

## 2022 Member Congress

Alicia Belton, FAIA, NOMA – President  
Thursday, November 10 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

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### BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

### Presenters

Welcome & Call to Order

*Alicia Belton, FAIA, NOMA*

Secretary's Report

*Samantha Mendiola, AIA*

- Minutes of the 2021 Member Congress

Gratitude & Celebration

*Alicia Belton, FAIA, NOMA*

- Newly Licensed Architects
- Architecture 2030 Signatories
- Committee & Knowledge Community Leaders

Stories of Collaboration, Accomplishment, & Gratitude  
Reports & Calls to Action

- Local Chapter Collaboration
- Government Affairs Committee
- MAPAC
- Minnesota Architectural Foundation

*Andrew Gardner, AIA, Katherine Gerzina, AIA, Stephanie Howe, AIA, and Michael Roehr, AIA*  
*Mark Kalar, AIA*  
*Tom Hysell, FAIA*  
*Meredith Hayes Gordon, AIA and Bake Baker, FAIA*

Treasurer's Report

*Michael Fischer, AIA*

- 2021 Audited Financials

State of the Association

*Mary-Margaret Zindren, CAE*

Leadership Transition

- Outgoing President's Remarks
- Nominating Committee Report & Elections
- Remarks from President-Elect

*Alicia Belton, FAIA, NOMA*  
*Anna Pravinata, AIA, NOMA*  
*Sam Olbekson, AIA*

Conclusion & Adjournment

*Alicia Belton, FAIA, NOMA*

## 2021 MEMBER CONGRESS MEETING MINUTES

November 11, 2021

Prepared by Amber Allardyce, Deputy Executive Director

### Welcome and Call to Order

President Anna Pravinata, AIA, NOMA, welcomed attendees and called the virtual meeting to order at 2:04 pm with quorum present.

### Recognition

Pravinata recognized Committee and Knowledge Community leaders for all they do to move this profession and our communities forward. Congratulations and a virtual round of applause were issued to individuals who achieved architecture licensure in Minnesota during the past year. Pravinata recognized the firms that have taken the important step of signing on to Architecture 2030.

### Reports and Calls to Action

#### *Minnesota Architectural Foundation*

Minnesota Architectural Foundation (MAF) President Meredith Hayes Gordon, AIA, shared the many important activities of MAF this past year. She shared MAF gratitude for the generosity of many firms and individuals who have donated this past year.

#### *Government Affairs Committee Report*

Government Affairs Committee leaders Mark Kalar, AIA, Elizabeth Turner, AIA, and Laurie McGinley, AIA reported on another great year on the advocacy front.

#### *Minnesota Architects Political Action Committee*

Michell Mongeon Allen, AIA, chair of the Minnesota Architects Political Action Committee (MAPAC) shared the 2021 report and asked for financial support of the membership as MAPAC continues efforts toward their five-year fundraising goal.

#### *Regional Directors' Reports*

North Central States Regional Director John Horky, FAIA, provided a brief report on our representatives' work with the Strategic Council and efforts within our region.

#### *Regional Associate Director Report*

North Central States Regional Associate Director Jonathan Jacobs, Assoc. AIA, shared an update on efforts, engagement, and events of the North Central States Regional Associates Committee.

### *Secretary's Report*

Secretary Samantha Turnock Mendiola, AIA, reviewed the 2020 Member Congress meeting minutes highlighting the motions.

***A motion to approve the 2020 Annual Meeting minutes included in the 2021 Annual Report was made, seconded, and passed by the membership.***

### *Treasurer's Report*

Treasurer Steven Wolf, AIA, provided a brief overview of the financial report included in the 2021 Annual Report.

***A motion to accept the financial report was made, seconded, and passed by the membership.***

## **Bylaws Amendments to Align with National**

Pravinata highlighted bylaws revisions to reflect changes made to the AIA national bylaws. She noted these sorts of conformity changes can be made by the AIA Minnesota Board of Directors on the membership's behalf and the AIA Minnesota Board of Directors is poised to make the changes.

