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Committee Descriptions



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Audit Committee

Purpose: *Employs a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) to provide for an annual audit, oversees the annual audit process, and reviews internal structure and procedures. Members shall possess general financial literacy; at least one member must have a degree of financial expertise associated with being an executive officer, financial officer, or financial/accounting professional.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair, the Florida Realtors Treasurer, who will serve as a non-voting member, five members who shall possess general financial literacy, and of which at least one member must have a degree of financial expertise associated with being an executive officer, financial officer, or financial/accounting professional, and one Certified Public Accountant who may or may not be a Florida Realtors member. No member of the Finance Committee may serve on the Audit Committee in the same year, except for the Treasurer.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve staggered three year terms.*

Meeting Dates: *Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Dave Garrison*

Building Committee

Purpose: *Monitors the physical condition of the association's building assets in Orlando and Tallahassee and makes recommendations to maintain the properties' condition in a manner to ensure the highest market value.*

Composition: *Chair, Vice Chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Dave Garrison*

Credentials Committee

Purpose: *Shall be charged with screening applications for office to determine if the applicant meets all mandatory requirements for office.*

Composition: *Two past Florida Realtors® presidents willing to serve, one of whom shall be the immediate past president. The most immediate past president shall serve as the chair, and three immediate past district vice presidents. No two members of the Credentials Committee may be from the same district. No district will have district vice presidents appointed in consecutive years. In the event a district vice president or past president is randomly selected from a district that falls under the preclusion above, that member is disqualified, and a new member will be randomly selected. Random rotation is defined as conducting a random drawing through a random number generator.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings & Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Heidi Watzak*

District Vice President Information Exchange

Purpose: *Provides an opportunity for the DVPs to meet and exchange information and ideas.*

Composition: *The automatic appointment of District Vice Presidents. The Vice President will serve as Chairman.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings & Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Mindy Wilson*

Executive Committee

Purpose: *Makes recommendations to the board of directors; has full executive power when the board is not in session.*

Composition: *President, President-elect, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, District Vice Presidents, Immediate Past President, the state presidents of Florida chapters of NAR's councils, institutes, and societies, 10 members including not more than two members from any one Florida Realtors district, the NAR Region 5 Vice President and/or NAR Region 5 Vice President-elect when a member of Florida Realtors, and one association executive of a local board/association shall be appointed annually by the Florida Realtors President to serve as a non-voting liaison to the Executive Committee.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Margy Grant*

Finance Committee

Purpose: *Recommends procedures to properly finance the association, oversees the maintenance of a 3-year budget, manages the association's assets, suggests regulations for the administration of funds, designates the fiduciary depositories for accounts, and performs those duties as defined by the Activity Budget System.*

Composition: *Treasurer, as chair, President, President-elect, Vice President, Immediate past chair, Secretary, One Association Executive; Fifteen members serving three-year staggered terms, and the chair of the Investment and Treasury Management Committee. No member of the Audit Committee may serve on the Finance Committee in the same year, except for the Treasurer.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve staggered three year terms.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Dave Garrison*

Investment & Treasury Management Committee

Purpose: *Oversees investment initiatives and the institutions responsible for handling capital investments and invested reserves, suggests treasury management regulations for the administration of funds.*

Composition: *A chair, from the general board membership, a vice chair, from the general board membership, the immediate past chair, the Florida Realtors Treasurer, three members who along with the chair and vice chair shall possess expertise in market stocks, mutual funds, etc., and shall oversee the investment initiatives and institutions responsible for handling capital investments and reserves to invest.*

Term of Service: *The chair and the members shall serve staggered three year terms. Members may not serve consecutive three-year terms. The immediate past chair shall serve at least a one-year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Marcel Smyk*

Legal Action Fund Committee

Purpose: *Decides in what matters Florida Realtors® should assist in legal actions and in distributing funds to support litigation that has significance to members, to private property rights, or to the real estate profession as a whole. Decisions subject to Executive Committee approval.*

Composition: *The committee shall be comprised of the immediate past president, the president, the president-elect, the vice president, the treasurer and up to two members. The two members shall be appointed by the president. The president shall be the chair of the committee.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Upon the call of the President*

Management Team Liaison: *Margy Grant*

Past Presidents Advisory Council

Purpose: *Gives support, advice and counsel to the Florida Realtors President on issues of concern to the association.*

Composition: *Automatic appointments The automatic appointment of Past Presidents. The twice removed Immediate Past President will serve as Chairman.*

