



North Dakota Association of REALTORS®

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Minutes

Government Affairs

July 29, 2020

Zoom Conference Call

Chair Dave Lanpher called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. ND Assoc of Realtors staff, Robyn O’Gorman was asked to take roll call.

NAR Political Field Rep Zack Rubin McCarry, gave a federal legislative update and answered questions from the committee. He reminded everyone to contact him with any questions and concerns.

Minutes of March 25, 2020 were reviewed and approved as presented. MSC

Next 2021 legislative discussion on items of importance to ND Assoc of Realtors:

1. Gloria Palm Connor, Chair of the Property Condition Disclosure TF, gave an update. The focus is on changing from any property sale that a real licensee is part of having to do the property condition statement to all residential property as defined by law in the state of ND have to have a property condition disclosure.

Also adding language for when the disclosure is required “or as otherwise determined by the Purchase Agreement” and defining. Also defines if a real estate licensee is engaged in a sale that they must keep a copy of the disclosure on file.

After discussion, the task force was charged with bringing more info back to the next meeting such
1) what if a bank-owned or trust property needs clarity, FSBO finds their own buyer, privat transaction and is it inclusive of all sales.

M/S/C to present to the Board of Directors for approval subject to some word-smithing and clarification.

Jill updated that we are working on the suspension of the Real Estate Trust Account (RETA) program and will have more info at the next meeting.

Lobbyist Lisa Feldner gave an update and shared an article on the no hunting pilot program. The pilot program seems to be going well and maybe two years yet and another possible bill next session.

She also brought up that last week during the RPAC interviews it was discussed of the possibility, and if it would be useful, to have a REALTOR on the Board of Equalization. After a brief discussion it was consensus to get more info and report back. Tom Beadle did point out that the board is defined in statute so it would take a law to change to add a member even if they were non-voting.

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Other Business:

Jeanne Prom, Executive Director for the ND Real Estate Commission gave an update on their process for administrative rules update process.

It was asked if we were going to discuss Measure 3. Staff stated that we are trying to get both sides to do a presentation and will schedule that meeting when we can and invite this committee and the Board of Directors. More info to come.