

West Hawaii Association of REALTORS®

Board of Directors Meeting – Minutes

February 27, 2019

Call to order (time): 10:02am

Present: Mike Despard, Lance Owens, Julie Wettstein, Andee Bemrose, Karen Ostlie, Cindy Barnett, Ryan Dawson, Sara Layne Pedro, Joreen Knox, Kristin Mooreland, Karin Shaw, Todd Barrett

Absent/Excused: Lisa Folden

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Cindy Barnett

Approval of January 30, 2019 minutes: Approved with requested amendment by Lance Owens to 5.3 Approving PSAC and Grievance Committee members. Karin Shaw checked with NAR's Policy Department and was told that there is nothing contrary to policy to have husband on PSAC and wife on Grievance.

1. Officer Reports

- 1.1. Association Executive (Karin Shaw) – written report
- 1.2. President (Mike Despard) – written report
- 1.3. Past President (Lance Owens) – no report
- 1.4. President-Elect (Andee Bemrose) – no report
- 1.5. Vice President (Kristin Moreland) – no report
- 1.6. Treasurer (Julie Wettstein) – written report
- 1.7. Treasurer-Elect (Ryan Dawson) – no report

2. Direct Committee Reports

- 2.1. Government Affairs (Todd Barrett deferred to Lance Owens) – no written report, but Lance provided an update on the current status of Bill 108/Rule 23 and the upcoming Public Testimony to be held Thursday, February 28, 2019.
- 2.2. Programs (Andee) – written minutes, “Dress in your Decade” to be theme for GMM. Paul Brewbaker to be keynote speaker. CE class with Beth Holiday to follow luncheon.
- 2.3. Education (Sara) – written minutes, Karin commented that the courses, instructors, and locations are all being gradually established.
- 2.4. YPN [Young Professionals Network] (Julie) – YPN goal to have all members donate to RPAC. Julie, Kristin (PR), and Karin to encourage clarification and definition of YPN mission.
- 2.5. Technology/MLS (Kristin) – written minutes, Kristin discussed ways of educating members and elevating tech awareness.
- 2.6. Membership (Joreen) – written minutes, Committee recommended to the Board a complimentary Core A or discount CE to membership as a gesture of appreciation. Andee made motion to offer a Core A CE to membership. Joreen seconded motion. All in favor, motion passed.
- 2.7. Caravan (Karin) – written minutes, Sign-up sheet presented for volunteer coordinators.

- 2.8. Fundraising (Lisa [absent]) – no report, Karin noted Silent Auction success from AMM & ease of Golf Tournament.
- 2.9. P.R. (Kristin) – written minutes, Kristin introduced the WHAR 50th Year Anniversary celebratory items: awareness banner, WHAR history, continue search for WHAR members who may be eligible for Realtor Emeritus status.

3. Old Business

- 3.1. Reconcile Bylaws and Policy & Procedure Manual – After much discussion, Lance made a motion to amend ARTICLE XIII, Section 7 to read, “Appointment of Chairs and Vice Chairs. The President and President-Elect shall appoint the Chairs and Vice Chairs of each committee respectively, unless the Chair is specified elsewhere in these Bylaws or Rules of the Committee. On-year prior experience on a committee is recommended to be eligible to serve as a Chair. In the event that a candidate is not available to serve, the President, with Board approval, may appoint.” Motion Seconded by Karen Ostlie. All in favor, except Julie. Motion passes, Bylaws and Policy & Procedure Manual approved.
- 3.2. Approve New Members – 4 new Members, Elizabeth Gillis with Aloha Realty Group, LLC, Regina O. Alvaro with LUVA, LLC, Julie Cambe with Elite Pacific Properties, and Leo Dodier (secondary) with MacArthur Sotheby’s International were unanimously approved.
- 3.3. HARLA Scholarship Request – Kamalani Duerksen, RB spoke to the Board on behalf of Jonika Macdonald, RS who submitted a request for financial assistance from WHAR to pay for her participation in HARLA. Both Mike and Karin gave a brief history and clarification of the recent history regarding HARLA Scholarship requests. Lance made a motion to table the discussion until the March WHAR BOD Meeting in order to allow for time to discuss budget, as well as availability to all WHAR Members. The Budget and Finance committee will discuss at their March 20, 2019 meeting, and bring recommendations to the Board at the March 27, 2019 meeting. Julie seconded.

4. Next Meeting Date: March 27, 2019 – 10:00AM – 12:00PM, WHAR Conference Room

Adjournment: 12:08PM