In the summer of 2021, AIA national's bylaws were changed, by a vote of the national membership, to remove the governance layer of Regions. References to regions were removed from the AIA bylaws, and the selection of representatives of Minnesota to AIA national groups including the AIA Strategic Council and was shifted from regions to states.

AIA Minnesota bylaws also have references to regions, which need to be removed in order to conform with the revised AIA bylaws. We have just received the appropriate deletions, revised language, and renumbered section references for our AIA Minnesota bylaws from AIA's general counsel. The AIA Minnesota Board of Directors will act on these changes by the end of the year in order to appropriately seat new Minnesota representatives.

## **State of the Association**

Executive Vice President Mary-Margaret Zindren provided the annual State of the Association report.

## **Leadership Transition**

### *Outgoing President's Remarks*

Pavinata reflected on her year as President. She thanked fellow board members, the membership, and staff. She concluded by encouraging architects and designers to imagine and realize a better world for all of us.

### *Nominating Committee Report and Elections*

Past President Karen Lu, AIA, NOMA, presented the Nominating Committee report and the slate of candidates for 2022:

Sam Olbekson, AIA - President-Elect

Samantha Turnock Mendiola, AIA - Secretary  
Michael Fischer, AIA - Treasurer  
Sarah St. Louis, Assoc. AIA – Associate Director

Alicia Belton, AIA, NOMA, by virtue of being elected to the position of President-Elect in 2020, will become the AIA Minnesota President for 2022.

***A motion to accept the AIA Minnesota slate of candidates for 2022 by acclamation was made, seconded, and approved by the membership.***

#### *Remarks from President-Elect*

President-Elect Alicia Belton, AIA, NOMA, shared a bit about herself, shared her goals for 2022, and thanked Anna Pravinata for her leadership in 2021.

### **Conclusion and Adjournment**

Pravinata concluded by thanking the many volunteer leaders involved in AIA Minnesota, the three local chapters, MAF and MAPAC, the staff team, and all attendees for their engagement and commitment to our mission of advancing a vital profession, vibrant communities, and architecture that endures. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm.

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# Committee & Knowledge Community Leaders

*Thank you for your work to advance a vital profession, vibrant communities,  
and architecture that endures. Thank you for your leadership in AIA Minnesota!*

## **Architecture Licensing Advisory Committee**

Matt Wingard, AIA  
Gary Demele, FAIA

## **Architecture in the Schools Committee**

*Youth Outreach Analysis Research*  
Nicole Bauknight, Assoc. AIA, NOMA

## **Building Codes Knowledge Community**

Gerhard Guth, AIA  
Scott Anderson, AIA

## **Committee on Design**

Ligeia Cholensky, AIA MN Allied  
Rebecca Muchow, AIA  
Doug Bergert, AIA

## **Committee on Equity in the Built Environment**

Teri Kwant, AIA MN Allied

## **Committee on the Environment**

Simona Fischer, AIA  
Thea Rozenbergs, AIA  
Sara Curlee, AIA

## **Community of Practice for Culture Change**

Anna Pravinata, AIA, NOMA  
Emilie Kopp, AIA  
Nicole Bauknight, Assoc. AIA, NOMA  
Sara Du, Assoc. AIA  
Sean Higgins, AIA  
Steven Wolf, AIA

## **Conference Continuing Education Committee**

Jim Butler, AIA

## **Council of Firms Knowledge Community**

Daniel Kodet, AIA  
Amy Williams, AIA

## **Emerging Professionals Committee**

Ashley VandenBosch, Assoc. AIA  
Anastasia Jacklitch, Assoc. AIA

## **ENTER Committee**

Amy Nash, AIA MN Allied

Amy Douma, AIA

## **Government Affairs Committee**

Mark Kalar, AIA  
Dustin Rehkamp, AIA  
Corey Mollet, AIA

## **Health Design Knowledge Community**

Rebecca Lewis, FAIA  
Choy Leow, AIA

## **Housing Advocacy Committee**

Chris Palkowitsch, AIA  
Max Carr, AIA  
Mateo Gonzalez, Assoc. AIA

## **Lake Superior Design Retreat Committee**

Cheryl Fosdick, Assoc. AIA  
Amber Sausen, AIA  
Steven Buetow, AIA

## **Leadership Forum Committee**

Amy Meller, AIA  
Tim Guyette, AIA  
Puneet Vedi, AIA

## **Minnesota Design Team Committee**

Katie Kangas, AIA  
Hans Muessig, AIA MN Allied  
Beth Evanson Makhoul, AIA

## **Residential Architecture Committee**

Katharine Leaf, AIA  
Lance Premeau, AIA MN Allied  
Rachel Alexander, Assoc. AIA

