



## Recent Actions by RVAR's Board of Directors

### *October*

- ✓ Approved the recipients of the firm and individual Affiliate of the Year awards to be presented at the Affiliate & REALTOR® Night.
- ✓ Approved the recommendation of the MLS Work Group to extend the FlexMLS contract for an additional 3 years (beyond the current June, 2018 expiration.) RVAR will work with FlexMLS to evaluate/optimize the FlexMLS system in light of a new available functionality and tools.
- ✓ Approved the 2018 Strategic Plan.
- ✓ Approved support of the following candidates: Delegates Greg Habeeb, Chris Head and Charles Poindexter.

### *September*

- ✓ Approved the 2018 RVAR dues amount of \$270, which is the same as the 2017 amount. The Board also agreed to keep the optional RPAC fair share amount at \$30.
- ✓ Approved the 2018 schedule for RVAR's Board of Directors meetings.
- ✓ Approved a 3-year extension of the zipForms contract.
- ✓ Authorized candidate interviews in the contested elections for Virginia Delegates in the following House Districts: 8th, 9th and 17th.
- ✓ Endorsed Jason Peters for re-election to the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors, with a \$1,500 RPAC contribution.
- ✓ Endorsed Todd Dodson for re-election to the Botetourt County Board of Supervisors, with a \$1,500 RPAC contribution.
- ✓ Approved an annual CEO evaluation process, a new NAR requirement.
- ✓ Approved a \$2,000 contribution to the REALTOR® Relief Fund.
- ✓ Approved a \$20,000 mortgage principal payment.
- ✓ Approved a change to the MLS Rules requiring a photo of the front of the property to be entered at the time the listing is entered into the MLS, though the front view photo is not required to be the primary photo.
- ✓ Approved the following changes to the MLS Input Sheets – implementation of these changes are delayed to allow consideration of additional changes:
  - A fourth option added to the Lockbox field: Private Box See Remarks
  - For Land listings, the following options will be added to the Buildings on Property field: Mobile – SW; Mobile – DW; Other, See Remarks
  - A leased equipment field will be added to the following property types: Residential, Farms, Multi-Family and Land.

## ***August***

- ✓ Approved revisions to the Exclusive Right to Represent Seller Agreement, as recommended by the Standard Forms Committee.
- ✓ Reviewed the candidate applications received to date for openings on the 2018 Board of Directors.
- ✓ Approved the addition of the Boys and Girls Club of Southwest VA to RVAR's list of supported charities. Removed Apple Ridge Farms from RVAR's list of supported charities.

## ***July – No Meeting***

## ***June***

- ✓ Approved a revision to the Inspection Addendum to reference licensed home inspectors'. This revision will take effect July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- ✓ Approved a standardized MLS Listing Exclusion Form, which will take effect August 1<sup>st</sup>.
- ✓ Approved a motion from the Governmental Affairs Committee to propose legislation requiring Management Companies to provide a "Summary" at the front of a POA/COA package. The "Summary" page would be a standardized form covering the basics of what is covered within the package. This proposal will be sent to the Virginia REALTORS® for consideration for their 2018 legislative package.
- ✓ Authorized candidate interviews in the contested elections for Roanoke County and Botetourt County Board of Supervisors.
- ✓ Approved dues refund policies.

## ***May***

- ✓ Agreed to support the concept plan developed for 419 Town Center and advancement of this plan by the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors.
- ✓ Authorized a letter of support to the Virginia REALTORS® Work Group's efforts currently underway to improve/change/increase the competency requirement for new real estate licensees.
- ✓ Approved a revision to RVAR's Operations Manual.
- ✓ Approved revisions to RVAR's Advertising Rules.

## ***April***

- ✓ Approved revisions, as proposed by the Standard Forms Committee, to the Removal of Contingency form and Subject to Sale form.
- ✓ Approved NAR's request for MLS residential data for use in aggregated, statistical information regarding the housing industry.

## ***March***

- ✓ Approved a one-year extension of the FlexMLS contract.
- ✓ Opposed the Virginia REALTORS® expansion of its legal hotline to provide access to agents.

### ***February***

- ✓ Approved appointments to the 2017 MLS Board of Directors.
- ✓ Approved Bylaws changes mandated by NAR.
- ✓ Authorized RVAR's continued participation in the Virginia REALTORS® Statewide Ombudsman Cooperative Program.

### ***January - No Meeting***