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Government Affairs Committee Minutes

Tuesday, June 13, 2023

2:45 pm CT – Missouri Room at Holiday Inn Bismarck, Bismarck, ND

Chair Jamie McLean called the meeting to order at 2:45 pm. He welcomed everyone and introductions were made.

A motion was made to approve the minutes from February 15, 2023. **M/S/C**

A motion was made to ratify the motions from 2023 Legislative Update Calls (see attached). **M/S/C**

The committee purpose was reviewed, which reads: “To monitor all local, state and federal proposed and existing laws and regulations which impact the acquisition, occupancy, use and disposal of real property and the real estate industry and establish policies and positions in support of favorable proposals and in opposition to harmful ones. To recommend policy positions on regulatory and legislative issues to the Board of Directors. To assist state and local RPAC Committees in support of candidates who share the REALTOR® Party position on legislative and regulatory issues. To support Issues Mobilization campaigns promoting REALTOR® Party policy.”

Lobbyist Lisa Feldner and Chair Jamie McLean then gave a final legislative report. Lisa reviewed her final bill summaries for the 2023 Legislative Session and the 2023 NDAR Legislative Scorecard. Jill Beck reminded committee members that this scorecard is based on whether or not a legislator votes with NDAR, and encouraged local boards to keep the NDAR Legislative Scorecard on hand for RPAC Candidate Interviews.

Lisa also shared legislative wins from the 2023 session, including the ban on unfair service agreements, the prevention of a transfer tax being instated, and more. Jamie McLean pointed out the NDREC’s updates regarding Unfair Service Agreements and Wholesaling, which were included in the meeting packet, and encouraged committee members to review them.

Jill Beck then pointed out the Northwest Landowners Association lawsuit against the state of North Dakota, which is a lawsuit regarding what NWLA argues is an unconstitutional taking of lands for carbon storage. She shared that this topic is being monitored by NDAR and there will be updates shared with the committee as the lawsuit progresses.

The committee then discussed possible future legislative issues, including:

- Airbnb (committee consensus is that NDAR have no proposed legislation on the topic)
- Realtors being hired by AMCs, valuations
- Condo documents, access to bylaws (proposed by Josh Boschee)

An Interim Legislative Task Force was created, to be chaired by Greg Larson and include Shawn Ostlie, Kimmy Efta, DeLynn Weishaar, Angela Cymbaluk, and Bill Dean. Mike Swartz and Neal Messer agreed to find task force members from their boards. This task force is charged with investigating these and other topics of possible legislative focus for the 2025 session.

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NAR Manager of RPAC Disbursements Zack Rubin-McCarry then joined the call to give an NAR Federal Update. He shared that Congress has passed legislation to suspend the U.S. debt ceiling until 2025. He also shared that the Interagency Task Force on Property Appraisal and Valuation Equity (PAVE) has several important changes coming that will affect the appraisal industry, and encouraged the committee to read through the details on it in their meeting packets.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Sarah Caldwell, Communications Director

2023 Legislative Session Motions

Friday Legislative Update Call

Friday, January 6, 2023

12:00 pm CST via Zoom Conference Call

A motion was made to remain neutral on HB 1106. **M/S/C**

Friday Legislative Update Call

Friday, January 20, 2023

12:00 pm CST via Zoom Conference Call

There was consensus to remain neutral on HB 1106.

There was consensus to oppose the amendments to HB 1107.

A motion was made to support HB 1124. **M/S/C**

A motion was made to support HB 1234. **M/S/C**

A motion was made to support HB 1310. **M/S/C**

A motion was made to support HB 1267. **M/S/C**

A motion was made to oppose SB 2303. **M/S/C**

A motion was made to support HB 1266. **M/S/C**

A motion was made to oppose SB 2331. **M/S/C**

Friday Legislative Update Call

Friday, February 3, 2023

12:00 pm CST via Zoom Conference Call

There was consensus to remain neutral on SB 2253.

There was consensus to remain neutral on SB 2256.

A motion was made to oppose the amendments to HB 1107. **M/S/C**

A motion was made to support the engrossed version of HB 1107, as passed by the house and without any amendments. **M/S/C**

Friday Legislative Update Call

Friday, March 3, 2023

1:00 pm CST via Zoom Conference Call

A motion was made to oppose the property transfer tax portion of House Concurrent Resolution No. 3024. **M/S/C**

A motion was made to support HB 1133. **M/S/C**

Friday Legislative Update Call

Friday, March 31, 2023

12:00 pm CST via Zoom Conference Call

A motion was made to support HB 1225. **M/S/C**