

**REALTOR® ASSOCIATION OF ACADIANA**  
**MLS Committee**  
**August 22, 2023**  
**Minutes**

**PRESENT:** Judy Garber, Eloise Gauthier, David Gleason, Jacquelyn Cain Gleason, Joe Hesterly, Elena Ladmirault, Kim Lafleur (via Zoom), Merrie Chris Leger, Brandi McKnight, Claire Schexnayder, Lisa Sheppert, Ken Simeral, and Angi Trahan

**ABSENT:** Helen Thibeaux

**ALSO PRESENT:** Amber Parker, Susan Holliday, and Nikki Wilson

The meeting was called to order by Angi Trahan at 9:00 a.m.

- **Motion to approve the minutes from the June 19, 2023 meeting.** The motion was seconded and passed.

**APPEALS**

1. **Ryan Petticrew MLS Fine Appeal.** Motion to reduce his fine to \$500. Motion was seconded and passed.
2. **Dana Rowell MLS Fine Appeal.** Appeal was denied.
3. **Jon Pry MLS Fine Appeal.** Appeal was denied.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Signing NDA with ROAM MLS.** Motion to include the MLS Committee to the NDA so information can be shared. Motion was seconded and passed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Amel Kates replacement.** Motion for Nikki Wilson to replace Amel Kates on the MLS Committee for the rest of 2023. Motion was seconded and passed.
2. **Request to require 5 photos for Rentals.** Request denied.
3. **Request to report business interest in Realtor Remarks.** Motion to communicate to members the recommendation to add business interest information in Realtor Remarks. We would like the input of the RCA before it is communicated to members. Motion seconded and passed.
4. **Clarification of MLS Rule for Closing Date.** Motion to require a specific closing date on the purchase agreement that matches what is input in MLS. Motion was seconded and passed.
5. **Clarification of the MLS Rule for Expired Listings.** Motion to remove last two sentences on Section 1.10 Expiration of Listings. Correct item B to say "same MLS number". Motion was seconded and passed.

6. **Clarification of MLS Rule for Cancelled Listings.** Motion to correct item B to say “same MLS number and CDOM continues. Any exceptions to the rule require significant changes to the listing and require approval by the MLS Director.” Motion was seconded and passed.
7. **Definition Clarification of Personal Assistant.** Motion to update the definition on page 5 of the MLS Rules & Regulations for Personal Assistant to remove the wording “or licensed assistants who are licensed to the Participants Limited Function Referral Office.” Motion was seconded and passed.
8. **Request to add verbiage to Contingency Addendum.** Original request denied. Motion to change wording under section B to say/add “a MLS”. Motion seconded and passed.
9. **Request to correct timeframe on Contingency Removal Form.** Motion to send to legal council for recommendation on wording. Motion seconded and passed.
10. **Request to change verbiage on Listing Agreement.** Request denied.
11. **Request for Rule regarding Directions in MLS.** Motion to add a rule to MLS Rules & Regulations that “Directions must be legitimate, not suggested ways to obtain said directions (i.e. “Use GPS, Google them, etc.)” Motion seconded and passed.
12. **Request to allow Proposed Construction to be listed in MLS for \$1.** Motion to allow Proposed Construction to be listed in MLS for \$1. Once the listing is closed in MLS, the listing must include the final sales price and follow photo requirements for New Construction. Motion seconded and passed.

#### STAFF UPDATE:

1. **Flex Summit Update.** Amber gave an update regarding what is coming up for Flex MLS.
2. **NAR Leadership Conference & Showing Time Summit.** Susan & Christie Theaux gave an update regarding the NAR Leadership Conference.
3. **Rapattoni Cyber Attack.** Susan & Amber gave an update regarding the Cyber Attack on our software, how it affected our office/members, and our current plan of action.
4. **CRS Tax Data Update.** Susan gave an update regarding the CRS Tax Data integration with Flex MLS.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

Minutes submitted by:

*Amber Lee Parker*

Amber Parker, MLS Director