



**Board of Directors
March 28th
MINUTES**

- I Call to Order:** Angi Trahan, President called the meeting to order.
- II Prayer:** Trahan requested board members bow their heads for a moment of silent prayer and in remembrance of RAA member Lucas Lipari who passed away last week.
- III Roll Call**
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| Angi Trahan-present | Don Perron-absent |
| Lisa Roy Sheppert-present | Angela Seaux-present |
| Allen Duhe-present | Reid Smith-present |
| Harry Fuselier-present | Tim Skinner-present |
| Janine Day-present | Kelly Streva-present |
| Claire Disch-present | Kenneth Trahan-present |
| Lucius Hornsby-present | Jim Welch-absent |
- IV Approval of Board Minutes:** A **MOTION** was made and seconded to Approve the minutes from the February meeting. **MOTION CARRIED**
- V President's Report:**
- 1. Board Member request regarding refund for Keith Blanchard:** Trahan recognized RAA Board member, Kelly Streva who asked the board to consider a refund for RAA Affiliate Member, Keith Blanchard's MLS fines from January.
- A MOTION** was made and seconded to refund Keith Blanchard with Acadiana Home Inspectors one-half of his MLS fines in the amount of \$1,100.
- MOTION FAILED**

2. LPSS Tax Endorsement: Trahan stated at the February meeting the board deferred making a decision on the issue of publicly endorsing the LPSS Tax until this March meeting. Last week RAA held a lunch and learn with Dr. Auguillard to discuss the importance of the tax. The staff emailed everyone who attended the lunch and asked for feedback. This member feedback was distributed to everyone prior to the start of today's meeting.

A MOTION was made and seconded to endorse the LPSS proposed tax proposal which will be on the April 29th ballot. **MOTION CARRIES with 9 votes in the affirmative and 2 opposed.**

The RAA Board then voted by Acclamation vote to unanimously endorse the LPSS ten year, ½ cent tax proposal.

3. LREC Broker/ Agent Meeting: Friday, May 12th at River Oaks: Trahan reported two investigators with LREC visited the RAA office and would like to do a presentation on the new advertising rules as well as present information on their investigative unit. Originally the staff proposed to have this presentation at a Broker Breakfast at the RAA office. Upon further reflection, the staff and the Executive Team decided to open the presentation to the entire membership and moved the location to River Oaks since the RAA can only accommodate 75 people. The Executive team would like the board to consider offering the event free of charge for the membership as a member service. The cost would be approximately \$10 per person for breakfast.

A MOTION was made and seconded to agree pay the cost of the breakfast for any member who attends the event. MOTION CARRIED

4. Louisiana REALTORS®: Trahan thanked all the board members for their recent e-mail vote on splitting the cost of a bus to take members to attend the Louisiana REALTOR® Legislative Meeting in May.

The board confirmed the payment by making a **MOTION which was seconded to agree to paying for one-half of the costs of the bus trip on Tuesday, May 2nd for PAC members. MOTION CARRIED**

Holliday then updated the board on a possible Corporate Tax for Businesses that the Governor was proposing. She will be watching this tax and will keep the board informed as things progress.

VI Committee Reports:

a. **Honor Society:** Trahan reported on the recent activity for the Honor Society.

A MOTION was made and seconded to Approve the minutes from the Honor Society. MOTION CARRIED

VII Treasurer's Report: Harry Fuselier reported the current membership number reflected in today's report was 1408 active members and directed members to the list of new REALTORS® and Affiliate members. The Prudential Account as of February 28th was \$675,680.70.

Fuselier then referred board members to the current financials and asked if there were any questions.

A MOTION was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report. MOTION CARRIED

VIII CEO Report: Susan Holliday referred the board to her attached written report. She personally thanked the board for the opportunity to attend the NAR AEI conference.

A MOTION was made and seconded to accept the CEO report as presented. MOTION CARRIED

IX Upcoming Events: Trahan reviewed with the board the upcoming event for the RAA.

- 1. RAA 70th Anniversary Celebration:** Wednesday, March 29th at Vermillionville from 5-8pm. Food, music and beverages. Event is free for all RAA Members and guests are \$25.
- 2. Acadiana Commercial Outlook:** Thursday, April 6th at LITE. Event is SOLD OUT!

3. **Honor Society Luncheon:** Friday, April 7th at the Petroleum Club. Registration at 11:30. Cost is \$20 for members.
4. **ACPAT Auction:** Wednesday, April 26th at Petroleum Club.
5. **Louisiana REALTORS® Legislative Meetings:** May 2nd-4th in Baton Rouge.
6. **Affiliate Appreciation Luncheon:** Thursday, May 11th at 11:30 am in the RAA Parking Lot

With their being no further business the meeting was adjourned.