

Date	April 21, 2022	Time	1200	Location	Video Conference
Purpose	Board Meeting			Prepared By	Faisal Mohsin (FM)
Present	Catherine Clark (CC) Faisal Mohsin (FM) Leyla Hilmi (LH) Catherine Davis (CD) Monica Ortiz (MO)			CC	Clive Copping (CP) Phil Allsopp (PA) Frank Mruk (FR) Anne Fairfax (AF) Sergio Valentini (SV)

Previous Items

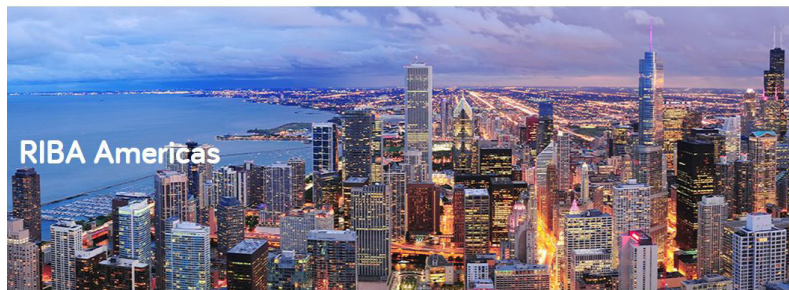
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2.2	PA noted meeting minutes could be stored using GoDaddy account on which website is hosted, without being publicly available. FM to investigate.	04/21/22	FM
3.1	CC to contact Simon Allford to arrange online event to discuss RIBA presidency, US outreach, AHMM's US work and reciprocity. Event scheduled for Thursday, May 26.	N/A	N/A
3.2	FM updated Board on meeting with British American Business Association (BABA) Executive Director LeeAnn Petersen in DC who is keen for the RIBA to join the network and form part of the expanding Defense, Transportation and Infrastructure working group. The annual membership cost is \$800 in exchange for which the RIBA would enjoy access to all BABA members and events, including those at which British Ministers visit to discuss trade policy with US counterparts. CC to review membership arrangements with British American Business Council (BABC) contacts and process for applying for Local Initiative Funding from RIBA London. FM submitted LIF application for membership to DC BABA and forwarded text to remaining Board members for applications in respective regions.	N/A	N/A

New Items

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4.1	FM to arrange webinar test with Jennifer Goldsmith at RIBA in advance of event with Simon Allford on May 26.	04/21/22	N/A
	Postscript: Test arranged for Tuesday, May 17 at 12pm EST. Zoom access details sent to CC and MO.		
4.2	CD noted text on RIBA UK website architecture.com hosting page for US chapters had changed, distancing itself from the RIBA-USA and disavowing it's events and activities:	N/A	N/A

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RIBA Americas Region



The Americas Region supports members based in both North and South America. We champion the profession through our RIBA validated Schools of Architecture across both North and South America.

We offer a wide range of activities and services across this region. We offer peer-support activities, encourage and support students seeking to enter the profession.

RIBA International Council Member, Americas Region – Catherine Davis.

Please note: The charity known as "RIBA USA", which operates independently of RIBA, also runs its own programme of activities at local level. Unless specifically stated by RIBA, these activities are not endorsed by RIBA. RIBA USA has no delegated authority to speak on behalf of RIBA.

This seems at odds with previous updates made to the page (below) and progress made jointly marketing events and collaborating with the RIBA UK:

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RIBA-USA Chapter

RIBA-USA formed in 1997 and represents the professional and educational interests of members residing in the United States of America. It is a member led group that sits in the larger RIBA Americas Region which, itself, supports members in both North and South America.

RIBA-USA is made up of seven operating chapters in the United States: New York, Boston, LA, Philadelphia, Arizona, San Francisco and Washington.

RIBA-USA seeks to:

- promote professional excellence, a diverse membership, a belief in continuing education and the maintenance of professional standards, programmes, conferences and networking
- educate the public about the impact and relevance of the work of RIBA-USA members, the field of architecture and good design, serving society's needs for resilient and sustainable environments which help to improve quality of life
- encourage and support all students seeking to enter the profession

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4.3	CD suggested strongly worded correspondence requesting clarification about the change and it's purpose and that issue will be raised at the next Council meeting. CD to report back at next Board meeting in May.	05/19/22	CD
4.4	FM agreed that change to website should not be ignored but noted that an escalation of this kind may imperil the progress made after several productive months of collaboration with the RIBA UK. FM recommended a doctrine of continued constructive joint marketing and event planning to draw the RIBA-USA and UK closer together thereby intertwining our fortunes. Communications on this matter should be more inquiring than confrontational.	N/A	N/A
4.5	Next Board meeting for May will be on Thursday, May 19 at 12pm EST	N/A	N/A