

Governing Board Meeting, March 20, 2008

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President- Angie Saltzman at 10:30am at the Association of REALTORS Center.

Those in Attendance: Angie Saltzman, Michelle Anderson, Mary Roberts, Julia Roberts, Anne Pray, Julia McDonnell, Suzanne White, Dori Meadows, Russ Ideishi, Evelyn Uscio, Vicki Lind, Nichole Cunning, Judi Harris and Linda Ritter.

MINUTES: The minutes were corrected approved and posted.

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FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Julia Roberts noted that no big changes from last month, carryover from Queen of Hearts is \$1040.00, she also noted she will giving us a balance sheet in the future months.

Russ Ideishi asked about budget corrections showing true income and debits and it was noted that with WCR the account always starts with a zero balance so true figures will only be noted on the end of year P & L

OFFICERS REPORT;

Mary Roberts advised we had six new members this month and that we need to work hard on retention as well as new membership

President Angie Saltzman asked Evelyn Uscio to recap her time at the winter meeting in Prescott. Evelyn noted that this was interesting, informative and she looks forward to attending more meetings. She did networking and has already received communication from a WCR member stating they would refer her business in the future if they had any customers moving her way.

Angie also asked Judi Harris if she could send via e-mail the article Judi wrote for the newsletter and she noted that would be fine.

Angie also brought to our attention the next event will be held in Tucson. This will be fairly expensive with \$150.00 for the convention and \$125.00 per room. This brought us to the subject of the Nancy Charles Spirit Award. This fund will assist in financing others to attend conventions and such without having to deplete there own funds. Judi Harris suggested we put the scholarship form letter on the web site so anyone who wanted to donate to that could just pull the form off the internet. There was also a motion made that the Nancy Charles Spirit Award be changed to the Nancy Charles Spirit Fund The motion was made by Mary Roberts, seconded by Julia Roberts the motion was voted on and carried to change the name. The thought process was to let others know there were not financial prerequisites to earn funds.

President- Elect Michelle Anderson spoke to the board about our filing of the tax returns. She advised that a not for profit organization does not exist, we are considered a business for profit entity. She has met with an accountant Kathy Chalmers and it will be necessary to complete a 1024 form prior to filing taxes.

We will then need to incorporate and request a non-profit status. Kathy is currently working on the corporation status and Michelle understood from Kathy we should be able to accomplish all this for the amount of \$2000.00. Michelle also noted this would cover the years of 2005 and 2006. She further advised that this was not budgeted for so we would need to agree to that. President Saltzman asked for a motion Vicki Lind made the motion that we authorize the expense for filing taxes, corporation paperwork and request for non-profit status, the motion was seconded by Julia it was voted on and carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Nichole Cumming gave an update on the caterers she was working with. She spoke with J.C. of J.C. Caterers. They will attend our next meeting to see what all the catering will entail and see if she would be able to accommodate us. Juicy's has advised they would not entertain working with us without a contract. It was noted that Shugrues were doing a fine job and we are just looking at all the alternatives. It was also noted that Debbie Eddington will need to cut back on her assistance due to personal issues and it was suggested that if Nichole needs any help she would let us know so we can cover any help she may need.

Vicki Lind a Past President brought us up to speed on the WCR Governance Proposal. The single most important issue she thought was that currently the President's of the Chapter all share in the vote on how the WCR is operating and with the new proposal there will be a total of 17 individuals that would the Board of Directors who would vote for the rules & regulations. This would be taking away the original force of WCR which is grooming women for leadership positions. If passed the Local Chapter President's would no longer have a vote and the local chapters would not be represented as they are today. Concern for the local chapters could be denied as Mega Chapters ie: Texas & Florida would have more than one individual representing them, The desire to raise national dues by \$30.00 per year will present a drop a membership unless of course our economic standards have improved by the time this goes into effect.

Dori Meadows announced that Lonnie Stevenson will be our guest speaker at the Business Meeting. She also let us know that next month Shari Dzubak will be presenting Fair Housing at the business meeting. Directly after the business meeting from 1:30 to 4:30 pm Shari will be giving a Fair Housing class. The cost is \$10.00 and raffle tickets will be given for each can or staple brought to the class. This is for the local food drive. Dori also mentioned Gary Kellogg will be speaking at our May meeting.

President Saltzman announced both she and President-Elect Michelle Anderson will not be able to attend the next meeting and Past President Julia McDonnell has agreed to chair the meetings.

WAYS & MEANS:

Fun and Fundraising

Julia Roberts is running Bunco. Russ Ideishi and Evelyn Uscio spoke about the Fashion show that will be held on June 12. Evelyn asked for assistance in Texas hold'em as well as other sponsored events. Russ noted that possibly one or two

events a year could be community orientated in order to enhance business as well as leadership. Dori Meadows advised both her and Cindy Hyde will be looking for a new name for Girl's Just Wanna Have Fun as it will integrated with the public this year. It was also suggested that at each Business Resource Meeting a change jar be placed at the entrance for donations to the Nancy Charles Spirit Fund.

OLD BUSINESS:

D & O Insurance

Angie received a quote for Liability Insurance for our functions and the cost was \$358.00 per year.

Mary Roberts made a motion that Liability Insurance be purchased for the amount of \$358.00 Anne, seconded the motion it was voted and the motion carried.

The next meeting of Governing Board will be on April 10th at 10:30am.

Angie adjourned the meeting at 11:35am.

Secretary,

Anne Pray