

Name: **Amy A. Samuelson**                      **First Term Nominee**

1. Why are you interested in potentially serving in this leadership role on the Board of Directors?

I am proud of our profession and hope to influence its growth and development in Connecticut as a steward of the environment, a protector of historic structures, and an advocate for innovative new designs. I also value my time mentoring emerging architects as they also grow in the profession.

2. What kind of prior experience, if any, do you have serving on a Board of other organizations?

I have not served on another Board, but work in a volunteer capacity for my church. I think my leadership skills, developed as a studio leader at SLAM, are an appropriate precedent for a board position.

3. How many years have you been a member of AIA Connecticut?    **22 years**

4. Have you actively participated in any AIA Connecticut committees? If so, please provide a description of this involvement.

**AIA adjacent: Connecticut School Construction Coalition. Active member and speaker at 3 of the annual seminar presentations.**

5. What are your leadership strengths?

**Strong organization skills, a team builder, and motivator.**

6. What are your passions/interests?

**Relative to architecture, my passions include promoting young people in the profession, encouraging diversity and equity, and being a steward of the environment.**

**Outside of work, I love to spend time with my family traveling, boating, and snowmobiling.**

Members of the Board of Directors have a legal and ethical responsibility to ensure that the organization does the best work possible in pursuit of its goals; believe in the purpose and the mission of the organization; and act responsibly and prudently as its steward.

7. Can you meet all of the following expectations of Board membership?    **Yes**

1. Understand the time commitment of a 1-year term.
2. Attend regular and special meetings of the Board.
3. Serve on one of the committees of AIA Connecticut.
4. Represent the Board to outside organizations.
5. Actively attend events and programs of AIA Connecticut- the AIA CT Conference/ Annual Meeting & one other major event are required.
6. Act as a resource for the Executive Director and the Executive Committee.
7. Consider the potential leadership role as an Officer of the Board's Executive Committee.
8. Help to sustain the overall mission and purpose of AIA Connecticut.