

## 2019 UIA-PHG Annual Meeting Minutes

Date: July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019

Commencement Time: 12:00 pm

Location: Christchurch Art Gallery Auditorium Christchurch New Zealand

### **Chair: Warren Kerr (Australia), Former UIA-PHG Director**

1. Acceptance of 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes held in Paris France on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018
  - a. Accepted
2. Acknowledgement of Appreciation was offered to the following:
  - a. Darryl Carey (New Zealand)
  - b. New Zealand Health Design Council
3. Update on Partnerships:
  - a. Warren Kerr provided an update on recent communications with the World Health Organization (WHO) and the invitation issued for a WHO representative to attend the next meeting of the UIA PHG
  - b. The role of Karin Imoberdorf (Switzerland) and her ongoing work liaising with the World Health Organization (WHO) was acknowledged as was the work of Hans Eggen (Switzerland) her predecessor in undertaking this role.
  - c. Warren Kerr provided an update on the progress made with the International Hospital Federation (IHF) to undertake research on the topic "How the physical planning and design of health facilities can reduce operational costs"
  - d. Warren Kerr also provided an update on the offer received from Roberto Bologna on behalf of TESIS to continue the initiative of Romano Del Nord to support the annual publication of the Seminar proceedings of the UIA PHG
  - e. Although a GUPHA meeting was not organized for the Christchurch Seminar, it was reported that arrangements are being made to have the next GUPHA meeting in conjunction with the UIA PHG Seminar in Rio De Janeiro.
4. Location for Future UIA-PHG Annual Seminars
  - a. Warren Kerr reported that confirmation had now been received for the UIA PHG to meet in Rio De Janeiro Brazil between 21-23 July 2020 in conjunction with the UIA World Congress of Architects being held 19-24 July 2020. In doing so, he acknowledged the contribution of Walkiria Erse (the UIA PHG member from Brazil) in making these arrangements.
  - b. An offer has been received from Philip Patrick Sun who believes that it may be possible to hold the 2021 Seminar at the Texas Medical Centre in the USA
  - c. Warren Kerr also reported that Cliff Harvey believes that it would be possible for a future UIA PHG Seminar to be held in Canada.
  - d. It was also noted that Marc Sansom had invited the UIA PHG to hold the annual Seminar in collaboration with the European Healthcare Design Conference held in London in June each year.

5. UIA PHG Director for 2020-2023

- a. It was noted that nominations were now open for the Director of the UIA PHG for the period 2020 – 2023.
- b. It was noted that a nomination had been received from Ray Pentecost from the USA and that discussions were being held with the UIA regarding the correct protocols to be followed in electing a new Director for the 2020 – 2023 term.

6. Partnership with Texas A&M to undertake role of UIA-PHG Secretariat

- a. Warren Kerr provided an update on the MOU that had been signed with Texas A&M University to provide secretariat services for the UIA PHG.
- b. He indicated that following the Seminar, he would be providing a background briefing to Ray Pentecost on the history and records of the UIA PHG.

7. Liaison with the UIA - An update was provided on the procedural changes initiated by the UIA for all UIA Work Groups, including the following:

- a. All official UIA-PHG members must register or re-register with their official architectural association, and send their associations endorsement of the membership to the UIA;
- b. Official membership is for three years (September 2017- September 2020), at which time all Work Groups and membership will be again reconfirmed by the UIA;
- c. In future, UIA-PHG official membership is not limited to only one member per country, and multiple membership from the same country can now be accepted;

8. New Business

There were no new items of business raised by those present at the meeting.

9. Next Meeting - Warren Kerr invited all members of the UIA PHG to attend the 2020 UIA-PHG Annual Seminar being held between 21-23 July 2020 in partnership with the UIA Triannual Congress in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil.

10. Close - The UIA-PHG Annual Meeting for 2019 was then closed at 12.38 pm.