

Rob E. Walker IV, AIA AIA Birmingham/AIA Alabama



How can AIA positively impact communities? ... Or should we be asking whether AIA even can?

Yes, we can! Our culture is poised now, more than ever in AIA's 161-year history, with the expectation that architects will, that we will respond to the new social consciousness we've witnessed first-hand—environmental stewardship, diversity, and equality—in ways our society never has.

Change is inevitable, as I've learned the hard way from my own firm for 16 years, and finding the right balance can be challenging. We need help and AIA can be a vital **resource** by exploring practice innovations and developing tools to a path of prosperity.

We are thought leaders, but the time for thinking alone has passed. We must enable our members in integrating cutting-edge technology, researching and responding to climate change/resilience or navigating the oncoming generational shift in our membership. AIA can help us move to the next step, developing and nurturing thought leaders for our society and our profession.

It is time for us to make an AIA that solves the challenges we face. Many of us are ready to work tirelessly to make a difference... provide the **value** our members demand... and show society just how relevant we are.

Elect me if this is the kind of change you want at AIA. I'm ready! Are you?

[Rob Walker for At-large Director](#)

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Rob E. Walker IV, AIA continued

Service

AIA Birmingham

- President (2003)
- Birmingham Design Awards Chair (2002, 2003)

AIA Alabama State Council

- President (2010)
- Design Awards Chair (2008, 2009)
- AIA150 Champion (2005-08)

AIA National

- Qatar Trade Mission with AIA National and US Commerce Department (2014)
- Practice and Prosperity Board Committee (2015)
- Board Advocacy Committee: Policy Subcommittee (2014, 2015)
- ArchiPAC Team Leader: SOMAD Team (2016, 2017)
- 2016 AIA Convention Session Presenter: Small Firms Making a Difference.
- 2016 AIA Board Task Force: Credentialing
- **Small Firm Exchange (SFx)/Small Firm Roundtable (SFRT) (2012-17)**
 - Vice Chair (2014-15)
 - Chair (2016)
 - Helped develop AIA Small Firm Guide to Contract Documents (2012-13)
 - Helped develop the AIA Kinetic App and Editor (2012-15)
- **Strategic Council** - Gulf States Regional Representative (2015-17)
 - Class of 2017 Representative (2015)
 - Culture Study Group Leader (2015)
 - New Class Orientation – chaired the effort to establish and conducted an orientation session for incoming Councilors (2016)
- Steering Committee (2015-17)
- Best Practices Committee (2015-17, chair 2016-17)

Candidate for 2019-2021 At-large Director

James Wright, FAIA
AIA Washington DC



What I believe our AIA needs going into the 2020s:

Global Posture

We must strengthen our professional engagement worldwide. AIA is ascendant on the global architectural stage, providing leadership in those defining issues of our era which architects are well positioned to address. As globalization of the economy impacts us all, we must be vitally connected to the world marketplace. Foreign investment in U.S. real estate development is expanding, and your next local project could be financed from abroad. I helped found the AIA International Region in 2012 and have been a Board officer ever since; as At-large Director I will continue to build the AIA brand abroad.

Value Proposition Reinforcement

I've recruited a young and diverse workforce in my own practice, and I have a newly-minted B.Arch. son. Today's generation questions the long, difficult process to become a registered architect, and engagement with AIA is not a given. They are impatient for the rewards and responsibilities that peers have in their professions, and with a life/work balance. AIA's future begins in the schools of architecture.

Leadership in Practice

I am well grounded in the challenges of day-to-day practice. I've been a practice owner for over 20 years, and before that, I was 20 years on the boards. To this day I am hands-on involved with project delivery. AIA tools and resources offer value, but I know where there's work yet to be done. As the Co-Director of the Professional Practice Commission of the International Union of Architects, I work with leader representatives of almost a million architects in formulating creative responses to the ever-evolving nature of architectural services delivery.

The Long Perspective

Many occupations are being disrupted by artificial intelligence and Internet-based service delivery—some to the point of extinction. How does our profession grow and prosper in terms of social influence and stature? I will bring a long view of existential threats to our profession and identify opportunities for using new technologies to do what architects do best—creatively synthesize. My contributions will be broad, relevant, and what we need in the 2020s.

