



A true working session of over 40 people gathered to do a complete walk through of all the eight points of the CORA Position Paper. The greeting and an overview was provided by Duo Dickinson and Dennis Wedlick; Michael Griffith, Lindsay Daniel, Jean Rehkamp Larson, Dennis and Duo presented all of the eight Action Points for an open review. Feedback was solicited and writing received.

What was clear from the variety of people who were there (including journalists, professors, working architects and builders) was that these eight Points hit upon central themes of the crisis of our profession; what many feel is a crisis in relevancy and credibility but most assuredly addressing our future usefulness in the context that our profession is at a minimum of 30% unemployment and perhaps another 50% of underemployment.

It is clear that the National AIA is very interested in taking up these issues in the form of their proposed Joint Task Force. But like any other new effort, there needs to be support. All in attendance agreed that any measure of encouragement that could be given to local chapter organizations or national board members would help move the effort forward.

This is a critical part of the process of moving these issues forward. The next step will be the gathering of the Joint Task Force as proposed by President Miller. CORA will keep pushing and we hope you'll join us.