2019 BAM SPRING BOARD MEETING
BAM Programs & Operations Update

Association Statistics: as of February 28, 2019
- Members: 1,797 (B-555; A-1,212; AF-30)
- Member Employees Statewide: 53,996
- 12 Affiliated Local Associations
- State Dues: $195
- 2019 Legal Action Assessment = $0 assessment

2019 BAM Executive Committee
- Steve Noble – Builder Vice President (Noble Custom Homes / CMBA)
- Howie Zetah – President Elect & Government Affairs (Zetah Construction, Inc. / HBA)
- Gerry Traut – Builder Vice President (Xcel Energy / MMBA)
- Jody Keppers – Associate Vice President (Keppers Design / ABA)
- John McGuine – Treasurer (J & M Consulting / RAB)
- Ron Euteneuer – Secretary (Great Northern Environmental Solutions LLC)
- Terry Hammack – Immediate President & BAM-PAC (Anderson & Hammack Construction / ABA)

2019 NAHB State Representative
- Kurt Welker – Immediate Past President & BAM PAC (Welker Custom Homes / SCBA)

2019 BUILD-PAC Trustee
- Steve Noble (Noble Custom Homes / CMBA) Alt: Joe Weis (Weis Builders / RAB)

OPERATIONS & BUDGET

Budget, Staffing, Government Compliance: BAM’s budget is stable and operating as approved. The reserve drawdown is consistent with the forecast prepared in 2016. The Executive Committee has been discussing the next steps for BAM’s budget and a review of the entire structure is being undertaken. Immediate Past President has convened a group to review BAM’s structure and deliverables. The group includes: Terry Hammack, Mike Paradise, Ben Edwards, Steve Noble, Kal Torkelson, Ron Euteneuer, and Chelle Eliason.

BAM’s website is updated! It has many security enhancements and delivers a much better user experience. The vendor, Hooker & Co., provided BAM’s staff with WordPress training, allowing staff to adjust content, visual media, and widgets, thereby saving BAM website update dollars, while they provide all updates to software, links, and security troubleshooting for a monthly fee. BAM as changed its phone service, providing better equipment, audio quality, and primary user system.

Currently, BAM has two full time staff – Priscilla Conway and Remi Stone. BAM continues to work with its contract lobbying team of Brian Halloran, Andrea Perzichilli, and Larry Redmond of Redmond & Associates, codes consultants Ed VonThoma and Craig Oswell, and accounting and tax compliance support team of Smith Schafer. BAM hired Alicia Brenhaug (a law student) for session-only on an hourly basis to help with regulatory, legislative, and other committee administrative tasks.

ADVOCACY

2019 Legislative Session: The 2019 Day At The Capitol was held on Wednesday, January 16, 2019 in partnership
with our sister organization, the Contractors Association of Minnesota (CAM). Nearly 100 people join us to work proactively with legislators focusing on four topline issues:

- Career development – career counseling in high and middle schools as well as youth apprenticeships
- Housing policy – including housing investment tax credits and a variety of policy initiatives proposed by the 2018 Governor’s Housing Task Force.
- Code Administration & Licensing Enforcement – this will include the re-introduction of the industry supported 2018 legislation (18 bills) and “rider” language in omnibus bills related to construction careers and the contractor recovery fund instructions BAM gave DLI last year.
- Defend the Contractor Recovery Fund from being used to address unlicensed contractor failures.

**2018 Codes:** The 2018 ICC with MN Amendments – aka 2020 or 2021 Minnesota State Building Code – has not yet been published for public comment. As was reported in August and December, two items were pending for additional work – changes to the cantilevered wall foundation provisions (needed to address wind factors) and the federal government’s declaration on the energy code. DLI retracted the proposal that would have impacted the cantilevered wall foundation provision. The federal declaration has not yet been received.

**Legal Issues / Legal Action Committee:** BAM continues to support litigation initiated by the Chamber of Commerce contesting Minneapolis’ paid time off ordinance. This issue is a top line matter for the 2019 Legislature and will be reported on in BAM’s mid-session report and session-end law summary. Currently, there is $361,500 in the Legal Action Fund. The assessment expired at the end of 2018. There is $18,500 in outstanding assessments due by the end of the year. For accounting purposes, BAM wrote off $6,000 in “bad debt” related to the assessment, however, BAM will continue to send statements and accept payments if and when received.

**Political Action**

**BAM-PAC:** BAM-PAC has $11,700 in the bank. An on-going, programmed fundraising campaign began in early 2019 to grow BAM-PAC’s resources.

**BUILD PAC:** NAHB’s BUILD PAC staff is working with Minnesota’s Trustees and BAM staff. Minnesota will need to increase its BUILD PAC fundraising efforts going into the next election cycle.

**Future Events**

**SAVE THESE DATES!**

- The **NAHB Spring Leadership {Board Meeting}** is scheduled for June 4 – 8, 2019 and will be held in Washington D.C.
- The **BAM 2019 Summer Board Meeting** is scheduled for Monday, August 6, 2019 from 1 – 5 p.m. and will be held at St. John’s Abbey Church, St. John’s College, 2900 Abbey Plaza, Collegeville, MN.
- The **BAM 2019 Annual Meeting, Board Meeting, & Holiday Party** is TBD.
- The **NAHB Fall Leadership {Board Meeting}** is scheduled for October 22 – 24, 2019 and will be held in New Orleans, LA.
- The **2020 NAHB International Builders’ Show and IBS Leadership {Board} Meeting** is scheduled for January 21 - 23, 2020 and will be held in Las Vegas.

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