
I. CALL TO ORDER

The General Membership Meeting was held on Wednesday, April 12, 2017, at the Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. President Terri Lawson called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the veterans in the audience.

III. ANNOUNCEMENT OF VIP'S

President Lawson announced the members of the audience who play a significant role in the REALTOR® designation.

- Mayor Bert Cottle, City of Wasilla
- 2017 REALTOR® of the Year: Marty Van Diest
- 2017 Affiliate of the Year: Alex MacsLuso
- Emeritus REALTORS®:
 - 2014 Larry Maulden
 - 2015 Deanne Gleason, Helga Larson, & Bob Munford
 - 2016 Anne Curtis
- Real Estate Commission Member Eric Bushnell
- National Association of REALTORS® Director for AAR Paddy Coan
- Alaska Association of REALTORS® (AAR) President Devon Thomas
- AAR Director & AAR Professional Development Chair Suellen Appellof

IV. INTRODUCTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President Lawson asked each member of the audience to introduce themselves.

President Lawson introduced the new Board of Directors for the Valley Board of Realtors.

Terri Lee - Lawson, President
Eric Bushnell, President Elect
Fitzy O'Hare, Past President
Amanda Charles, Secretary
Margaret Billinger, Treasurer
Beth Fread, Treasurer Elect
Samuel Goldman, Director
Bob Bickel, Director
Gretchen Morava, Director
Vacant, Director

Those members absent and excused were:
Melanie Goodwin, Affiliate Director

Staff in Attendance were:
Lizz Rautenkranz, Executive Officer

V. INSTALLATION OF NEW REALTOR® MEMBERS

President Elect Bushnell installed the new REALTOR® Members as follows:

- Aaron Chud, Keller Williams
- Tara Coffey, Jack White Real Estate
- Dana Jansen, Keller Williams
- Farrah Mathis, A to Z Realty
- Lisa Smith, Keller Williams

VI. INSTALLATION OF NEW AFFILIATE MEMBERS

- Tammy Gray, AFLAC Insurance

Affiliate Director Goodwin introduced the new AFFILIATE member, Ms. Gray, AFLAC Insurance

VII. AFFILIATE SPOTLIGHT:

- Breakfast Sponsor – John Brandt, Country Financial

Mr. Brandt spoke briefly regarding the services available at Country Financial.

- Room Sponsor - Wells Fargo Home Mortgage

VIII. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(CLERK'S NOTE: There was no report provided.)

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

President Lawson introduced Devon Thomas, Alaska Association of REALTORS® (AAR) President.

AAR President Thomas:

- spoke to upcoming classes for GRI 200,
- Spoke to the Davis Bacon Scholarship,
- Noted that the upcoming State Convention had limited rooms in Cooper Landing, and
- Commented on HB 115.

Affiliate Director Goodwin:

- Noted that the candy that is raised will be weighed for a new winner,
- Commented that First American Title Company currently has the candy trophy,
- Stated that the Candy Trophy Award will be awarded during the June General Membership Meeting, and
- Informed the membership that Saturday, June 10, is the Colony Days Parade.

X. GUEST SPEAKERS

Panel of New Construction Experts

- Matt Sumner, Vice President of the MatSu Home Builders Association
- Rob Yundt, President of the MatSu Home Builders Association

Ms. Michele Snell introduced the speakers.

Mr. Yundt:

- Commented on SB 45, regarding owner builders versus general contractors,
- Spoke to HB 79, a bill regarding workman's compensation,
- Welcomed input from REALTORS® on any issues that concern them, and
- Provided comments on upcoming new construction in the MatSu Valley over the next two years.

Mr. Sumner:

- Spoke to established builders versus builders who need private funding,
- Opined that the cost of building is related to the stability of the economy, and
- Noted that a recession would negatively affect manufacturers, such as builders.

Discussions continued.

XI. AFFILIATE PRIZE DRAWING

President Lawson led the affiliate prize drawing.

Treasurer Billinger, Jack White Real Estate, won the affiliate prize drawing.

Ms. Holly stinson, McKinley View Real Estate, won a half page ad in the Greatlander Magazine which was awarded by Ms. Leslie Love, Greatlander Magazine.

XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

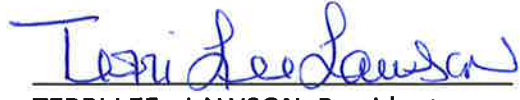
President Lawson turned the floor over to Ms. Suellen Appellof, Century 21 Real Estate, to begin the RPAC fundraising.

Ms. Appellof spoke to the purpose of RPAC and continued on to inform the membership on how they contribute and donate to RPAC.

The RPAC Auction commenced.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The April General Membership Meeting was adjourned at 10:36 a.m.


TERRI LEE - LAWSON, President

ATTEST:


AMANDA CHARLES, Secretary

Minutes adopted: 05/10/2017