New York State Association of REALTORS®, Inc.

Education Management Committee

Meeting Report

Thursday, September 17, 2026
1:00 - 2:30 p.m. | Tuscarora Cayuga Onondaga

Randy Templeman
Chair

Danielle Mizon
Vice Chair

The Education Management Committee met on September 17, 2026, at Turning Stone Resort.

The committee reviewed education participation for the first half of 2026, with 1,757 enrollments across 38 classes. General continuing education accounted for 1,459 enrollments, while designation and certification programs accounted for 298.

Reports were also presented from the New York State Real Estate Education Foundation and the Global, Resort and Second Home Markets Committee. Additional detail from both will be included in their individual reports.

The Local Board Education Forum reviewed DOS guidance affecting education providers and discussed the opportunities, risks and safeguards surrounding AI in real estate education.

The Faculty Development Sub-Committee reported strong first-half course and instructor evaluations and hosted a faculty development session on practical and ethical uses of AI in CE course design.

The committee also received an update on NAR's new Verified Instructor pathway. Participation is currently voluntary and does not replace existing course-specific instructor approvals. NAR is reviewing NYSAR's Instructor Training Institute for possible equivalency. If ITI is accepted as an equivalent program, instructors completing that pathway would pay a separate $95 verification fee.

The remainder of the meeting focused on the future of NYSAR education. Members provided feedback on course topics and curriculum, delivery formats and access, pricing and affordability, and local-board partnerships and co-sponsorships. The discussion was intended to identify longer-term priorities and practical ideas for NYSAR to explore in 2027.