

I. CALL TO ORDER

The General Membership Meeting was held on Wednesday, July 12, 2017, at the Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. President Terri Lawson called the meeting to order at 9:17 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Lawson.

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 & Professional Development Chair & NAR RPAC Committee 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 Lawson, President
Margaret Billinger, Treasurer
Beth Fread, Treasurer Elect
Amanda Charles, Secretary
Samuel Goldman, Director
Bob Bickel, Director
Gretchen Morava, Director
Melanie Goodwin, Affiliate Director
Vacant, Director

Those members absent and excused were:

Eric Bushnell, President Elect
Fitzy O'Hare, Past President

Staff in Attendance were:

None

V. INSTALLATION OF NEW REALTOR® MEMBERS

Secretary Charles installed the new REALTOR® Member as follows:

- Sharlie Robillard, Re/Max Dynamic of the Valley

VI. INSTALLATION OF NEW AFFILIATE MEMBERS

- None

VII. MINUTES

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VIII. AFFILIATE SPOTLIGHT

A. Yukon Title – Terry Bryan, President

Mr. Bryan:

- Spoke briefly regarding Yukon Title and their services; and
- Commented on the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Trunk Rd. to Nelson Rd. extension.

B. Home Inspections Plus, Creta Bloxom

Ms. Bloxom:

- Thanked everyone for their business;
- Added that they've been in business since 2001; and
- Informed the audience that they serve clients from Anchorage to the Valley.

IX. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Lawson:

- Commented on the upcoming State Convention as well as the National Association of Realtors® Convention; and
- Mentioned that the Board had not hired a new Executive Officer, but that they would be soon.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- None

X. GUEST SPEAKERS

A. MatSu Regional Medical Center

1. Jared, Kosin, Director of Business Development

Mr. Kosin:

- Provided statistics on population growth rates in the Matanuska Susitna Borough (MSB),
- Noted that it is four times faster than the national average,
- Spoke to the capacities at the hospital, which are maxed out,
- Reported on the \$84 million expansion plan for the hospital,

- Informed the audience that the expansion would include 52 medical beds on the 3rd floor with expansion starting in January,
- Reported that the expansion also included a 40,000 square foot new medical office building which would be located next to the hospital,
- Commented on the need for behavioral health service and noted that there would be 36 additional beds added for this purpose,
- Asked for support from the community with supporting the Certificate of Need with the State of Alaska; and
- Stated that he'd come back and tell the membership more on how they can offer their support when the time is appropriate.

Discussion ensued.

XI. AFFILIATE PRIZE DRAWING

The affiliate prize drawing and a half page ad in the Greatlander Magazine which were awarded by Ms. Leslie Love, Greatlander Magazine.

XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The July General Membership Meeting was adjourned at 10:12 a.m.


TERRI LAWSON, President

ATTEST:


AMANDA CHARLES, Board Secretary

Minutes adopted: 08/09/2017