Term of Service: *In perpetuity.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Mindy Wilson*

Strategic Thinking Committee

Purpose: *Ensures implementation of the Strategic Framework via programs and services that enhance member freedom and the ability to conduct their individual businesses successfully with integrity and competency, and through collective action, promote the preservation of property rights.*

Composition: *President, President-elect, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Chief Executive Officer, and 21 members, serving three-year staggered terms or a one year appointment*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve staggered three or one year terms.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Jeff Zipper*

Realtor Advocacy

- Florida Realtors PAC Trustees
- Florida Realtor Party Coordinating Committee
 - Fundraising Subcommittee
 - Major Investors Recognition Subcommittee
 - Participation Subcommittee
- Issues Mobilization Committee
- Legislative Think Tank
 - Appraisal Breakout Group
 - Attainable/Workforce Housing Breakout Group
 - Commercial Legislation Breakout Group
 - Diversity Breakout Group
 - Insurance Breakout Group
 - Land Use, Prop Rights, and Sustainable Dev Breakout Group
 - Legislative and Regulatory Business Issues Breakout Group
 - Legislative and Regulatory Research Breakout Group
 - Property Management Breakout Group
 - Resort and Second Home Specialist Breakout Group
 - State and Local Taxation Breakout Group
- Public Advocacy Advisory Group
- Public Policy Committee
- REALTOR Party Member Involvement Committee (RPMIC)
 - Key Contacts Subcommittee
- Top Brokers Committee

Florida Realtors PAC Trustees

Purpose: *Makes contributions to political candidates, committees, activities consistent with federal and state election laws.*

Composition: *The Trustees shall consist of thirteen Realtor members, and one ex-officio, non-voting member, who shall be the Chief Executive Officer of Florida Realtors. One Trustee shall be appointed from each Florida Realtors District. The President-Elect of the Florida Realtors shall appoint the Vice Chair of the Trustees.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve staggered three year terms. When a trustee's term expires, they must be replaced by another member from their district. Trustees are appointed for three-year terms and may not serve more than six consecutive calendar years.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings & Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Andy Gonzalez*

Florida Realtors Party Coordinating Committee

Purpose: *Tasked with organizing a strategic, coordinated effort to set and monitor the Florida Realtors PAC fundraising, recognition events and participation goals. Further, to have oversight of the Major Investor (MI) recognition subcommittee, Participation subcommittee, and the Fundraising subcommittee. The Committee would also have oversight of the annual PAC auctions, RPAC recognition programs, and BIP grants.*

Composition: *Composed of its subcommittee members (Fundraising, Major Investors Recognition and Participation) and any Florida Realtor member serving on a similar committee at NAR so as to align with our national partners.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Genessa Casanova*

Fundraising Subcommittee

Purpose: *Promote PAC fundraising by encouraging investment from all members; provide and compile reports to PAC-related staff on local events; seek opportunities for engagement, and grant utilization. The subcommittee is also responsible for oversight of biannual, statewide auctions and other PAC related activities in coordination with the Florida Realtors PAC Trustees and local board Realtor PAC Chairs.*

Composition: *Chair, Vice Chair and members to be determined by the president-elect. The members also serve on the Florida Realtor Party Coordinating Committee*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Nathan Greene*

Major Investors Recognition Subcommittee

Purpose: *To recognize and increase REALTOR® participation in all levels of PAC Major Investor Program: Sterling R; Crystal R; Golden R and President's Circle. To set benchmarks for successful recognition programs, and to offer a menu of options for MI's.*

Composition: *Chair, Vice Chair and members to be determined by the president-elect. The members also serve on the Florida Realtor Party Coordinating Committee*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Genessa Casanova*

Participation Subcommittee

Purpose: *To increase overall REALTOR® participation at all levels of the PAC. To review participation and fundraising results of the Broker Involvement Program's grassroots; identify prospective brokers to recruit into the broker program's fundraising campaigns; present brokers with content to discuss "best practices" for raising PAC funds and investing in the profession; create networking opportunities to share ideas, successes, challenges, and plans to achieve RPAC fundraising goals.*

Composition: *Chair, Vice Chair and members to be determined by the president-elect. The members also serve on the Florida Realtor Party Coordinating Committee*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Kevin Besserer*

Issues Mobilization Committee

Purpose: *Responsible for the oversight, and funding decisions for the issues mobilization fund; the funds are available to financially assist local associations on issues they deem to be important in protecting and promoting REALTOR member and/or property owner interests in their market area.*

