

SAH Women in Architecture AG Center First BUSINESS MEETING

September 9, 2020, 12:00-1:00 PM CST



INCLUSIVE AGENDA

1. Opening — *Anna Sokolina*, Interim Chair, and *Rebecca Siefert*, Interim Communications Officer

- **Introduction and Welcome** — *Sokolina*
 - This is a historical event, a milestone with a remarkable potential of revising the past and paving the way toward the equitable and just future of our discipline, across borders and cultural divides—an empowering international threshold for the SAH which was established at Harvard University 80 years ago by 25 male historians as an exclusive *Society of American Architectural Historians*.
 - Our leadership is a teamwork, and only if we collaborate as a team—equally representing gender, race, and ethnicity—we create a powerful legacy as individuals. Our Principles: Equity, Integrity, Inclusiveness, Transparency. Our priority—contribute to/participate in SAH programs and initiatives.
 - We are serving the international SAH community, The Mission of the Group is to support the breadth of interests of the SAH members, and signify a platform for wide-ranging inquiry into the projects around women in architecture and design.
 - Our communications routine with SAH is well defined, our SAH liaison is the Second Vice President Carla Yanni.
 - Our timeline—*Sokolina*: initiated this SAH *Women in Architecture* group on December 15, 2019, reached out to the SAH Board and to over 100 peers, on February 14, 2020 submitted the Proposal signed by 7 founding members and supported by 47 members, to the SAH Executive Committee. The creation of the group was announced by the SAH Board on June 10, 2020. To structure and manage our activities and projects, *Sokolina* drafted the Bylaws and designed the group Logo—registration-in-progress with the US Government Copyright Office. As the Interim Lead Team, in collaboration with the SAH Board, *Siefert* and *Sokolina* commenced the base for good functioning of the group, *Willkens* provided support in July.
- **Individual Introduction** — *Nominated Officers*

2. First Elections — *Siefert*

- **Voting took place by unanimous electronic ballot**
 - E-Ballot distribution: August 15, 2020 | Deadline: Sunday Sep 6, 2020
 - Directory: 44 | Respondents: 33=75%
 - Q1 Approve of the Bylaws? –Yes 31=96.88% No 0 Skipped 1 Other 1=3.13%
 - Q2 Nominations/Self-nominations: Chair—The Chair shall serve a term of two years, or until their successor is elected, in line with SAH terms of elected officers, and shall be responsible

- for the management of the Group and for conceiving of and establishing, after consultation with elected AG officers and the SAH Board, basic plans of the Group
- Q3 Nominations/Self-nominations: Associate Chair—The Associate Chair shall serve a term of two years, or until their successor is elected, and shall take on the office of the Chair at the end of their term, to provide continuity and perform all the duties incidental to the management
 - Q4 Nominations/Self-nominations: Advising Chair—The Advising Chair, serving for two years after their term as the Chair ends, or until their successor is elected, shall be available for consultation to the Chair and the Associate Chair
 - Q5 Nominations/Self-nominations: Secretary-Treasurer—The Secretary-Treasurer shall serve for a term of two years, or until their successor is elected, and shall record and distribute the minutes of each meeting and roundtable, be responsible for maintenance of membership records, and all fiscal matters if such occur
 - Q6 Nominations/Self-nominations: Associate Secretary-Treasurer—The Associate Secretary-Treasurer shall serve for a term of two years, or until their successor is elected, and shall assist the Secretary-Treasurer
 - Q7 Nominations/Self-nominations: Communications Officer—The Communications Officer shall serve for a term of two years, or until their successor is elected, and shall communicate official business, edit and post news items on the website, maintain and moderate the group’s communication platforms, and help develop online resources relevant to SAH WiA AG membership
 - Q8 Nominations/Self-Nominations: Associate Communications Officer—The Associate Communications Officer shall serve for a term of two years, or until their successor is elected, and shall assist the Communications Office
 - Q9 Nominations/Self-Nominations: Web Administrator—The Web Administrator shall serve for a term of two years, or until their successor is elected, and shall be assigned with supporting the Group’s online presence, i.e., <https://sah.hcommons.org> and function of relevant sites, in collaboration with WiA Communications Officer and SAH Director of Communications
 - Q10 Nominations/Self-Nominations: Associate Web Administrator—The Associate Web Administrator shall serve for a term of two years, or until their successor is elected, and shall assist the Web Administrator

- Structure of the elected Center

Chair: *Anna Sokolina* <https://dna.bwaf.org/architect/sokolina-anna-p>

Associate Chairs: *Shelley E. Roff* <http://cacp.utsa.edu/faculty-and-staff/shelley-roff> and *Kathryn E. O’Rourke* <https://inside.trinity.edu/directory/korourke>

Advising Chair: *Annmarie Adams* <https://www.mcgill.ca/ssom/staff/annmarie-adams>

Secretary-Treasurer: *Julia Walker*

<https://www.binghamton.edu/art-history/people/profile.html?id=walkerj>

Associate Secretary-Treasurer: *Margaret B. Vickery*

<https://www.umass.edu/arthistory/member/margaret-vickery>

Communications Officer: *Danielle S. Willkens* <https://arch.gatech.edu/people/danielle-willkens>

Associate Communications Officer: *Priya Jain*

Web Administrator: *Rebecca Siefert*

https://www.govst.edu/Site_Navigation/Contact/Directory/rsiefert/

Associate Web Administrator: *Franca Trubiano*

3. Guidelines and Online Presence

- **Membership Directory and Listserv**, new members: broadening the SAH base
- **Bylaws and Logo; Communications with the SAH Board**
- **SAH *Women in Architecture* AG: The Commons site and the group forum**
 - o Goals, structure, work-in-progress
 - o **SAH Commons** <https://sah.hcommons.org/>
 - o Comments — *Willkens*
- **SAH *WiA* other platforms** and connections: LinkedIn, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, et al.
- **Group communications**: via the SAH platform; other platforms; Listserv; group e-address

4. Post-Montréal Annual International Conference Virtual Programs, May 3–28, 2021

SAH *WiA* Virtual RT Proposal (in progress)—Tentative title: “SAH *WiA* AG: Creating a *Women in Architecture* Survey Textbook”; Moderators: *Anna Sokolina*, IAWA, and *Rebecca Siefert*, Governors State University; *12 Invited Panelists*; Description attached

5. 2021 Projects: SAH AGs’ and External Collaboration

- **“March 2021: SAH *WiA* AG Celebrates Women’s History Month”**—Wikipedia Edit-A-Thon WIA, BAAF, AIA SV Chapter’s WIA Committee
- **SAH *Women Write Architecture***: SAH Archipedia initiative
- **SAHGB's Women Architectural Historians' Network** (UK)
- **Pratt Institute**, NY—planning a collaborative event in 2021–22

6. Other Business