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James Wright, FAIA Continued

Service

- AIA Delegation Leader, 2017 International Union of Architects (UIA) Congress/Assembly
- Co-Director, UIA Professional Practice Commission
- AIA International Region (Immediate Past President, 2018-19; President 2016-17; Vice President 2014-15; Interim Board, 2013; Founding Task Group Chair, 2012)
- AIA International Practice Committee Advisory Group (2012-current; Chair, 2014)
- AIA National Convention Continuing Education Speaker (2012-18)
- AIA Honorary Member 2018 Jury Chair

Professional

- Senior Principal, Page (1997-current)
- Senior Principal, HOK (1994-97)
- Senior Vice President, CRS (1979-94)
- Designer, SH&G (1976-79)

Educational

- Fulbright-Hays Fellow
- Harvard University GSD, M.Arch
- Ohio State University, B.Sc.Arch

More

<https://www.pagethink.com/v/people-detail/James-M-Wright/3q/>

Candidate for 2019-2020 Secretary

Jason Winters, AIA **AIA Chesapeake Bay/AIA Maryland**



When I joined my local chapter, I discovered an AIA community that would help me grow personally and professionally. Over 15 years later, I look back thankfully to all of the AIA members who have welcomed, mentored, and inspired me to join in advocating for the architectural profession. This incredible journey in AIA leadership has been both a privilege and an honor, and it is in this spirit that I present my candidacy as Institute Secretary.

I believe the Secretary should continue to fulfill the vision of repositioning the Institute placing AIA as a robust professional organization with prominent leadership in all aspects of the built environment past, present, and future. Our previous Institute Secretaries have provided critical guidance with which we can continue to build on.

Moving forward, the Secretary should continue to shepherd membership needs, foster relationships amongst Institute bodies, and promote information sharing through multiple communication platforms, increased visibility, and proactive outreach. For me, the role of Secretary is one of active listening, culture building, and constant communication. These features help ensure that our AIA embarks on its mission aggressively with frameworks of best practice. I believe this is crucial as the Secretary position bears significant impact as a conduit between members, components, and AIA National.

I pledge to provide a strong voice bridging our communications between the board, components, and individual members. Outside of our organization, we will work together to expand the relevance of AIA for society. I have high aspirations for the positive impact architects have on the built environment, and it is with this sense of purpose that I ask for your support as Institute Secretary.

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Jason Winters, AIA Continued

AIA National

AIA Strategic Council

- Moderator, 2017
- Strategic Planning Committee, 2016
- NAC Liaison, 2016-17

Federal Architecture Task Group, 2015-18

Public Awareness & Advocacy Committee, 2015

Continuing Education Committee, 2012-15

Board Advocacy Committee, 2012

AIA Middle Atlantic Region

Mid-Atlantic Strategic Counselor Representative, 2015-17

Mid-Atlantic Small Firm Roundtable Representative, 2015-16

AIA Maryland

President, 2014

Vice President, 2013

Chair, Maryland Architects PAC, 2012-14

Director, 2009-11

AIA Chesapeake Bay Chapter

President, 2008

Vice President, 2007

Treasurer, 2006

Director, 2004-05

Professional

Kezlo Group – Principal, 2013-present

CRGA – Associate, 2001-12

Education

Johns Hopkins University - Master of Liberal Arts

Syracuse University - Master of Architecture

Drexel University - Bachelor of Architecture

Candidate for 2019 First Vice President/ 2020 President-elect

**William J. Carpenter, PhD, FAIA
AIA Atlanta/AIA Georgia**



AIA is at a formative time of exciting transformation and I would like to serve you as the 2020 President to use my skills as a proven national leader to expand our influences. We can continue our global outreach to guide the future of design through focused and inspired leadership.

Inclusion

We will prioritize the Equity Commission movement for women, minorities, and other underrepresented members in the profession. We can dissolve insular boundaries within AIA and make better connections with academia, allied disciplines, and the public. Connecting with academia will help us share research and knowledge.

Emerging professionals

We should encourage leadership for students, Associates and emerging professionals, and help connect them to key initiatives in the Institute and in the profession. We should encourage future leaders for Board and Council service.

We can have a stronger collective voice

AIA can help strengthen and support the Centers for Architecture as a collective. We can connect to the public and foster collaborative initiatives and save threatened works of architecture. When we lead our voice becomes stronger and heard.