Composition: *The Committee shall be comprised of up to ten members appointed by the President. Appointees shall be other than members of the Public Advocacy Advisory Group (PAAG). The Chair shall be appointed by the President.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Genessa Casanova*

Legislative Think Tank

Purpose: *A direct opportunity for member grassroots engagement in issues of public policy that are important to Florida Realtors and owners of private property.*

Composition: *Composed of members of all the breakout groups.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Danielle Scoggins*

Appraisal Breakout Group

Purpose: *Provides appraisal members an opportunity to discuss legislative and regulatory issues that affect their business.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Andy Gonzalez*

Attainable/Workforce Housing Breakout Group

Purpose: *Monitors and analyzes current and prospective state housing issues affecting the ability of our state's workforce (i.e. police, firefighters, teachers and nurses) to develop policies on affordable housing in the communities in which they work.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Danielle Scoggins*

Commercial Legislation Breakout Group

Purpose: *Provides commercial practitioners an opportunity to discuss issues that affect their business and ability to do business; serves as a mechanism for input to Florida Realtors regarding the development of legislative initiatives and contract development as they relate to commercial real estate practitioners.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Andrew Rutledge*

Diversity Breakout Group

Purpose: *Develops and recommends policies promoting equal opportunity in housing and diversity within the real estate industry, identifies the concerns and needs of minority members and develops actions to address those needs.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Maria Grulich*

Insurance Breakout Group

Purpose: *Studies the state insurance market and recommends legislative and regulatory strategies to ensure that real property insurance and health insurance is available and affordable.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Trey Goldman*

Land Use, Property Rights, and Sustainable Development Breakout Group

Purpose: *Monitors legislative activities regarding private property rights and smart growth initiatives, provides strategic direction to influence public policy on the development, sale, transfer and value of real estate, such as indoor air quality (e.g., asbestos, radon), hazardous substances, wetlands, and coastal development, lead-based paint, flood plain management, and the availability and protection of water supplies.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Andrew Rutledge*

Legislative and Regulatory Business Issues Breakout Group

Purpose: *Identifies, monitors and analyzes legislative, regulatory and judicial issues that impact REALTORS® and their business operations; recommends legislative, regulatory and judicial strategies to further REALTOR® interests.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Trey Goldman*

Legislative and Regulatory Research Breakout Group

Purpose: *Initiates economic and legislative real estate research that will enable Florida Realtors to serve as a resource to its members, legislators and consumers.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Tom Butler*

Property Management Breakout Group

Purpose: *Provides property management members with an opportunity to discuss legislative and regulatory issues that affect their business.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Danielle Scoggins*

Resort and Second Home Specialist Breakout Group

Purpose: *Informs and educates members who have an interest or expertise in resort real estate property sales, leasing, management and development the opportunity to exchange and gather valuable information.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Andy Gonzalez*

State and Local Taxation Breakout Group

Purpose: *Develops policy on all matters of state taxation affecting real estate; coordinates with the Legislative & Regulatory Business Issues Subcommittee in developing policy on tax matters that affect member's business operations.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Danielle Scoggins*

Public Advocacy Advisory Group

Purpose: *Advises the president on legislative and regulatory issues, including those requiring expenditures from the Advocacy Fund, while the legislation is in session and between the board of directors meetings.*

Composition: *Florida Realtors President, President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Public Policy Committee Chair and Vice Chair, REALTOR Party Member Involvement Committee Chair and Vice Chair, Florida PAC Trustees Chair and Vice Chair, Five members-at-large, all of which should be PAC Major Investors and content experts. One of these at-large members will be a local AE, and another will be a Florida Realtors Past President.*

Term of Service: *The Florida Realtors President, President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Public Policy Committee Chair and Vice Chair, REALTOR Party Member Involvement Committee Chair and Vice Chair, Florida PAC Trustees Chair and Vice Chair shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Upon the call of the President*

Management Team Liaison: *Margy Grant*

Public Policy Committee

Purpose: *Coordinates and refines policy developed on legislative and regulatory issues, discusses, reports, and recommends action on matters of legislation and regulation as they affect the real estate profession, private property rights and other issues it determines proper; recommends Florida Realtors positions on public policy issues.*

Composition: *Chair, Vice Chair and members to be determined by the president-elect*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Danielle Scoggins*

REALTOR Party Member Involvement Committee (RPMIC)

