

City Planning & Management

Annual Business Meeting

National Planning Conference 2026 | Thursday, May 28, 2026

Annual Meeting
Agenda

- Introductions & Roll Call
- Division Overview
- Approve 2025 Minutes
- Division Council Update
- Accomplishments and Updates
- Call to Action



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Mission Statement

To support public-sector planners and managers in their roles to build inclusive and sustainable cities and communities by:

- Increasing the understanding of planning as a key element of policy formation and public administration at the local level of government; and
- Promoting the special needs of cities, including planning and management, at the state and national levels of government.

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Elected Leadership

Division Chair



Margaret Brown, AICP, CNU-A

Former Planning Director
Houston, TX

Vice-Chair



Patrice Ruffin Dowdell, Esq., FAICP

Assistant City Manager
City of Brookhaven, GA

Secretary



Bridgett White, AICP

Planning Director
San Antonio, TX

Treasurer



Joshua Clements, AICP

Planning Director
Sun Prairie, WI

Past Chair



Donald Roe, AICP

Planning Director
St. Louis, MO

Committee Chairpersons

Communications



Kristian Maldonado

Land Use Planner
Leesburg, VA

Membership



Cassandra O'Hearn AICP Candidate

Housing Policy
Brooklyn, NY

Programs



Tiffany Luo LEED AP

Resilience Planner
NYC, NY

Chapter Engagement



Pamela O. Nkwantabisah

Assistant Planner
Rockville, MD

Student Ambassador



Ayden McGathey

Graduate Student

Approve Minutes from 2025

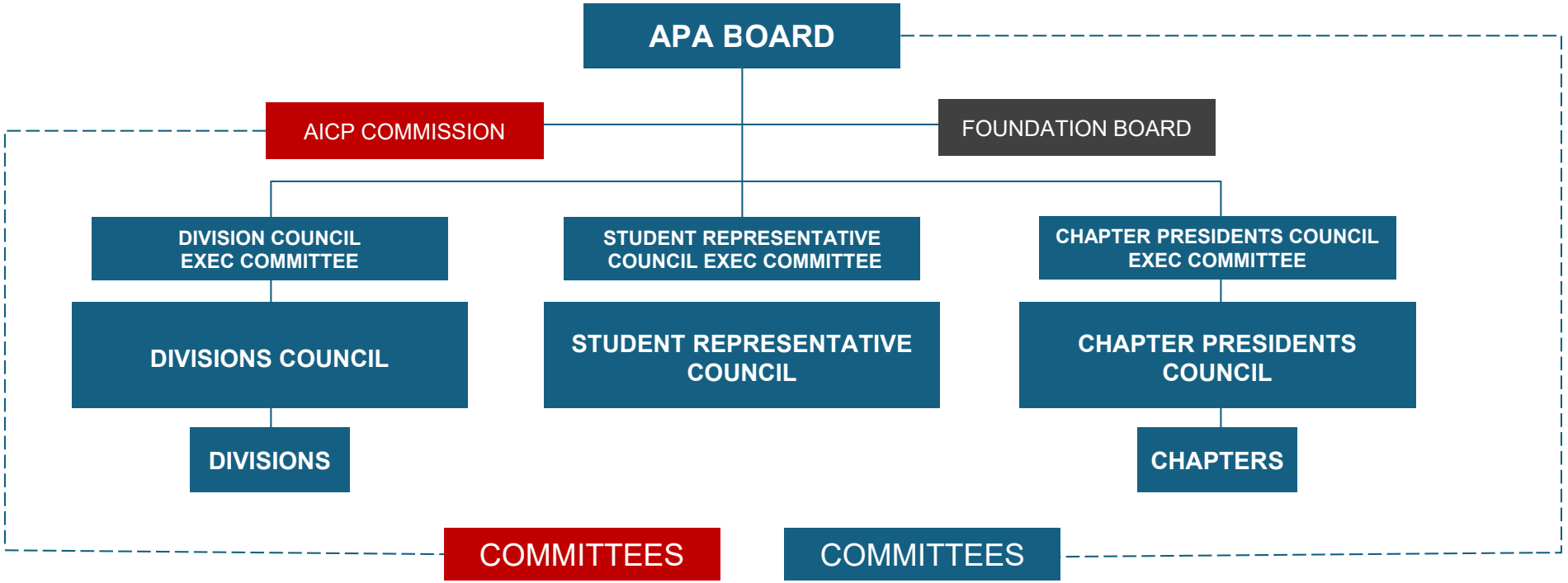
Minutes are in the Chat or can be found here:

