



New York State Association of REALTORS®, Inc.



## Housing Opportunities Foundation Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 4, 2021  
Virtual Zoom Meeting  
Starting Time: 9:00 am

The meeting was called to order by President, Leah Caro.

A motion was carried to approve the minutes of the February 2021 and April 2021 board meetings.

The directors received a report on the financial statement ending August 31, 2021.

The directors reviewed the proposed 2022 budget, and a motion was carried to adopt the budget as proposed.

The Nominating Committee's recommendations for 2022 Officers and Directors was presented as follows:

President: Mary Alice Ruppert, Long Island  
Vice President: Sarah Stansbury, Clinton County  
Secretary: Lanie Bittner, Greater Rochester  
Treasurer: Kalen Raynor, Long Island

Directors (2022-2024):  
Jacqie Rose, Otsego Delaware  
Kyle Kelly, Long Island  
Freddy Garcia, Hudson Gateway  
Kira Witherwax, Clinton County  
Yvette Clark Watkins, Long Island

A motion was carried to approve the slate of Directors and Officers as presented.

An update was given on first-time homebuyer grant program noting that application submissions in the summer months were substantially up. A geographical breakdown provided to the board with year-end numbers. Staff will again look into adding a bi-lingual option to the application.

Under fundraising efforts, the board discussed hosting the Champagne & Diamonds again if the meetings are held in-person. A small group of the board will get together towards the end of the year to discuss options.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.