Purpose: *Discuss and make recommendations concerning the program and topics for Great American REALTOR® Days. Create and identify opportunities on how to get the “grassroots” involved politically at all levels of government; this includes Key Contact training and political fundraising. Advance Florida Realtor’s Public Policy initiatives, including but not limited to Calls to Action and legislative priorities.*

Composition: *The composition of this committee shall be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Great American Realtor Days (G.A.R.D.)*

Management Team Liaison: *Genessa Casanova*

Key Contacts Subcommittee

Purpose: *Educates and mobilizes REALTOR® grassroots at all levels (local, state and federal) with the goal of advancing our Associations public policy priorities. Provides input on Great American REALTOR® Days to the GARD Forum as well as suggestions and input regarding their experiences with the NAR Midyear Hill Visits.*

Composition: *The automatic appointment of members serving as a key contact for a legislator. This is handled by the Public Policy office in Tallahassee.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve two year terms in conjunction with the legislative election cycle.*

Meeting Dates: *Great American Realtor Days (G.A.R.D.)*

Management Team Liaison: *Nathan Greene*

Top Brokers Committee

Purpose: *Develops ongoing initiative that identifies the services, tools and strategic relationships that expand and enhance the business interests of our top 50 Designated REALTORS®.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Off Cycle at Broker Summit*

Management Team Liaison: *Trey Goldman*

Programs and Services

- Convention Committee
 - Convention Content & Programming Subcommittee
- Communications Committee
- Emerging Technology Committee
- Professional Development Committee
 - Curriculum Subcommittee
 - Education Directors Subcommittee
 - Faculty Subcommittee
 - Program Development Subcommittee
- Research Advisory Committee

Convention Committee

Purpose: *Primary role is to serve as marketers of the convention and to help increase attendance. Provide member input into content/potential speakers for education sessions in order to present innovative and industry-relevant programming. Committee members will also serve as ambassadors of the association during convention. The ambassador role includes on-site support in the form of greeting attendees, answering questions and taking tickets for special events.*

Composition: *Chair, Vice Chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Jeanie Unterbrink*

Convention Content & Programming Subcommittee

Purpose: *Recommends Annual Conference topics and speakers to the Convention Committee.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Sharon Hoydich*

Communications Committee

Purpose: *Promotes the activities and professional stature of Florida Realtors® and its members, protects and enhances the term “Realtor®,” and publicizes various statewide functions of the association. Manages the Awards Program; promotes participation by Florida Realtors®, boards/associations and members in civic affairs.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Jeff Zipper*

Emerging Technology Committee

Purpose: *Provides insight and product ideas for the next generation of REALTOR-centric technology tools for Florida Realtor members.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Eric Forsman*

Professional Development Committee

Purpose: *Further cooperation between statewide educational programs, plans and executes the Graduate REALTOR® Institute (GRI) and similar programs, assists and supports local boards' educational programming.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Sharon Hoydich*

Curriculum Subcommittee

Purpose: *Reviews curriculum content; approves new curriculum; oversees the CE Express Program and curriculum policies.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Maureen Finch*

Education Directors Subcommittee

Purpose: *Assists Florida Realtors in promoting sound, efficient and progressive education practices, acts as an advisory group from the local education director perspective.*

Composition: *The automatic appointment of local board/association education directors.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve at the discretion of their local board/association.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Miriam Cortes*

Faculty Subcommittee

Purpose: *Assists Florida Realtors in promoting sound, efficient and progressive education practices, acts as an advisory group from the faculty perspective.*

Composition: *The automatic appointment of Florida Realtors faculty members.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve as long as they fulfill the requirements to maintain Florida Realtors® faculty status.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Joann Casiano*

Program Development Subcommittee

Purpose: *Oversees the Instructor Development Program and instructor audition processes for GRI and CE Express; oversees faculty policies and procedures.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Miriam Cortes*

Research Advisory Committee

Purpose: *Recommends products and services to meet member and local association data analysis needs in local markets, as well as recommends state-wide products for research and development. Assists in planning the Florida Real Estate Trends summit.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Brad O'Connor*

Law & Policy

- Forms Content Committee
- Local Board/Association Attorney Council
- MLS Administrators Information Exchange
- Realtor/Attorney Joint Committee

Forms Content Committee

Purpose: *Provides members direct input into the development of Florida Realtors' business forms. Members can suggest modification, creation, deletion or addition of business forms.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Meredith Caruso*