2025 Annual Meeting Draft Minutes



CPM Leadership team members at NPC25

How CPM Fits into the Big Picture



Division Council Update



Robert McHaney, AICP CTP
Vice-Chair
Divisions Council Executive Committee

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Work Plan Accomplishments

- Hosted 3rd Annual **Directors' Breakfast at NPC** for nearly 100 Directors and Senior Managers
- Produced four **Directors' Dialogue Series** webinars to provide management tools to up-and-coming leaders
- Distributed **monthly newsletters** to membership
- Completed first Cohort of **Mentorship Program** and began 2nd Cohort
- Distributed more than $7,000 in **Reimbursement Grants** for AICP exam and NPC travel expenses
- Co-hosted **One World Reception** at NPC

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Goals for Next Year

- **Hold an election** for Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer
- **Strengthen the connection** between CPM and State Chapters
- Conduct a **Division-wide survey** to assess member needs
- Increase the amount of **funding we directly provide** our members for AICP exam and NPC travel expenses
- Co-produce the **Planners Day of Service** at NPC27
- Expand our **Mentorship** program
- Grow the **Directors' Breakfast at NPC27** (Houston)

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Directors' Breakfast @ NPC



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Programs Update



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2026 Best Practice

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Directors' Dialogue Webinars



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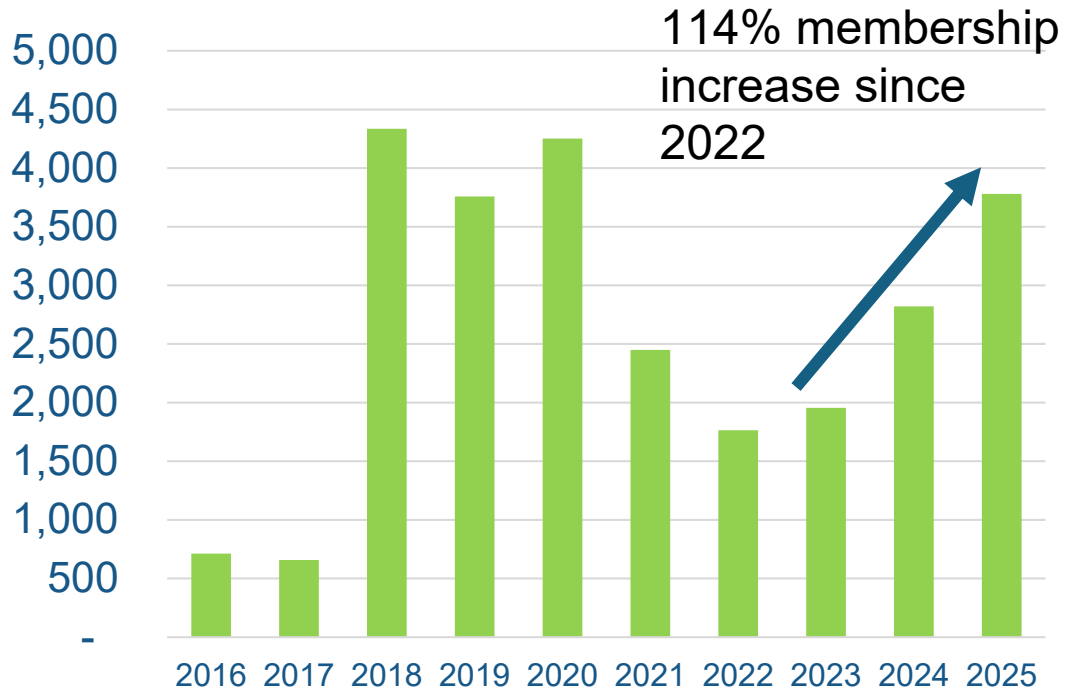
Mentorship Program



