

**APA Florida  
Annual Business Meeting  
September 7, 2016  
5:00 pm**

**Welcome and Introductions**

Melissa Zornitta, APA Florida President, welcomed attendees at 5:01 pm. Forty-two people were in attendance at the meeting. Carol Rhea, APA President, thanked the audience for attending and congratulated the Chapter on ongoing efforts including legislative policy review and member video testimonials.

**State of the Chapter**

Melissa Zornitta presented the state of the Chapter. In 2015, the annual conference in Hollywood had 704 attendees and 750 attendees are estimated to attend this year's conference in Tampa. In the Fall of 2015, the Young Planners Group led the Great Places Program. Nominations are currently being accepted for 2016. The Public Policy Workshop in Tallahassee had 110 attendees. The Legislative Policy Committee tracked 86 bills. The Chapter held their first webinar, organized by the Emerging Topics Committee, regarding demographics. The Community Planning Assistance Team worked in the West Melbourne community. Four members of the chapter were inducted in the Fellows of AICP. APA Florida was recognized nationally for ongoing communications efforts including the quarterly newsletter and social media outreach. Melissa Zornitta thanked the Executive Committee and staff for all of their great work.

**Presentation of the Proposed 2017 Legislative Program & Policies**

Andre Anderson presented the legislative program. He thanked the Legislative Policy Committee for their dedication. A few minor changes were made to the platform related to Developments of Regional Impact and economic development.

Kim Glas Castro made a motion to approve the legislative program. Brian Teeple seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Presentation of Proposed 2017 Strategic Operational Plan**

Melissa Zornitta presented the Strategic Operational Plan. Many items were accomplished and removed from the plan since last year. New will review the plan in November. A revised plan will be presented at the next annual meeting.

Wiatt Bowers moved to recommend approval of the plan. Kim Glas Castro seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Financial Update and Presentation of Proposed Budget 2017**

Allara Mills Gutcher presented the 2017 budget. APA Florida has a zero based budget. The chapter is fiscally sound.

Barry Wilcox made a motion to recommend approval of the budget. Mindy Heath seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **Recognition of Outgoing Officers**

Melissa Zornitta noted that the officer election was being overseen by national APA and the results would be available early next week. Melissa noted the change in elections timing should be updated in the bylaws. Lorraine Duffy Suarez volunteered to serve on the bylaws committee. Melissa thanked the current officers for their service. A formal recognition of outgoing officers will occur at the Friday brunch.

### **Other Business**

No additional items were discussed.

The meeting was adjourned.