

Candidates

Gatsch, Hopkins, Kodet Named VPs

James A. Gatsch, AIA; Eugene Hopkins, FAIA; and Edward J. Kodet Jr, FAIA, will serve as AIA vice presidents in 2002. At yesterday morning's general session, a call for nominations for vice presidential candidates went unanswered; nominations therefore were closed, and the three unopposed candidates were declared winners.

James Gatsch, AIA, balances the management of his 50-person firm, Ford Farewell Mill and Gatsch Architects, Princeton, N.J., with mentoring young professionals and involvement in his community. Currently the New Jersey regional director, Gatsch also has served as cochair of the IDP Coordinating Committee and as a member of the AIA National Finance Committee.



GATSCH

Eugene Hopkins, FAIA, Michigan regional director, currently serves as PIA Executive Committee chair and has been active on the national Historic Resources Committee as well as in his local chapter, AIA Huron Valley, and AIA Michigan, where he served as president,



HOPKINS

vice president, secretary, and treasurer.

Hopkins' career ranges from founding principal of Architects Four Inc., a small firm specializing in historic preservation, to his current position as partner with the SmithGroup, a national, multidiscipline firm with which Architects Four merged in 1999.

Edward Kodet, FAIA, is founder of Kodet Architectural Group Ltd., a 20-person Minneapolis firm. In addition to his current position as North Central States regional director, Kodet has served as regent of the American Architectural Foundation, chair of the Gold Medal and Firm Advisory Jury, and regional director of the Interfaith Forum on Religion, Art, and Architecture. He also held the office of president of AIA Minnesota and AIA Minneapolis. ■■



KODET



Steidl Elected Treasurer

Douglas L. Steidl, FAIA, regional director from the Ohio Valley, who ran unopposed, has been elected treasurer of the AIA. His two-year term

will run from 2002 through 2003.

Steidl is founding principal of Braun & Steidl Architects, Akron and Columbus, Ohio, a general practice of 40 people. He has been active on all levels of the AIA, including AIA Akron and AIA Ohio.

On the national level, Steidl served as a member of the Treasurer's Advisory Committee, Audit Committee, and Finance Committee and proposed that the Institute's budget be tied to AIM objectives.

"I believe in the values of the AIA," Steidl said. "It is the organization that on an international basis envisions and speaks for the preservation of our habitat, a healthier society, cultural enrichment, and beauty." ■■