

Meeting Notes

APA- Wisconsin: NE District meeting – June 11, 2015

14 members in attendance

- APA-WI is encouraging the districts to develop more grassroots initiatives & activities

- The NE WAPA District seeks to elevate the awareness & status of good planning practices in the region through a strategic mix of education, public relations, and advocacy.

- Components of the NE District strategy may include:
 - 1) quarterly district newsletter to promote awareness of planning and its impacts in the region;
 - 2) an awards program to recognize excellence in planning across the district;
 - 3) study tours or project tours to promote member learning and celebrate and recognize good projects;
 - 4) workshops/education targeted to area Plan Commissions.
 - 5) sharing of best practices including how to effectively advocate for good planning practices locally;
 - 6) more networking events
 - 7) NE District members should be asked to volunteer for NE District committees in order to accomplish the tasks.

- State membership is available for citizen-planners in your community; one membership will cover all commission or board members, but not paid staff.

- It would be nice to have a regular update on planning and development stories from around the district. It is difficult for NE District membership to know what is happening in the area.

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