



New York State Association of REALTORS®, Inc.

**Executive Committee Meeting
Virtual Zoom Meeting
October 5, 2021 – 5:45 pm**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President, David Legaz. A quorum was present.

Members Present

David Legaz, Long Island
Jennifer Vucetic, Greater Capital
John Vernazza, Staten Island
Jennifer Stevenson, St. Lawrence
Andy Burke, Greater Rochester
Dawn Carpenter, Staten Island
Jason Christiana, Greater Capital
Dan Davies, Southern Adirondack
Wayne Feinberg, Northern Adirondack
John Gerace, Greater Rochester
Richard Haggerty, Hudson Gateway
Margaret Hartman, Buffalo Niagara
Crystal Hawkins Syska, Hudson Gateway
Susan Helsinger, Long Island
Steve LaBombard, Clinton County
Tom McCarthy, Long Island
Don Radke, Greater Syracuse
Steve Rose, Otsego Delaware
Mary Alice Ruppert, Long Island
Mike Smith, Greater Rochester
Karissa Thompson, Greater Rochester
miriam treger, Buffalo Niagara

Unexcused Absences

James Walker, NYS Commercial

Staff Present

Duncan MacKenzie, RCE, NYSAR CEO
Anthony Gatto, Esq., NYSAR Director of Legal Services
Libby Rentz, NYSAR Chief Financial Operating Officer
Ali Mann, RCE, NYSAR Director of Governance

President's Report

The minutes of the February 10, 2021 Executive Committee meeting held via Zoom were approved as published.

The minutes of the March 18, 2021 Executive Committee meeting held via Zoom were approved as published.

The minutes of the June 29, 2021 Executive Committee meeting held via Zoom were approved as published.

Budget and Finance Committee

John Vernazza, Chair

Budget & Finance recommends that NYSAR take up to a total of \$255,000 from reserves in 2021, 2022, and 2023 to fund various building and computer upgrades.

A motion was carried to recommend approval.

Organizational Planning Committee

Tom McCarthy, Chair

The Organizational Planning Committee recommends to the Executive Committee and Board of Directors that the NYSAR Opportunity Plan be approved with 2 minor adjustments, a different elevate image and removal of the fax number.

A motion was carried to recommend approval.

Treasurer's Report

John Vernazza, Secretary/Treasurer

Secretary/Treasurer Vernazza reviewed the financial statement for the period ending August 31, 2021.

Nominating Committee

Jennifer Stevenson, Chair

Chair Stevenson stated that the Nominating Committee met in March, and their recommendations were noticed to the Board of Directors and member boards in accordance with the bylaws. Those recommendations are:

President-Elect: John Vernazza, Staten Island
Secretary/Treasurer: Joe Rivellino, Buffalo Niagara

New Business

2022 Budget

A motion was carried to recommend approval of the 2022 budget as presented.

Depository for 2022

A motion was carried to recommend that M&T Bank serve as the depository for the NYSAR checking account for 2022.

Accounting Firm for 2022

A motion was carried to recommend that Wojeski & Company serve as the accounting firm for the association for the year 2022.

Chief Executive Officer for 2022

A motion was carried to recommend that Duncan MacKenzie serve as NYSAR Chief Executive Officer for 2022.

NYSAR Real Estate Services

President Legaz announced the proposed slate of directors to serve a 2022-2024 term on the NYSAR Real Estate Services board. A motion was approved to recommend that Susan Goldy and Linda Page fill the director positions.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned.