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ANNUAL MEETING

June 8, 2022
11:00am - 12:30pm
Interchurch Center, NYC / Zoom

1. **Welcome by Rev. Dr. Donna Schaper (15 mins)**
    - *Motion to open meeting*
    - *Motion to approve April minutes*

2. **Board of Directors Vote (Jason Labate - 30 mins)**
    - Discuss of the process
    - Presentation of the Nominating Committee's slate
    - Discussion
    - Ballots

3. **FY22 Review + Goals for FY23 (30 mins)**
    - Review FY22
    - Goals for next year

4. **Closing by Rev. Dr. Donna Schaper (15 mins)**
    - Please complete poll on your availability for next year's meetings (Sept 2022 - June 2023)
    - Reminder: Invite colleagues to become Members!
    - *Motion to close meeting*

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2021-22 ANNUAL REVIEW

Programs

Membership

- Officially switched from the "Leadership Committee" to open Membership.

Venuely (Kate)

- Funded by NYCT grant, $120k, 2 years (2021-23). Partnering with Partners for Sacred Places.
- Launching website June 2022.
- Looking for second round funding to support website development, marketing, and hiring program support staff.

Sustainable Solutions for Sacred Sites (Kate & Donna)

- Funded by the Lilly Endowment, 5 years (2021-2025), $1 million. Partnering with Partners for Sacred Places and Hartford International University for Religion and Peace.
- Training occurred: Virtual, Chicago and New Orleans have all had one training.
- Resources being developed for all 45 individual congregations to achieve their adaptive reuse projects.
- Hired: Program Consultant to manage program, 5 Coaches (one for each cohort).

Partnership for Faith-Based Affordable Housing and Community Development (Kevin)

- Funded by Trinity Church Wall Street, 200k (yearly funding). Partnering with NYSCOC, IAHH and IAHC.

Public Events

1. Introduction to Venuely: Share your space now! (June 2022)
2. Before You Sign... (May 2022)
3. Preparing Your House of Faith for New Environmental Laws: Bringing Your House of Worship Into Compliance and Building a Sustainable Future (March 2022)
4. Preparing Your House of Worship for New Environmental Laws: What They Mean for FBOs and a More Sustainable NYC (March 2022)

5. Who is My Neighbor (January 2022)
6. Accessing Tax Exemptions (English and Urdu) (October 2022)

Membership and Board meetings

1. Board: September 22nd
2. Membership: October 10th
3. Membership: December 8th
4. Board: January 19th
5. Membership: February 9th
6. Board: March 16th
7. Membership: April 27th
8. Membership/Annual Meeting: June 8th
9. Board: June 15th

Advocacy

- Partnered with Mayor Adams and Pastor Monrose to organize Faith-Based Affordable Housing and Development Summit (June 7th)
- Policy Proposal adopted: Office of Faith-Based and Community Partnerships was created under the Mayor's office, one of the seven proposals B&M Membership proposed in its Policy Platform for New York City's Next Mayor

Resources

- Weekly: News and Media Update
- Resource: Community Engagement
- Resource: Introduction to Local Law 97
- Report: Annual Report 2019-2021
- Website: New section "Monetizing your assets"
- Website: Blog continue to be updated
- Website: Case studies continue to be updated



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- Academic course: Pratt Institute's Department of Architecture and Urban Design: Sacred Space course (with Meta Brunzema): 5 case studies working with houses of faith in NYC

Governance

- Awarded 501c3

Grants

- Collegiate - Benevolence Fund
- Lilly Endowment (previously awarded)
- Membership Contributions
- NYCT (previously awarded)
- Trinity Church Wall Street
- UCC - Genesis Fund

FY23 (July 2022 - June 2023)

- *Governance: new fiscal sponsor / transition away from Judson (Kate)*
- *Website - to be launched: Member sections (Kate)*
- *Website - to be launched: Mapping of houses of faith*
- *Venuely: Launch space rental website*
- *Event: Annual Faith-Based Real Property Summit (fall) (Kate & Jason)*
- *Resource: Create a list of experts, vendors and resources for Faith Based Organizations (Members only, to ensure impartiality and accountability)*
- *Resource: Expand available data on houses of faith*
- *Membership: Survey membership on needs (for meetings, resources, and more)*
- *Membership: Focus on diversifying and expanding membership*
- *2023: National Database of organizations involved in adaptive reuse (S4)*
- *2025: Toolkit on Adaptive Reuse (S4)*
- *TBD: Expand revenue to include trainings*