## **Technology in Architecture Practice KC**

Adam Wilbrecht, AIA  
Brandon Pike, Assoc. AIA  
Rachel Riopel, AIA

## **Women in Architecture Committee**

Mollie O'Connor, AIA  
Katie Blaisdell, AIA  
Katie Schalow, AIA



## AIA MINNESOTA Historical Financial Trends

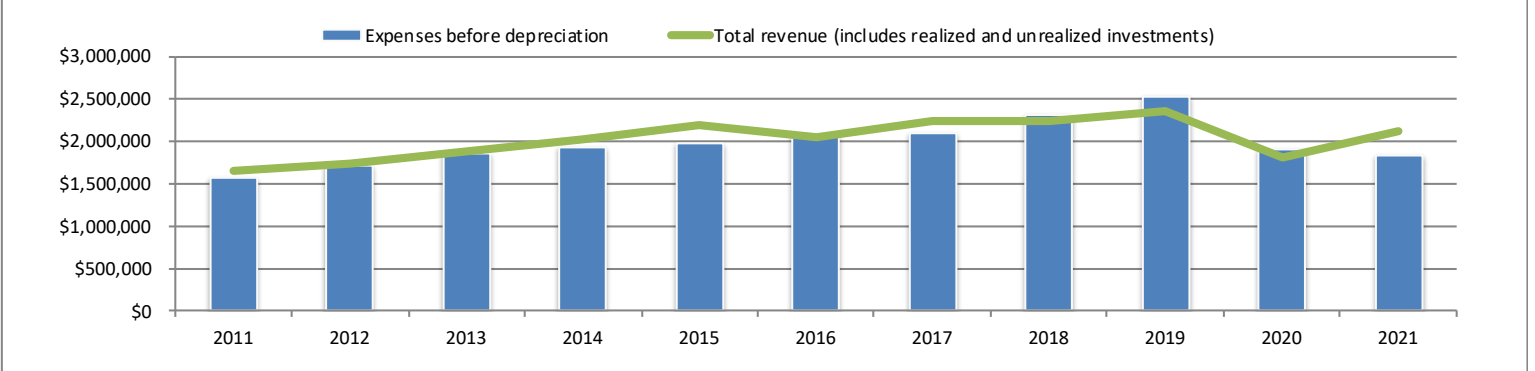
### Summary & Overview

Year End Total Cash	Total Cash + Investments	5-Year Accumulated Surplus (2017 - 2021)	2021 Annual Growth Rate	2021 Net Income
<b>\$ 597,311</b>	<b>\$ 1,062,524</b>	<b>\$ 99,811</b>	<b>33.87%</b>	<b>\$ 240,181</b>

### Financial Activity Summary

Total net income between 2020 and 2021 increased significantly. Expenses in 2021 were fairly similar to those in 2020 as virtual events were sustained as a pandemic precaution. Operating revenue between 2020 and 2021 increased by 14% and investment gains contributed almost 20% to the year end net income balance.

