

HIGHLAND LAKES ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

Tuesday March 20, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL: Pat Burton, Terry Tuteur, Chad Thibodeaux, Elaine Roberts, Sherry Raymer, Charley Swift, Iva Weston, Caryn Paye, Janet Henley, and Linda Ferguson were present for the meeting.

MINUTES: The minutes from the February meeting were approved with the exception of a misspelling of Caryn Paye and Charley Swift's names.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The financials were reviewed and accepted as presented.

AE REPORT

- Linda reported that we have a total of 693 Board &/or MLS members
- Approximately 453 Board Members
- Legislative Hill Visits – Info included. We have 8 board members going so for the carpool we will probably have to take two vehicles.
- The Region 8 Meeting will be April 12, 2007 in San Marcos.
- Bill Johnston will be hosting a free 3 hr MCE class on March 19, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS

- Task Force on Land and Building Improvements – Member of the task force are Chuck Michie, Modena Despain, Roger Taylor, Rhonda Behrens, Charley Swift, Charlie Castleberry, and Dale Riley.

NEW BUSINESS

- In regards to meeting and procedures the board indicated that we needed clarification as to when we are going to have general membership meetings. A motion was made which reads as follows: **“Annual meeting and election of new officers and directors will be held 2 weeks prior to the date of the annual convention of that year.”** Motion was seconded and accepted. A second motion was made which reads as follow: **“Installation of new officers and directors will be done in a meeting prior to December 10th of each year.”** Motion was seconded and accepted.
- Membership meetings – Pat discussed having meetings with public speakers at a nice restaurant and have members pay for their own lunch. Pat was going to work on and make suggestions on possible sponsors, times, and speakers. It was determined that the end or April wood be good. A motion was made which reads

as follows: **“To add \$500.00 to the budget for the luncheon function that will be held at the end of April.”** Motion was seconded and accepted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- MLS – The MLS committee made numerous board recommendations to add to MLS policies and procedures which are outlined below:
 - 1) **Committee recommends that the “Addendum” have information appropriate for public knowledge. More specifically, listing agent information (name, phone number, email, etc.) should not be allowed in this addendum section. This will be a fineable offense which carries a fine of \$25.00.** – Motion was made seconded and accepted.
 - 2) **Committee recommends that homes in subdivisions with waterfront parks are not to be considered waterfront homes, but homes “with water access” unless they have deeded undivided interest. Waterfront category should be listed as “none”. This will be a finable offense which carries a fine of \$25.00.** – Motion was made seconded and accepted.
 - 3) Rephrasing of use of Supra Key policy – Currently the policy and procedures reads as follows: **“Unauthorized use results in an immediate fine...Use of a MLS lockbox key by a non-subscribing agent anyone other than the key holder”.** Motion was made, seconded, and accepted to modify policy and procedure as written above.
- EDUCATION – See report. This committee needs more members
- MEMBERSHIP – A motion was made, seconded, and accepted to accept the new members.
- PUBLIC RELATIONS – See report. Terry Tuteur would like to see all directors serving as greeters at the chamber mixer.
- TREPAC – No quorum at meeting. Elaine reported that the pavilion was secured and that we need volunteers and auction items. There will be 6 race sponsors for \$750.00 each of which the proceeds will go to the auction items. There will be 5-6 major items in the live auction. There will also be 4 food sponsors at \$500.00 each.
- BYLAWS – The committee has completed the update of the bylaws and submitted to NAR. Next project is to update the policies and procedures.
- TAR Director Report – Iva reported numerous items including that TAR license plates are available for \$30.00; Statewide TREPAC participation is 36% with 1 million dollars being allocated to Issue & Mobilization, which assist local organizations for defending issues that are detrimental to the Real Estate industry; TREC & TAR memberships are down; All inspectors must use TREC forms; Gov. Perry want to sell the lottery of \$16 billion with 10 billion going to a trust for schools, 3 billion to healthcare, and 3 billion to cancer research.

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