

APA NY Metro Chapter
Executive Committee Meeting
April 20, 2009
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I. Procedural Duties

- A. Call to order at 6:14PM
- B. Minutes from previous meeting were accepted with typographical edit.

Attending:

II. Reports

A. President

- FAF wants recommendations for Arts Commission of NY. Discussion on appropriateness for planners and ideas.
- Received a letter from Gov. Island thanking us for advocacy on maintaining open space
- New Historical Preservation Committee Proposal is expected-Donald went to open house-James Rausse likes it the Bronx commission has been good, discussion on individual issues that could be taken on
- Dutch Days-Discussion on finding a new walking tour guide, this is a high profile year, 400th anniversary of Dutch founding-Discussion of overlap between Historic preservation and Dutch Days.

Ex Comm Members

Donald Burns
Tina Lund
Lukas Herbert
James Rausse
Lisa Lau
Reyna Alorro

Other Attendees

Mary Findlen

Members Via Phone

Gary Brown

B. Administrator

- Planning Law Program on April 21 has 50 signed up
- Blast emails are being sent out in categories: APA events and Events of Interest with CM credits
- Programs Report in Neal's Absence
 - Annual Meeting: Times Square Alliance offered space: donating space but \$1000 for security/maintenance, additional for chair rental and caterers. The catering is the cost issue. Discussion on charges: Previously "suggested" \$10, \$5 for students. Possibilities: making costs firm, cash bar, raising only regular prices keeping students the same, raising both.
 - Fall Conference: Key note cancelled, finding new one, six confirmed panels, student attendance is free but they are paying for lunch. Costs: \$85 for last two. Raise to \$95, \$100? Discussion of raising even more, issue of public sector jobs not reimbursing.

C. Housing Committee

- Tour of Habitat Condos on March 27 had only 9 attendees. Arverne Tour will be 1/3 speakers from HPD and the developers, 2/3 tour given by local. Discussion on how to improve attendance: Arverne will be the test on willingness to go to outer boroughs.

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D. VP for Professional Development

- AICP review classes finished. 20 people, \$2650 raised. Speakers were helpful and useful. Discussion of review being done by webinar as well. Also potential for November review session--possibly just a 3 hour jeopardy session
- CM credits in for Marcy Kessner on the 9th, RPA and East End for the 22nd. No word from Tom Jost on his writeup for his program, Donald will contact him.

E. Treasurer

- Paid \$4,000 in operational expenses: labor, rent, copies, Account Balance is \$9570. Additional funds to be added include deposits from class, sponsorship from AKRF.
- Thank you notes should go out for ads
- Reminder letters to past advertisers and those whose accounts need renewal.

F. Young Planners and School Relations

- Students: Open Houses at Sustainable South Bronx, AKRF, NYS Parks, Lisk, EDC, Appleseed. Very successful, will do again next year. All School Happy Hour in May or June
- Young Planners Group: Kickoff held, 50 want to be involved, committee suggestions include, events, publicity, mentorship, online networking, outreach to K-12. Reyna and Donald will speak on outreach to K-12.
- Spring Mixer May 28th.

G. Mid Hudson

- CM courses to be held once a month. May and June webinar to be purchased through Metrochapter--after viewing to be added to Metrochapter library. Discussion on possibility of subsidizing cost if too few people attend to cover cost of CD. Discussion of viewing a number of CDs in one block--but unlikely people will sit for 4 hours. Metrochapter to purchase CDs for use by sections, need recommendations for topics of interest.

H. Additional Discussion on CM Credits:

- NY Green Building Congress is becoming a provider. Programs in May from Land Use Institute and NJ Builders Association
- **Fear that we're so interested in getting credits that we're forgetting about good programs.**

Next meeting: May 18th, 2009

Meeting Adjourned: 7:38 PM