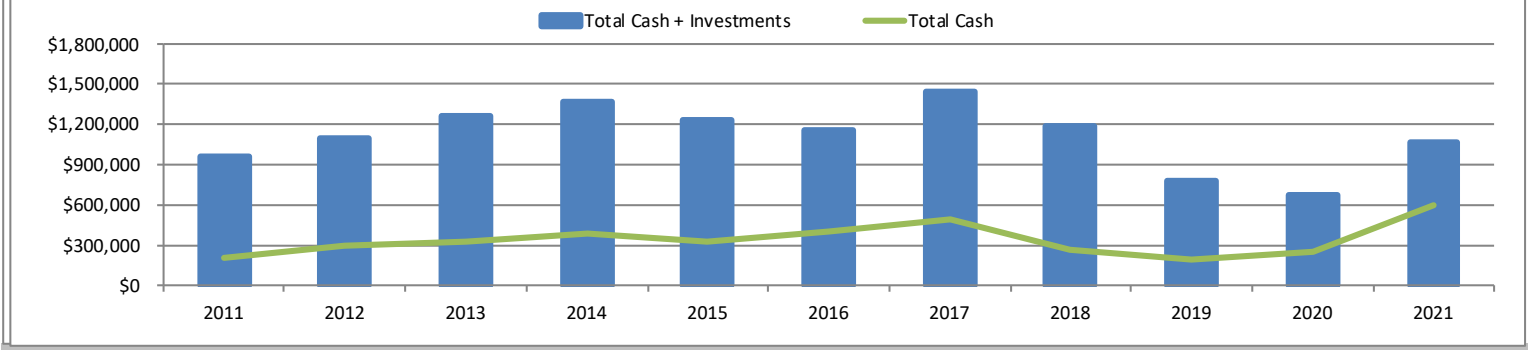
### Total Revenue and Expense Trend



### Financial Health Summary

Federal funding related to the pandemic came through in 2021 and significantly boosted cash assets for the year. Total cash between 2020 and 2021 more than doubled and total assets increased by approximately 27% from the prior year.

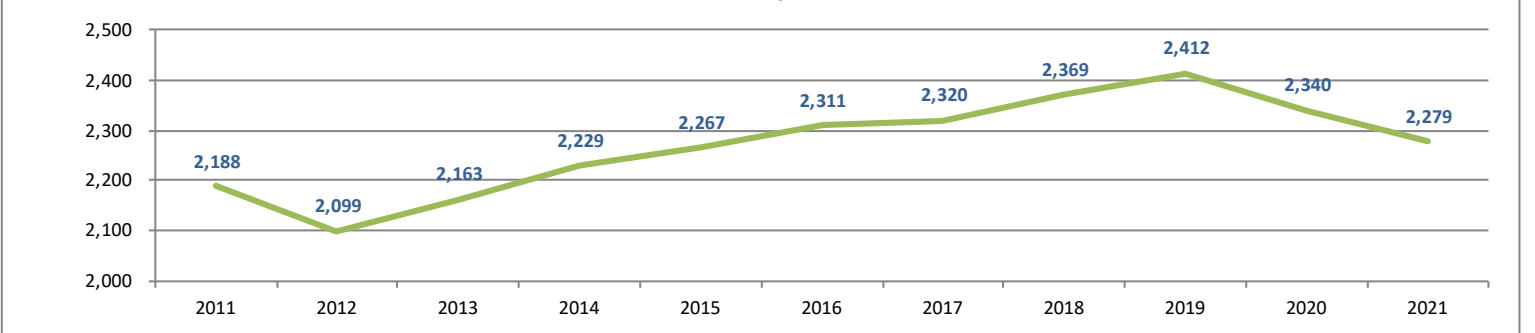
### Months of Cash and Investments Trend



### Membership

The AIA Minnesota membership count decreased from 2020 to 2021 by 61 members. Most registration types remained fairly steady with the exception of Associate members decreasing by 66 and Allied members decreasing the membership count by 13. Emeritus members increased the membership count with 15 additions.

### Membership Trend



## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Anna Pravinata, AIA, NOMA, Past President

### For AIA Minnesota Office in 2023

President-Elect	<b>Amy Kalar, AIA</b> GBBN
Secretary	<b>Constance Chen, AIA</b> Locus Architecture
Treasurer	<b>Sean Higgins, AIA</b> MSR Design
Associate Director	<b>Patricia Mutebi, Assoc. AIA</b> Snow Kreilich

***Sam Olbekson, AIA, Full Circle Indigenous Planning + Design, LLC, by virtue of being elected to the position of President-Elect in 2022 will become your AIA Minnesota President for 2023.***