



YOUNG ARCHITECTS FORUM | AIA PITTSBURGH | Advisory Committee Minutes of Meeting

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MEETING NO.:	MEETING DATE:	TIME:	MEETING LOCATION:
2018-01	Wednesday, January 17th, 2018	5:30 – 6:45 PM [1 HR – 15 MINS]	AIA Pittsburgh Offices 925 Liberty Avenue, Suite 700

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Agenda

1. Welcome and Intro to new YAF year
2. Important Online tools for Steering Committee
3. Calendar of 2018 (20 mins)
4. Steering Committee group photo

Coming Event updates

1. Pecha Kucha on March 8
2. Michael Riscica in town! March 15 and 16

This Month's Topic:

1. ARE reviews Task Force formation
2. Building Tour of Barbour Library: who wants to organize?
3. EPic news by Joe A. (5 mins)
4. Newsletter: suggestions

Mark Your Calendar

1. Feb 5 - SoArch lecture: MARGARET GRIFFIN Towards a new authenticity (5 PM)
2. Feb 6 - Carpenters - Blueprint Layout (5:45 pm)
3. Feb 20 - Carpenters - Tool Box Construction (5:45 pm)

NOTES:

1. Went around table and introduced self to everyone
 - a. New 2018 officers: BS Chair, EP Vice Chair, CB Secretary, JQ Treasurer present
TO PR chair, RB past chair not present
 - b. Pitt AIAS Treasurer ED present-asked for people to talk about AREs & testing
2. BS- Welcome speech-Goals for YAF
 - a. Strengthen YAF management; retain talents; welcome people; leadership; push professional development; testing 5.0; good budget; fundraising with AIA PGH ok; professional events; collaboration with other industries connected to architecture ex. Landscape, art; promote young architects-competitions and showcases; newsletter
3. Online YAF 2018 coordination sheet (Google sheets and docs)-review tabs
 - a. YAF Taskforce-Everyone takes on small projects
 - b. YAF Newsletter- list of events and other group coordination
 - c. Officer contacts-phone numbers and emails
 - d. Calendar of building tours- list of building tours upcoming – AXP hours
 - e. Events checklist- task checklist for events (things that need to happen for each event)
 - f. Resources-links that are useful
4. Calendar 2018 – Google calendar possibility
 - a. When someone takes up responsibility for events, find the best date with all the other events
 - b. YAF Facebook page-cover picture has list of events for the month
5. Carpenters Training Center classes – every other Tuesday
 - a. January 23 – Power Tools
6. ARE intro event – Date and tech – Feb?
 - a. Ray Bowman – Black Spectacles videos

7. March 15 & 16 (Thurs & Fri) – Michael Riscica – How to prepare for AREs and how to answer questions
 - a. DJ & SK will coordinate?
8. Happy Hours – bars or firms?
 - a. if at firms, can be mixers with Pitt and CMU? – How to card?
 - b. Maybe mixers every other time? Every third?
 - c. ED – last year happened at night during week when studios are happening
M&W – Upper classmen; T&Th – lower class
 - d. SK – Happy Hour “lunch and learn” type thing?
 - e. JD – Sponsorships from companies for ARE’s and HHs? (have to ok with AIA PGH)
 - f. EP – 1st HH (in Feb); MB – 2nd HH (in March)
9. Photo taken down the table
10. Upcoming events:
 - a. Pecha Kucha – explanation – March 8 @ KC Dodge Cultural Production
6pm-9pm; deadline for slides Feb 19 to Greg (?)
 - b. NOMA – Jan 22 @ IKM, 6pm, drinks and general meeting, AW is liason
 - c. Building Tour – Barbour Library – AW will coordinate
11. JA-EPIC (Emerging Professional Community)
 - a. Facilitates conversation across the commonwealth, firm recognition for helping young architects, PALM, has tab on AIA website, visits schools and colleges – Sean Sheffer (sp?)
 - b. remodeling at state level, more inclusive, borrowing from New Jersey
 - c. MB – Chapter Rep for Pittsburgh
 - d. RB – Rep at National level
 - e. need communications coordinator at state level-meetings, conference calls, etc
12. Talk about time guidelines on YAF Mtg Agenda – not set but to help condense time spent
13. Newsletter
 - a. So Arch lectures – Feb 5
 - b. Covestro volunteers – Mar 25
 - c. ED – Pitt fundraisers – restaurants in Oakland – want plotter, place to put it, maintain it
 - d. Carpenters classes
 - e. LAGI contest
 - f. ACE
14. BG – MODULE – student design competition
 - a. Design a fixture or piece of furniture for 3D printing
 - b. Winner will be created and placed in a MODULE house and a cash prize
 - c. Moduledesignchallenge.com
15. WH – will be competition resource gatherer -find them and bring to notice of YAF
16. Next meeting: Feb 7 or Feb 21? BS to send out Doodle
17. Topics for meetings
 - a. With more tasks/events being prepared by one or two people, frees meetings up to be more useful to the group rather than caught up in planning
 - b. Meetings should focus on how support emerging professionals – conversations and anecdotes
 - c. Testing!; Becoming a Pro; Hello my name is-how to promote self; graphic designer-portfolios; ED- what is happening in PGH in communities and design-wise (Topic chosen for Feb); JA-advocacy-in anticipation of Architectural Advocacy Day (topic chosen for Mar); role of YAF and what it is trying to do

18. JA-Google calendar for events; Evites for outside events?
19. MB-talked of social media role – Houses of PGH had a meetup with Young Preservation group-tours of houses and posted on Instagram with hashtags
20. Calendar updates (mostly covered earlier in meeting)
21. Reflections: comment on people coming late/leaving early being distractions?
22. Meeting adjourned; people mingled

LINKS:

Columns Home Page:

<http://aiapgh.org/columns-home/>

AIA Events Calendar:

<http://aiapgh.org/events/>

Green Building Alliance

<https://www.go-gba.org/>

"To envision what will be, you must remove yourself from the constant concern for what already is."

SCOTT BELSKY

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