I am a proven and respected leader who will represent our membership with integrity. I have served on AIA's National Board as South Atlantic Regional Director and as President of AIA Atlanta and AIA Georgia. I have also served as chair of two national communities, the Design Build Knowledge Community and the Young Architects Forum.

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William J. Carpenter, PhD, FAIA Continued

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy

Birmingham Institute of Art + Design; College of Architecture and Urbanism
(United Kingdom)

M.ARCH

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University: College of Architecture and
Urban Studies

B.Arch

Mississippi State University: College of Architecture and Design

PROFESSIONAL and TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Founder: Lightroom Studio; Atlanta, GA

Samuel Mockbee FAIA; Jackson, MS; Intern Architect

Kennesaw State University; Marietta, GA—Professor; College of Architecture;
1993-present

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2018 Chancellor: National ACSA; The College of Distinguished
Professors

2016 AIA Atlanta President

2014 AIA National Board: Council of Emerging Professionals, and Center
for Integrated Practice Board Liaison

2010-13 National AIA Board; South Atlantic Regional Director

2000 AIA Georgia President

1993 Chair; AIA Young Architects Forum—Founder of the AIA Young
Architects Award

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

2017 Biennale di Venezia 2016, Venice, Italy; Lightroom

2016 AIA Atlanta Honor Award, Paty Modern

2015 AIA Atlanta Honor Award, Hartwell Cabin

2014 ACSA; National Distinguished Professor Award

2012 AIA Georgia Bernard B. Rothschild Award

2010 AIA Atlanta Ivan Allen Senior

1997 AIA National Young Architects Citation

Candidate for 2019 First Vice President/ 2020 President-elect

L. Jane Frederick, FAIA AIA South Carolina



Looking to the future, let's imagine where we will be in 2028.

Our workforce will be diverse, distributed, and specialized. 75% of the global workforce will be millennials. We must act on the recommendations from the Young Architect's Practice Innovation Lab, support K-12 architectural education, and continue to build a diverse and equitable profession.

Rapidly developing economies will continue to create competition for energy, water, and other high demand resources. AIA needs to drive the research and implementation of renewable energy, materials, and how buildings affect the health and well-being of their occupants to create a cleaner, healthier, safer, and sustainable world.

The climate will still be changing. AIA must help all of our members reach the goal of carbon neutral and resilient buildings.

Governing will be de-centralized. Cities and Communities will be solving the big dilemmas of healthy cities, resiliency, homelessness, and energy independence. Architects are agents of positive change and can lead us in mitigating these big gnarly challenges that require multidisciplinary solutions.

To create a future with better buildings, better communities, and a better world, we have to be flexible, nimble, and seize opportunities to turn dilemmas into advantages thereby making a difference in social, environmental, and economic realms. We must elevate our influence; advance research and share the knowledge; support firms and members; and distribute our resources among our members and components.

As architects, when we are at our best—we don't talk about the future—we create it.

I have the experience, qualifications, and proven leadership to serve as your president of AIA. Let's create the future together.

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L. Jane Frederick, FAIA

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AIA National

At-Large Board Member, 2016-17

- Committees: Public Outreach, chair; Board Visibility & Engagement Task Force

South Atlantic Regional Director 2013-15

- Committees: Board Knowledge, Practice & Prosperity, Emerging Professionals, Council Strategy and Digital Transformation Task Groups

Small Firm Round Table Executive Committee 2010-14, chair, vice chair

Small Firm Task Force, 2005-06

Inaugural AIA Leadership Institute, 1997

AIA South Carolina, 2008-11

President

Secretary/Treasurer

Director

Design Juries

AIA Gold Medal/Firm Award Advisory Jury

AIA District of Columbia

AIA North Carolina

AIA Charlotte

AIA Rhode Island

Collateral Organizations

NCARB, 2001-08 Architectural Registration Examination Committees

NCARB Region 3, 2001-04 chair, vice chair, secretary

South Carolina Board of Architectural Examiners, 1999-2004, chair, 2001-03

NAAB, 2005-18, served on 12 teams, chair of 7

Professional Experience

Principal at Frederick + Frederick Architects since 1989

Bachelor of Architecture, Auburn University

