

Board of Directors September 28th 8:30am/ RAA

MINUTES

- Call to Order: Jacquelyn Cain Gleason, President Called the meeting to order: She noted the following absences: Angela Scott
- II Approval of Board Minutes: A MOTION was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the August Board of Directors Meeting. MOTION CARRIED

III President's Report:

- a. **STR Update:** Susan Holliday CEO reported LCG had put forth 3 separate, competing ordinances regarding Short Term Rentals. These ordinances will be considered at the City Council Meeting on Tuesday, October 3rd @ 5:30pm. Holliday encouraged all board members to attend the meeting and have the REALTOR® Voice heard on STR'S.
- b. **Rapatonni Update**: Holliday reported the staff was still experiencing some aftereffects from the Rapatonni Cyber-attack. She asked for continued patience as staff works to resume 100% normal operations prior to the attack. Additionally, she reported staff was beginning the 2024 Dues billing cycle with the 2024 Dues invoices being sent to the membership on Monday, October 2nd.
- c. **MLS/ ROAM:** It was reported the issue of moving to ROAM would be discussed with the Brokers at the next Broker Meeting which was October 20th.
- d. Candidate Endorsements: The Board made a MOTION which was seconded to endorse RAA Past Presidents, Walter Campbell & Troy Hebert in their respective races for the 2023 election cycle. MOTION CARRIED e. 2023 Award Committee Members: Gleason referred board members to the attached list of committee members for the 2023 Awards Committees.

A MOTION was made and seconded to approve the committees as presented. MOTION CARRIED

f. Louisiana REALTORS® Fall Conference Re-Cap: The Board discussed the recent Louisiana REALTOR® Conference in Shreveport.

IV Treasurer's Report: Ken Simeral Treasurer reported on the RAA current membership count which is 1815. He reminded board members to please make their assigned call to the new members included in the September board packet. He reported the investment account at Prudential was at \$716,464.78 as of August 31st.

Simeral then reviewed with the board the current financial position of RAA Properties and the REALTOR® Association of Acadiana.

As an update on RAA Properties, LLC. Simeral reported Christie House Theaux had successfully negotiated a parking lot agreement for overflow parking with the Landry's. It will be requested that all staff who work at 234 Rue Beauregard park in the overflow lot. RAA Properties would be purchasing lots 213 & 215 Rue Beauregard from Tom Becnel on Friday, September 30th. Finally, Simeral along with Caitlyn Williams has been working on the 2 lease renewals for RAA Properties, Maddie's Footprints and the Down Syndrome of Acadiana.

2024 Annual Budget: The RAA Budget and Finance team met the day prior and would be submitting a copy of the 2024 Budget to the RAA Board of directors at the next board meeting.

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

V Committee Reports:

- a. MLS: Angi Trahan: Trahan reported on the September minutes from the MLS Committee Meeting. After much discussion on the new rules concerning Proposed Construction, a MOTION was made and seconded to approve the minutes as presented with the exception of Item #3 under new Business regarding Proposed Construction and to refer this new policy back to the MLS committee for further discussion. MOTION CARRIED
- **b. YPN:** Keisha LeBlanc: Updated the board on the happenings of the YPN Committee and discussed pertinent dates for the rest of 2023.
- **c. RCA:** Caitlyn Williams: reported on the happenings of the RCA. She noted the group had already begun to plan for the 2024 ACO event.
- VI CEO Report: Susan Holliday presented to the board her self-evaluation for last 12 months as the CEO. The review was favorable and all board members who had any future comments on Holliday's performance as CEO were asked to contact RAA president-Elect, Christie House Theaux.

VII New/ Old Business: Rachel Hebert reported she was working with RAA staff on a partnership with Parish Proud where the RAA would volunteer to do improvements at Girard park this November. More details to come.

VIII Upcoming Events: Jacquelyn Cain Gleason reviewed with board members the upcoming events for the RAA.

- 1. **Joint Industry Luncheon**: Mayoral Forum. Thursday, September 28th at Le Pavilion from 11:30am til 1pm.
- 2. YPN Morning Buzz: Thursday, October 12th @ The Room at Corner Bar. **Topic**: Back to the Basics: Learn your value and how to communicate it with clients. **Guest Speaker** Alissa Jenkins.
- 3. **Gumbo Cook Off**: Wednesday, October 25th at Parc International
- 4. **Joint Industry Luncheon**: Economic Forecast with NAHB Economist and Gary Wagner UL Economist on Thursday, November 9th @ Lepavilion.
- 5. YPN Food Drive: Friday, November 10th @ RAA Office from 11am-3pm
- 6. **Installation of Christie House Theaux**: Thursday, November 30th at Bridge Point Farms 5:30-8:30pm
- 7. **2023 Board and Committee Luncheon host by Jacquie Gleason**: Thursday, December 14th at Park Bistro (407 Brooke Ave.) from 11:30-1:30pm