Minutes
Board of Trustees Meeting September 18, 2020

Summary of Action Items:
- Be sure to follow APA Ohio on LinkedIn!
- Contact Sinha if you have any comments or suggestions on the DEI Task Force work plan.
- Send Kinskey any suggested legislators to reach out to for sponsorship of digital meeting legislation.
- Contact Kinskey if you are interested in volunteering to update A Guide to Planning in Ohio.
- Contact Kinskey if you are interested in a co-op student.

I. Introductions

II. Roll Call & Communications
Anderson called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM.

Present:
C. Anderson
E. Anderson
C. Auffrey
J. Braverman
T. Breidenstein
T. Davis
P. Etchie
T. Kinskey
T. Hilde
L. Hollstein
K. Keough-Jurs
M. Kim
K. Lieber
P. Logue
N. Martin
R. Ray
C. Ronayne
M. Schmidt
M. Sinha

Absent:
K. Burton
K. Keough-Jurs
A. Klavora
A. Lococo
K. Scocco

III. Motion to Follow or Amend Agenda
C. Anderson requested to postpone the discussion on succession planning. A motion was made by Braverman and seconded by Lieber to approve the agenda. Motion passes.

IV. Approval of Minutes from the June 26, 2020 Board Meeting
A motion was made by Martin and seconded by Kinskey to approve the minutes. Motion passes.
V. Action and Discussion Agenda

President’s Report (C. Anderson)
See boardbook for full report.

C. Anderson congratulated everyone that was elected/re-elected to the Board.

The Executive Committee met recently to increase Christine’s webcast series retainer for increased work.

The Policy and Advocacy conference is September 23-24. C. Anderson and Kinskey will attend (virtually).

An AARP conference coming up that APA Ohio is advertising.

Fall leadership meetings will take place in the next month. C. Anderson, Ray and C. Davis will attend (virtually).

Please keep APA staffer Lynn Jorgenson in your thoughts. She is our primary contact with APA and is in poor health.

Norm Krumholtz is being nominated for an APA award and APA Ohio is supporting this.

Governance Committee (Braverman + Kim)
Braverman stated that Election is complete. The new Board will begin their terms on January 1, 2021.

Kim mentioned that the system upgraded and seemed to work well.

The Committee also shared some procedures ahead of time to the candidates and it also worked well.

OKI Update (C. Davis)
APA national’s legal team has become involved. The legal representative from Omni is no longer with Omni so everything is again on hold until a new representative is determined.

2020 PZ Workshop Update (Lieber)
Lieber reported that planning for the 2020 P&Z Workshop Series is underway. A website has been established and sessions are being coordinated. Registration is free to members and $25 for nonmembers. Kentucky and Indiana members have been invited to attend for free.

OEDA Joint Workshop Update (Ray)
See presentation for full report.

DEI Task Force Update (Sinha)
See Boardbook for full report.
Sinha highlighted nonmembers that are volunteering for this task force.

The task force is currently breaking into subgroups to focus on specific tasks and goals.

Please reach out to Sinha with any thoughts, comments or suggestions.

**Awards Committee Report** (Schmidt)
See boardbook for full report.

Great Places in Ohio awards program received twenty (20) diverse submissions.

Four (4) submissions are being awarded:
Downtown Cuyahoga Falls
Promenade Park
Oiler Community Learning Center
Benjamin Neighborhood, Springfield

Ray suggested to keep the non winners that were good applications in the loop to submit again.

Ray suggested the winners be detailed in the next edition of the *Ohio Planners News*.

Sinha suggested an “up and coming” award category for next time.

**Legislative Committee Report** (Kinskey)
See boardbook for full report.

Some items put on hold that relate to in-person necessity.

The policy platform is complete.

Issue of providing access to digital meetings is some “low hanging fruit” we can help with. HB 197 passed December 1. It has an expiration date and we need to get that extended beyond its current expiration. Making it permissive makes a lot of sense for communities. The committee is drafting a white paper that will be sent to local legislators. If anyone knows of a legislator that may sponsor, please let Kinskey know.

The committee has also developed a more detailed work plan and is assigning members.

The committee is also interested in updating *A Guide to Planning in Ohio*. Breidenstein had interest in helping with this. Kim uses the guide frequently and is interested in helping.

**Membership Committee Report** (Lieber)
See Boardbook for full report.

A student survey was released asking general questions on their knowledge of APA Ohio, what type of programming and support they need and questions regarding interest in scholarships.
**Sponsorship Update (Ray)**
See presentation for details.

Board members concur with the track.

**Treasurer’s Report (P. Logue)**
See Boardbook for full report.

C. Anderson requested that we remove the Planners4Health money from the profit equation to get a clearer financial picture.

A motion was made by C. Anderson and seconded by Ray to accept the Treasurer’s Report, the FY2021 Budget, and the request to move Planners4Health funds into a separate checking account. Motion passes.

**Executive Director’s Report (C. Davis)**
See Boardbook for full report.

Ronayne requested the board look at the digital divide occurring in our current COVID world.

Ronayne asked the board to be mindful that collegiate schools in Ohio will be severely challenged in the coming years.

Etchie requested C. Davis send board members a template that can be forwarded to help them advertise the PZ workshop.

Kinskey reported co-op student opportunities for free in Ohio that are working with UC. Ask Kinskey if you are interested.

C. Anderson and Kinskey reported they are impressed at our chapter professional development offerings since COVID began.

**VI. Adjournment**
The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM.