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Report

from the Strategic Council

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Mission: *The AIA Strategic Council advances the architectural profession by informing the AIA Board and other Institute bodies about important professional issues, opportunities, and threats. The Council has an outward and forward-focused vision with an emphasis on long-term goals and outcomes.*

What Does the Strategic Council Do? *To learn more about the role and activities of the Strategic Council, click HERE.*

From the Councilor

If you plan on attending AIA24, Conference on Architecture & Design, in June, please connect. The Strategic Council is planning an informal session on the expo floor on Friday afternoon to connect with members directly, to share info about the Strategic Council, and to hear feedback from members on the topics the Strategic Council is studying. I hope to see you there!

Regards,

Patty Boyle, AIA

Council News

FROM THE MODERATOR + VICE MODERATOR

Last month, the Strategic Council took a significant step forward by submitting the proposed AIA Health and Wellbeing Policy. Your support for this resolution is crucial as it aims to enhance the value AIA members provide to their clients. By embracing the latest knowledge and trends in health and wellbeing, clarifying policies, and fostering research-based relationships on architecture's impact on human health, we can truly elevate our profession. Additionally, the inaugural "Council Connection Meeting" facilitated insightful discussions among Councilors, fostering a platform for sharing personal and professional experiences. We are excited to welcome student representatives to all five council study groups. In addition to representatives from the National Associates Committee and Young Architects Forum, student perspectives ensure the Council's work addresses the future of the profession. The five study groups continue research work for developing recommendations for AIA regarding wellbeing, AI, Equity, Climate/Water and the Value of Architecture.

Graciela Carrillo, AIA 2024 Moderator + Josh Flowers, FAIA 2024 Vice Moderator

Special thanks to our Steering Committee members who help guide our work and inform our decision-making process: Brad Benjamin, AIA (Best Practices Committee Chair), Alyssa Murphy, AIA (Communications Chair), Bruce Herrington, AIA (Elections Chair).

Institute News

AUTOMATIC ELEVATION TO FELLOWSHIP CONSIDERED

At its meeting on May 8, 2024 the Board considered the proposed amendments to Chapter 2.42 of the AIA Bylaws to automatically elevate eligible recipients of the Whitney M. Young, Jr. Award and Elected AIA Officers (President-Elect, Secretary or Treasurer only) to AIA Fellowship. The Board voted to elevate only Whitney M. Young, Jr. Award recipients. Automatic elevation for Elected AIA Officers was not approved. Please see the **full memo** posted on AIA Governance page.

AIA ANNUAL MEETING UPDATE

PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

New membership categories will be addressed in a Resolution and Bylaw change that will come up for a vote at the AIA Annual Meeting on June 5th. View the proposed by-laws amendments here.

Based on feedback from members, AIA has developed a list of FAQs to address questions on the proposed amendments to the AIA Bylaws related to the membership category changes here.

TOWN HALL MEETINGS TO REVIEW PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

AIA Secretary Britt Lindberg, FAIA, hosted a series of Town Hall meetings to present all resolutions and amendments to the AIA Bylaws in preparation for the Annual Meeting. Recordings of the Town Hall conversations can be found on the AIA Governance page under the heading "AIA Focused Discussions and Q&A Sessions".

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE

Candidates for the Office of 2025 President-Elect, 2025 Secretary and (1) 2025-2027 At Large Director to the Board are listed on the AIA website here. The official delegate information book will be distributed on May 6th, 2024.

WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

The 2024 Women's Leadership Summit will be hosted in Chicago October 8-10. The theme is Building Resilience. The call for proposals is open between May 6 and June 14, 2024. Please submit proposals here.

Upcoming events

Date	Event	Location	Link
June 6-8, 2024	Conference on Architecture & Design 2024	Washington DC	Link
October 8-10, 2024	Women's Leadership Summit	Chicago	

For more events, visit the AIA events page at: https://www.aia.org/community/events.

Feedback

We value input! If you have questions or ideas for the Strategic Council, reach out to us at StrategicCouncil@aia.org.