

NOTES OF APA-ID MEETING OF JULY 6, 2022

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Administration

APA will put out the election structure soon.

There is no news yet on the Divisions Council performance awards.

We will need to start working on the Annual Work Plan soon.

Michael has participated in four meetings of the APA international task force. Meetings are confidential. National has little interest in filling the position vacated by Jeff Soule and any consulting similar to APA's previous work in China. Working through GPN, however, will be welcome.

Lyndsey will restart or update the student grants and regional reps programs now that the COVID situation is less constraining.

Ukraine

Lyndsey is currently focusing on an ASME small business conference that will include a session on Ukraine. General Haight is coordinating with USAID on their participation in the conference.

Lyndsey is planning to prepare a white paper or guidelines relating to the social aspects of the relief and rebuilding efforts.

Tim continues to connect with reps of Roskvit (Prosperity), USAID and the State Dept. to get their input on how APA can best contribute to the relief and rebuilding efforts. Tim will try to coordinate those calls with others on the Ukraine team.

Key guidelines include going forward include not rushing the money, coordinating donor efforts, focusing on building the capacity of Ukrainian planners who should lead, and making sure the form of capacity building is effective.

Tim noted that neither Alex nor Prosperity have commented on the San Diego session report yet. (In addition, Alex has pointed out that email is not a popular means of communicating in Ukraine.) Meghan Stromberg has apparently not replied yet about a Ukraine article in Planning magazine.

Michael noted that we will need to go through National on our Ukraine efforts.

Vietnam

Tim encouraged all to participate in the APA-VUPDA webinar on July 27.

The webinar will include 10 attendees each from the two organizations.

Topics will include urban planning and education in the US and Vietnam.

Tim will coordinate with Michael, Jing and Antonella on using the APA-ID webinar platform and advertising the event.