

Highland Lakes Assoc. of REALTORS®

Board of Directors Meeting April 15, 2008

Call to Order: 9:04AM

Roll Call: Terry Tuteur, Chad Thibodeaux, Pat Burton, Charley Swift, Caryn Paye, Sherry Raymer, Linda Ferguson, Dale Riley, Iva Weston, Rhonda Behrens, Melinda Gray

Absent: Elaine Roberts, Kristy Morris

Minutes: Reviewed

- Motion made to accept Minutes as presented. Motion Seconded and Approved

Financial Report: Reviewed

- Motion made to accept Financial Report as presented. Motioned Seconded and Motion passed to accept financial report as presented

AE Report:

- It was reported that the membership of the association remains steady with approximately 701 total members. Of that 701, approximately 509 are Board and MLS members.
- Linda reported on the AE Conference that she attended in Boston. It was reported that the big topic of discussion was Regional MLS.
- Region 8 Conference was reported on. Topics covered Regional MLS and the new IRS requirements for updated non-profit reports for 990 tax returns. More on this will be covered at the TAR AE Conference in June.

Unfinished Business:

- An email vote to send a letter of support for Joe Stewart as 2010 TAR Sec/Treasurer was administered and accepted by the Board of Directors at an earlier date. HLAoR letter of support for this candidate has been drafted and sent to TAR as requested.
- Progress on the vote presented to the membership on the purchase of property located in the Marble Falls Business Technology Park was discussed.
 - It was reported that the online vote was 130 For and 30 Against.

New Business:

- A land contract with the City of Marble Falls was discussed since the vote passed with approval from the membership.
 - A contract is to be submitted to the City of Marble Falls for the purchase of 2 acres in the amount of \$30K for the future expansion of the Board Office.
 - Motion was made to sign the contract and submit \$1000 Earnest Money to Highland Lakes Title. Seconded and Approved
 - Motion made to close on property on June 1, 2008. Seconded and Approved
- Dale Rodman, a candidate for director of the PEC Board, has requested support funds from HLAoR. It was discussed that HLAoR candidate support funds are only for that of public elected officials and not that of directors/officers of businesses or cooperatives.
 - Request denied
- A bid for lawn care was submitted and discussed at a cost of \$35 per week.
 - Motion was made to have lawn care done every other week for \$35 per visit. Seconded and Approved
- Staff Quarterly Bonuses were discussed and approved

Committee Reports:

- **Education:** Committee Minutes were reviewed and discussed
 - Board inquired about Ethics classes.
 - Caryn to take back to committee for follow up
 - Request was made in the form of a motion to offer free ABR or GRI class as a prize (\$300 value) at the next Membership Luncheon on May 22nd. Seconded and Approved.
- **Membership:** Minutes were reviewed
 - Motion was made to accept new members as presented. Seconded and Approved
- **TREPAC:** Committee minutes were reviewed and discussed
 - Gifts/Prizes for TREPAC Fundraiser were reviewed and discussed
 - Man Pageant was approved by the board as an event for this year's fundraiser
 - Winner prizes were discussed and it was decided to down size from what was being presented.
 - Also, any large ticket items that are being donated are to be submitted in writing from the contributor and presented to the board for approval.
 - Motion made to have Board President visit with committee chairs for possible restructure of overall event (*i.e. Not to give large item prizes, but have these items auctioned as another effort to raise additional money for TREPAC; To ask for volunteers only for the Dunking Booth Challenge; Not to ask for the cost of the food to be reduced; All attendees and volunteers to pay admission*). Motion was Seconded and Approved.
- **MLS:** No meeting was held this month
 - It was discussed that the committee chair may be moving out of state; therefore, the position may be coming open soon.
 - Board suggested to go back to the committee and appoint a new chairperson and to add an additional committee member to fulfill the vacant spot.

- **Governmental Affairs:** Meeting minutes were reviewed and discussed
 - It was reported that Nona Fox, a Realtor® member of HLAoR has filed to run for MFISD School Board and has asked for financial support of her campaign.
 - Recommendation was made to the Board to make a \$1000 donation to Mrs. Fox's campaign.
 - Motion was made to accept the recommendation of the \$1000 donation. Seconded and Approved.

Adjourn:

**Minutes prepared by:
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