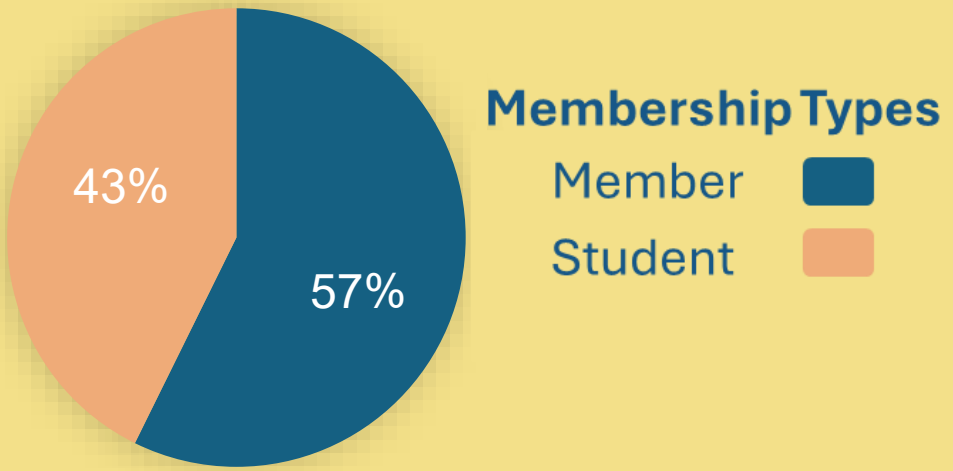
Division Fair with CPM @ NPC26

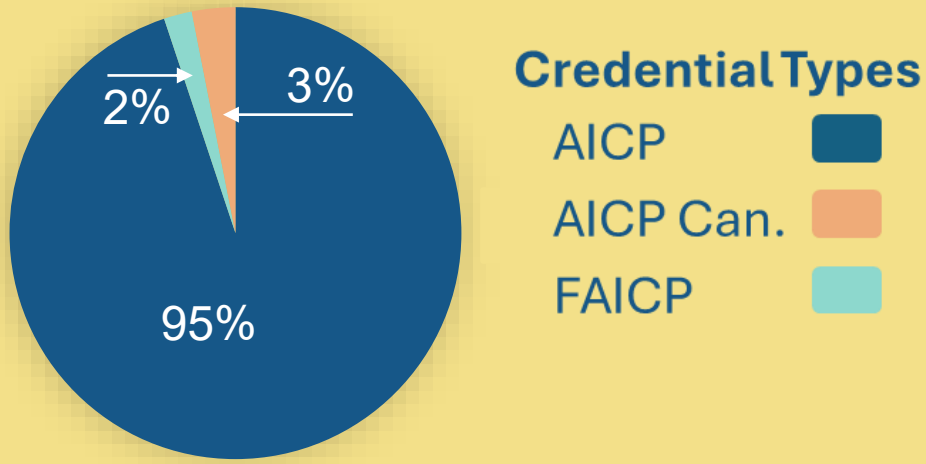


Membership Update



Total Members by Year





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New FAICP members in CPM



Patrice Ruffin Dowdell

Assistant City Manager
Brookhaven, GA



Andrea Ouse

Director of Community Development
West Sacramento, CA



George Proakis

City Manager
Watertown, MA



John Zeanah

Planning Director
Memphis, TN



Tara Paxton

Town Planner
Brick, NJ

Division Membership Benefit

Now, **all APA members** can select one division to be included with their membership! You can opt in to a division of your choice when you join as a new member or as you renew your existing membership.