Local Board/Association Attorney Council

Purpose: *Informs and discusses issues and practices relating to the real estate transaction and the cooperative role of attorneys and Realtors®; exchanges and disseminates legal and policy information beneficial to boards/associations.*

Composition: *The automatic appointment of local board/association attorneys.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve at the discretion of their local board/association. The chair and vice chair are elected by the committee.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Marcia Tabak*

MLS Administrators Information Exchange

Purpose: *Offers an opportunity to discuss ideas and issues relating to MLS operations and services.*

Composition: *The automatic appointment of local board/association MLS administrators.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve at the discretion of their local board/association. The chair and vice chair are elected by the committee.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Anne Cockayne*

Realtor/Attorney Joint Committee

Purpose: *Promotes cordial relations between REALTORS® and attorneys; provides the opportunity to review and update the Florida Realtors/BAR Contract for Sale and Purchase and any appropriate riders.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair, eleven Florida Realtors members and eleven Florida Bar attorneys serving staggered two-year terms. The chair and vice chair are elected by the committee.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve staggered two-year terms.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Marcia Tabak*

Member Involvement

- Board Leadership Forum
- Florida NAR Directors Committee
- Leadership Academy Committee
- NAR Strategy Committee
 - NAR Director Mentoring Subcommittee
- YPN Advisory Committee

Board Leadership Forum

Purpose: *Encourages the exchange of ideas and information among leadership from local boards/associations.*

Composition: *The automatic appointment of local board/association elected leadership. (President, President-elect, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary)*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Joel Maxson*

Florida NAR Directors Committee

Purpose: *Allows NAR Directors representing Florida the ability to stay informed about issues at NAR and their impact on Florida Realtors, its members and the state of Florida.*

Composition: *The automatic appointment of all Florida Realtors members serving on the NAR Board of Directors. (Large Board Representative, Large Firm Representative, State Allocated Directors, State President, NAR Committee Liaison, NAR DSA Recipients, Past NAR Presidents, Local Leadership Idea Exchange Council Chair, and Presidential Appointees) The Immediate Past President of Florida Realtors shall serve as the Chair.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year or staggered three year terms.*

Meeting Dates: *Florida Realtors Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings AND NAR Mid Year Legislative Meetings & Annual Convention*

Management Team Liaison: *Heidi Watzak*

Leadership Academy Committee

Purpose: *Interviews and selects candidates for the academy as well as promotes and provides an educational program to enhance the skills of potential leaders.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Dana Bricker*

NAR Strategy Committee

Purpose: *Provides direction and recommends support of NAR issues and candidates for NAR office to the NAR Directors from Florida; when applicable interviews and provides recommendations on NAR Director Candidates to the Board of Directors; contributes to the influence and shaping of policy and the mission of NAR by recommending Florida members for committee service and assisting in their advancement at NAR.*

Composition: *A chair, a vice chair - who shall automatically ascend to chairperson appointed by the vice-president to serve a 3-year term, the president, the president-elect, the vice president, the immediate past president (who also serves as the NAR Directors Committee Chair), nine members, three members of Florida Realtors who have served as either NAR Past Presidents, NAR Past Treasurer or a Distinguished Service Award Recipient to serve 3 year terms and the NAR Region 5 Vice President and/or NAR Region 5 Vice President-Elect when a member of Florida Realtors.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve staggered three year terms.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings & Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Heidi Watzak*

NAR Director Mentoring Program

Purpose: *Strengthen and elevate the level of credibility, respect, influence and effectiveness of our Florida NAR Directors. It is intended to help prepare our Directors to effectively articulate and discuss issues being debated and to knowledgeably help shape policy at the national level that impacts the daily business lives of all NAR members.*

Composition: *Chair, Vice Chair, no more than 10 Mentor and Mentees based on qualified Mentee applicants and available Mentors.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Florida Realtors Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings AND NAR Mid Year Legislative Meetings & Annual Convention*

Management Team Liaison: *Heidi Watzak*

YPN Advisory Committee

Purpose: *Provides direction and strategy in determining the communication, information and education necessary to reach out to young professional members and provide an opportunity for direct input to Florida Realtors.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Lisa Walker*

Real Estate Specialties

- Association Executives Council
 - Governmental Affairs Directors Subcommittee
- Commercial Alliance Committee
- Global Business Committee

Association Executives Council

Purpose: *Assists Florida Realtors in promoting sound, efficient and progressive practices in the administration and management of boards/associations.*

Composition: *The automatic appointment of local board/association association executives.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve at the discretion of their local board/association.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings & Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Anne Cockayne*

