

Minutes of the March 12, 2025 Government Affairs Committee Meeting

Location

Teleconference via Zoom

Present

Russ Feldman AIA (Co-Chair), Larry Spang AIA (Co-Chair), John Nunnari (AIA MA), Christine Clemons (GAC Sect.) Ed Adleman, Marc Sternick**, Gary Brock, Chris Milford, John Dugger, Kate Bubriski **, Sarah Oakes, Deborah Crossley, Ludmilla Pavlova-Gillham, Miranda D'Oleo, Wandy Pascal and Rand Lemley ****AIA MA Board Members**

Welcome/

Introduction

Russ Feldman and Larry Spang welcomed attendees and opened the meeting. Russ thanked everyone for their continued engagement and emphasized the importance of advancing GAC discussions from basic bill review to broader policy conversation.

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Update

John Nunnari provided a legislative and regulatory update, highlighting bills AIA MA is currently tracking, including HD4331/SB1428 (Historic Districts and Commissions) and updates on interior design licensure discussions. John also noted regulatory activity by BBRS and DOER related to solar panel installations and stretch code implementation.

Updates

Newly Elected Legislators Breakfast: Successful event with high engagement.

Historic Preservation Legislation: AIA MA provided testimony on HD4331/SB1428 and is following up with legislative staff and stakeholders.

Interior Design: Discussions with IIDA and ACEC continue; AIA MA will coordinate next steps on revised bill language.

Discussion

Members discussed ways to shift GAC meetings from detailed bill reading to broader policy discussions. Suggestions included sharing summaries ahead of meetings, creating space for strategic debate, and better integration of feedback from AIA Western MA, Central MA, and BSA. Members supported refining the meeting structure to encourage more proactive engagement and noted the need to diversify speakers and topics.

Members proposed future topics such as state infrastructure funding, climate resilience legislation, and regional planning. Suggestions for guest speakers included representatives from DOER, DCAMM, and MassDOT.

New Business

No new business was raised.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 am

Respectfully Submitted,

John Nunnari
Executive Director, AIA MA

End of Minutes