

***Board of Directors : Meeting Minutes-February 17, 2015***

**I. Call to order**

Brooks Moorhead called to order the scheduled meeting of the Georgia Upstate Lakes Board of REALTORS at 10:00 a.m. on February 17, 2015 at Lavonia Depot in Lavonia, Georgia.

**II. Roll call**

Quorum present with the following board of director members were present; Brooks Moorhead, Betty Powell, Barbara Payne, Donna Bennett, Sheryl Mayo & Shelley Phillips. Board A.E., Michele Dipert, Tom Miller, Jill Botos, BJ Alexander. Not present was Angie Phagan & Maralee Ray.

**III. Financial Report**

Barbara submitted the treasurers report for January. Account balance as of January 31, 2014 is \$21,446.61. Barbara also submitted Year End Recap for 2014. Starting out 1/1/2014 with a balance of \$31,699.15 and ending 12/31/14 with a balance of \$35,212.93. Both treasurers' report was voted and approved.

**IV. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

January's meeting minutes was emailed to all board of directors prior to meeting. These minutes were voted on and approved.

**V. Presidents Report**

Brooks made all BOD aware of the potential harm of using electronic devices during BOD meetings. It's at all attendees' best interest to leave all electronic devices out of meeting. If attendees brings in device, this device could be potential evidence if any issues ever arise therefore device will have to be taken.

All meetings shall be held using Roberts Rules of Order. All votes are unanimous.

No motions to be made that are not on the agenda.

GAR video Conferencing is available but we need a central location. These can be combined with other boards and held together.

GULBOR have two spots for GAR State Directors. Donna is considering taking one of these positions.

Shelley mentioned making a policy for BOD to be reimbursed for expenses to GAR conventions or GULBOR required classes. This will be added to next month's agenda.

Brooks discussed the responses from the survey that recently went out to the board membership. Members would like to see more advertisements to the public about what a REALTOR is and the benefits of using a REALTOR. Possible radio ads on 92.1 (local stations).

**VI. AE's Report**

New badges were given out to the BOD who took new positions.

Currently we have 3 GAR trained facilitators; Betty Powell, Michelle Grafton & Donna Bennett. We would like to add more.

2015 GAR Contracts Class had a profit of \$597.41 and \$145 was raised toward RPAC.

We have 15 members receiving Circle of Excellence Awards.

The last scheduled Code of Ethics class was cancelled due to not enough members to cover the class cost. The New Membership Orientation is being rescheduled for April.

2015 Dues update was given by Michele. As of today, local \$11,471.67 with \$252.27 for PayPal expenses. We have 8 members from 2014 that haven't paid dues as of yet.

**VII. New Business**

We have 4 new members; Stephanie West with Property Source Pros, Chapin Phillips with KW Lanier, Dennis Brunt with Talan Properties & affiliate member Element Funding. All new members were approved.

Next BOD meeting is set for March 11, 2015 at Lavonia Depot at 10:00.

VI. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 11:05 am.

Minutes submitted by: Shelley Phillips, Secretary.