



National Associates Committee
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AIA Ohio Valley Region 2013 Regional Associate Director's Report Gregory M. Spon, AIA

In the Region

Special thanks to the Sarah Markley, Assoc. AIA, AIA Ohio Associate Director, Patrick Kestner, Assoc. AIA, AIA Indiana Associate Director and Portia Shields, Assoc. AIA, AIA Kentucky Associate Director for all your hard work with your state and local components. They are great leaders and I have been fortunate enough to work with them.

My term as the AIA OVR RAD will be ending December 31, 2013. In April, the Ohio Valley Regional Council selected Theodore Ferringer, Assoc. AIA as my replacement. He has been shadowing me all summer and will serve as the 2014 -2015 AIA Ohio Valley Regional Associate Director and sit on the National Associates Committee. I am confident Ted will do a fantastic job and I look forward to working with him.

I was elected in June 2013 by the National Associates Committee to serve as the 2014 NAC Chair and will be the 2015 Associate Director to the National Board. In 2016, he will serve as the Sr. Associate Director to the National Executive Committee.

Wayne Mortensen, Assoc. AIA, AIA Cleveland, is the current Associate Director to the National Board and will serve as the 2014 Sr. Associate Director to the National Executive Committee.

Patrick Slattery, Assoc. AIA, AIA Indianapolis, was awarded the position of assistant editor for the Associate News. He will be working with Clarice Sollog, Assoc. AIA and the NAC Communications Portfolio to bring back the newsletter to associate members this fall. The Associate News is provided by the AIA National Associates Committee. Members will receive a monthly email update to include the topics Hot off the Press, In the Works, Program Spotlight and a Calendar of Events.

AIA Ohio Valley Emerging Professionals Council

Associate leaders in the region have been working together to create an AIA Ohio Valley Emerging Professionals Council. Please see the AIA OVR EP Leadership Map to identify the emerging professionals representing you in the region. Please use this map as a tool and conduit to reach out and communicate with them. During the past few months, leaders have been participating on conference calls and plan on meeting in person at the Ohio Valley Regional Convention to discuss how we can better assist the associate membership.

Chris Gerrity, Assoc. AIA, AIA Indianapolis will be the co-chair of the AIA OVR EP Council. We are still looking for another co-chair and volunteers. This is a great opportunity become a leader in the region. Please spread the word to contact me or Chris if you know someone who may be interested.



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Mission:

The National Associates Committee is dedicated to representing and advocating for Associates, both mainstream and alternative, in the national, regional, state and local components of the AIA.

Vision:

By promoting excellence, providing information and leadership, fostering inclusiveness and encouraging individual, community and professional development, we will integrate the growing Associates community of the profession into a strong voice within the Institute.

NAC Annual meeting was held on Saturday, June 22, 2013 in Denver, CO.

Elections:

2014 NAC Candidates:

Chair (2015 Assoc Dir Elect, 2016 Sr. Assoc Director to the AIA ExComm):

Greg Spon, JW Blanchard, April Trojinak, Cesar Gallegos

Directors:

Joe Lai, Devin Little, Derek Osterman, Michael Atkinson

Ohio Valley's Gregory Spon, AIA was elected as the Chair, a 3 year progressive term with 1st year as chair, 2nd year as Associate Director to the National Board, and 3rd year as Associate Director to the National Executive Committee. Rounding out the NAC ExComm with 1 year terms are Devin Little, North Central States Region, Derek Osterman, New England Region, and Michael Atkinson, South Atlantic Region.

Associates on AIA Component Boards: Convention Bylaws Amendment 13-A allows Assoc. & Int'l Assoc. Members to serve as Component Officers

The delegates at the 2013 AIA National Convention approved the following amendments to the Institute's bylaws by two-thirds majority vote:

Bylaws Amendment 13-A, Associate and International Associate Members as Component Officers: This amendment allows components (if they choose to do so) to have Associates and International Associates as officers. This change does not affect current limitations providing that Associates and International Associates together may not hold more than two seats or one-third of the total seats, whichever number is greater, on component boards of directors.

This is a huge victory for the Institute and Associate members. The next step is to implement the bylaws change by educating local components and getting the Associate members involved in leadership roles.

Encourage Your Local Board to Act

Associates and International Associates can discuss the bylaws amendment with their local board and Component Executive. Review local bylaws to see if any changes or revisions are necessary to allow Associates and International Associates to serve as officers.

For questions about the bylaws amendment and local impact, please contact AIA General Counsel members Terrence Canela, Esq., CAE, tcanela@aia.org, or Jay Stephens, Esq., Hon.

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Proposed Rules Changes Regarding Addition of CACE Liaison:

The NAC explored a rule change to select a CACE Liaison in coordination with the CACE President to serve as an advisor to the NAC for a period of two (2) years, to coincide with the AIA leadership calendar. Mike Waldinger has been selected as the CACE Liaison for 2013 & 2014.

Emerging Professionals Council

The council is a collaboration between three groups; AIAS, Associate AIA, and the Young Architects Forum and was formed in late 2010. Often we find ourselves with similar or duplicate agendas and found it best to collaborate on these efforts rather than compete. Emerging Professionals is defined as; students, intern architects, and those licensed 10 years or less. Intern architect is defined as graduated from professional degree architecture school but not yet licensed.

At the Convention in June, The National Board received an update from the Council of Emerging Professionals. Representatives of AIAS, NAC, and YAF have continued collaborations on key issues for emerging professionals regarding licensure, professional development, membership, and mentorship.

Associate Membership

California 23 %	Michigan 18 %
Central States 26 %	Middle Atlantic 24 %
Florida/Caribbean 22 %	New England 18 %
Gulf States 26 %	New Jersey 15 %
Illinois 21 %	New York 17 %
North Central 25 %	Texas 23 %
Northwest Pacific 21 %	Virginias 29 %
Ohio Valley 17 %	Western Mountain 24 %
Pennsylvania 15 %	South Atlantic 20 %
AIA OVERALL 21.5%	

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