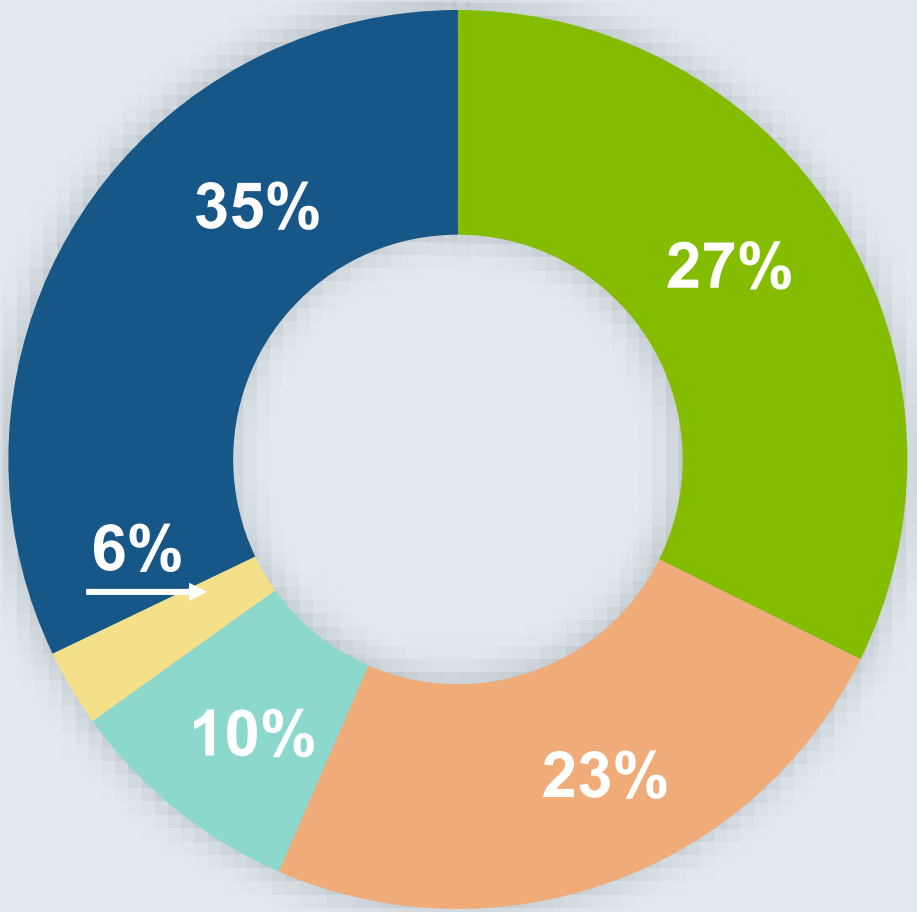
Financial Update

- FY2026 budget was approved by Executive Committee and is posted on website:

Starting Balance	$ 30,443
FY 2025 Revenues	$ 31,725
FY 2025 Expenses	$ 43,127
Ending Balance	$ 19,041

FY 2026 Expenses Detail

Programming	**14,900**
NPC Reception, Directors' Breakfast, Chapter events, Office Supplies	
Direct Awards to Members	**10,000**
AICP testing reimbursement, NPC travel expense reimbursement	
Travel	**4,100**
Mandatory travel expenses for Chair to NPC and Division Council events	
Communications	**2,637**
Mail Chimp, Zoom, Software subscriptions	
APA/DC fees	**11,490**
Mandatory fees charged by APA for Division services	
Total Expenses	**$ 43,127**




Night Cap with CPM @ NPC26
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AICP

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Get involved with CPM

- **Run for an office**: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer
- Assist with our quarterly **Director Dialogue Series**
- **Mentor** an emerging professional (2–6 hrs/month, Jan-June)
- Plan the **Directors' Breakfast** at NPC27
- Help plan the **Planners' Day of Service** at NPC27 in Houston
- Be a **Chapter Ambassador** to your APA Chapter
- **Suggest an activity**!

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Check out our LinkTree

- Register for the next **Directors' Dialogue** in August
- **Volunteer** for a committee!
- Register for **Planners' Day on Capital Hill**
- Read recent **Newsletters**
- **Submit an article** for the next Newsletter.
- Tell us about your **recent promotion**!
- **Apply for grants** (when available)