Governmental Affairs Directors Subcommittee

Purpose: *Advances the public policy agenda of the real estate profession through education and professional development opportunities for professional staff, networking opportunities, providing advice and input as requested to the Association Executives, task forces, and staff of Florida REALTORS® and providing an avenue for communication between and among the Government Affairs Directors and the Florida REALTORS®*

Composition: *The automatic appointment of local board/association government affairs directors.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term. The chair and vice chair are elected by the committee.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Genessa Casanova*

Commercial Alliance Committee

Purpose: *Provides commercial practitioners an opportunity to discuss issues that affect their business and ability to do business; serves as a mechanism for input to Florida Realtors regarding the development of legislative initiatives and contract development as they relate to commercial real estate practitioners.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Andrew Rutledge*

Global Business Committee

Purpose: *Creates mechanisms to serve the specialized needs of members globally and to position Florida Realtors globally as the most influential and authoritative representative of the Florida real estate business and profession.*

Composition: *Chair, vice chair and members to be determined by the president-elect.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve one year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Maria Grulich*

Trusts

1. Disaster Relief Fund
2. Florida Realtors Education Foundation
3. Home Ownership for All
4. Silent Angels

Disaster Relief Fund

Purpose: *Raise and distributes funds for the members of the Realtor® family who have experienced substantial damage or loss to their residence or office due to a natural disaster.*

Composition: *The Disaster Relief Fund shall have a minimum of five Trustees serving five-year staggered terms with one Trustee from each of the five following regions: Southwest, Southeast, Central, Northeast and Northwest. Any succeeding or additional Trustee, shall be appointed for a single five-year staggered term unless appointed to finish an uncompleted term, in which case they shall complete the balance of the unfinished five-year term. A Trustee shall not be eligible to serve another five-year term until the expiration of one year from the end of their prior term. The successor Trustee must be a Florida Realtors member or Association Executive employed by a member board/association, and such successor Trustee shall have their principal residence in the same region as that of the Trustee they are appointed to succeed. The Chair is elected by the Committee during the August meeting.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve a 5 year term.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings & Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Meredith Caruso*

Florida Realtors Education Foundation

Purpose: *Provide funds, administer, and implement real estate related scholarships.*

Composition: *The Florida Realtors Education Foundation Board of Directors shall have 9 Board of Directors serving 3-year staggered terms. Eight of the Directors must be a Florida Realtors member, or an Association Executive employed by a member board/association. One Director shall not be a Florida Realtors member, or an Association Executive employed by a member board/association. Subsequent appointments for successor Directors shall be made by the Vice President of Florida Realtors. The chair and vice chair are elected by the committee.*

Term of Service: *The members shall serve a three year term. **In the event the term of the Vice Chair expires before ascending to the position of Chair, then that term shall automatically extend by one year.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Janet Valentine*

Home Ownership for All

Purpose: *The “Support Homeownership for All” license plate fund seeks to provide foundations and other groups with resources and support to take the initiative to address affordable housing issues in Florida. Proceeds are used to fund programs that provide and promote affordable housing in Florida.*

Composition: *The Board shall be composed initially of at least seven Directors, and thereafter of not more than 11. It is the intent of the Board that the Directors represent all geographical areas of the state. The Chair is elected by the committee.*

Term of Service: *The initial term for newly elected directors shall be one year. Directors may serve additional terms of up to three years. The number of terms served shall not exceed three consecutive terms. Terms of office shall be staggered so as to provide a system*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings*

Management Team Liaison: *Nathan Greene*

Silent Angels

Purpose: *Provide funds, supplies, and services to individuals who are making a determined effort, yet are financially needy or otherwise distressed.*

Composition: *The Trust shall have two Trustees initially, who shall, no later than January 20, 2003, appoint successor Trustees plus at least one additional from among the past presidents of Florida Realtors. The number of Trustees may be increased or decreased from time to time, but after January 20, 2003, shall never be less than three; all of which together will constitute the Board of Trustees. The President of Florida Realtors shall also serve as a Trustee, ex officio, during their term as President.*

Term of Service: *Each Trustees shall serve a term of three years with the exception of the President of the Donor who shall only serve as a Trustee, ex officio, during their term as President. The Trustees shall annually elect a Chairman, a Vice Chairman and a Secretary.*

Meeting Dates: *Mid-Winter Business Meeting & Convention/Governance Meetings & Off Cycle*

Management Team Liaison: *Allison Cochran*