

General Membership Meeting Minutes

Fairmont Hotel

San Jose, California

Sunday, Oct 4, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 8:25 AM by Mike Riley, 2009 President.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Barbara Lymberis, member Santa Clara Chapter.

Inspiration was presented by Pauline Martinez, 2009 Santa Clara Chapter President.

President Mike Riley spoke about change and our destiny and challenged us to Commitment. President Mike introduced Pauline Martinez as Expo chair and encouraged members to attend the Expo. Janice Levine, 2009 Hospitality chair was introduced and thanked for setting up our President's reception for tonight.

2009 President Mike Riley introduced the head table: Jamie Saltman, Treasurer; Sherri Souza, Secretary; Barbara Safran, President-Elect; Cecily Tippery, Parliamentarian.

Governors were introduced: Theresa Berenger, Marvelene Weyer, Pam Thompson, Heather Ozur, and Terry Yates.

District Vice-Presidents were introduced: Diane Busch, Liz Callihan, Carole Cuthbert, Sharon Mancillas, Paulette Kolm, Judy Lemarr, JoAnn Levine, and Cecily Tippery.

Past State Presidents in attendance were introduced: Jeri Jorgenson, Jean Tietgen, Bobbie Nelson, Carol Luckenbach, Judy Myers and Sharon Telles.

The 2009 Member of the Year, Carol Luckenbach was introduced.

The 2009 Service Award winner Barbara Lymberis was acknowledged.

All Local Chapter Presidents were asked to stand and be acknowledged, and then introduce themselves and their chapter. There were 27 chapters represented.

Mike recognized our special guests, Nikki Boyd, our 2009 Regional Vice President and Ann DeFries, the 2008 Past National President.

All first time attendees were asked to stand and be acknowledged, and then introduce themselves. There were 17 first time attendees.

President Elect Barbara Safran acknowledged and thanked our 2009 Annual Sponsors. Platinum Sponsors: American Home Shield, Property ID, First American Natural Hazard Disclosure/ JCP, and the Bay East Association of Realtors®.

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President Elect Barbara Safran read the Women's Council of Realtors Mission Statement for the California state chapter.

President Mike Riley discussed the importance of the Candidate's Forum, and the guidelines to be followed by the candidates when speaking to the membership. The candidates that made a presentation to the membership were:

Sherri Souza	Candidate for President-Elect
Jamie Saltman	Candidate for Secretary
Theresa Berenger	Candidate for Treasurer (Running from the floor)
Heather Ozur	Candidate for Treasurer
Diane Busch	Candidate for Governor
Mary Christenson	Candidate for Governor
Carole Cuthbert	Candidate for Governor
JoAnne Levine	Candidate for Governor
Sharon Mancillas	Candidate for Governor
Tammy Newland	Candidate for Governor (Running from the floor)
Kathie Bell	Candidate for DVP
Sharon Bridges	Candidate for DVP
Penny Christensen	Candidate for DVP (Running from the floor)
Wendy Formica	Candidate for DVP
Krista Johnson	Candidate for DVP
Terriann McGowan	Candidate for DVP
David Smadbeck	Candidate for DVP
Cecily Tippery	Candidate for DVP
Jana Walchle	Candidate for DVP (Running from the floor)

Ways and Means Chair Terriann McGowan introduced individual Chapters for their spotlight presentations:

David Smadbeck, LCP	Marin County
Annette Marchain, LCP	San Gabriel Valley
Nancy Gunning, LCP	Yosemite Sierra
Lynn Valintis, LCP	Delta Chapter

Individual committee meetings and a combined President and President-Elect break-out session was conducted.

At our networking lunch, a Region 8 update was presented by Nikki Boyd, our 2009 Regional Vice President.

Meeting was resumed at 1:25 for the Governing Board and General Election meeting.

The Governing Board meeting was called to order by President Mike Riley

Rules of the day were read by Parliamentarian, Cecily Tippery

Roll Call of the Governing Board members was read by Secretary Sherri Souza

Credentials Chair, Clarissa Rullan, reported that we had a quorum. 124 national members were present.

President Mike Riley asked for the approval of the minutes from the California State Women's Council of Realtors meeting held in Sacramento, June 1 and June 2, 2009. The minutes from the Sacramento state meetings were approved as presented, by the Governing Board.

Treasurer Jamie Saltman, presented the 2009 California State Women's Council of Realtors year- to- date Income and Expenses through August 30, 2009. The Governing Board approved the Income and Expense Statement as presented.

The following Committees had no action items. In most cases, the Chair introduced all of their committee members:

By Laws – Diane Busch, Chair
Education Awards – Mary Christenson, Chair
Education and Programs – Wendy Formica, Chair
Membership – Denise Horner, Vice Chair
Strategic Planning – Bobbie Nelson, Chair
Ways and Means – Terriann McGowan, Chair
National Focus – Judy Myers, Vice-Chair

Expo – Pauline Martinez, Chair
Credentials – Clarissa Rullan, Chair
Hospitality – Kathie Bell, Chair
Meeting Planning – Heather Ozur, Chair
Member of the Year – Carol Luckenbach, Chair
New Member Mentoring – Mary Anne Rozsa, Chair
Sponsorship – Barbara Norcross, Vice Chair
Audit – Leslie Walters, Chair
Technology – Liz McCarthy, Chair
Finance and Budget – Linda Ellen Anderson, Chair

President Mike Riley opened the nominations from the floor for (3) Governing Board member positions available for the 2010 Nominating Committee. The nominees for the (3) Governing Board member positions for the 2010 Nominating Committee were: Denise Horner, Gabriela Szneri, Pam Thompson, Judy Myers, Sue Moriki, and Judy LeMarr. The vote was made and counted.

Ways and Means Chair, Terriann McGowan, introduced individual Chapters for their spotlight presentations:

Karine Aslanian, LCP	Verdugo Hills
Krista Johnson, LCP	Placer County
Sharon Bridges, LCP	Inland Valley

President Mike Riley announced that Sue Moriki, Pam Thompson, and Judy LeMarr, were elected by the Governing Board to serve on the 2010 Nominating Committee.

President Mike Riley closed the Governing board meeting and convened the Annual Business Election meeting.

Judy Myers was asked by President Mike Riley to come forward and serve as Parliamentarian during the election of state officers.

Election “Rules of the Day” were presented by President Mike Riley, and approved. Instructions were also given to candidates on how to be nominated from the floor.

Jeri Jorgenson, our Nominating Chair, presented the 2009 slate of officers brought forward by the Nominating Committee:

President	Barbara Safran
President-Elect	Sherri Souza
Secretary	Jamie Saltman
Treasurer	Heather Ozur

Governors Diane Busch
 Mary Christenson
 Carol Cuthbert
 Joann Levine
 Sharon Mancillas

DVP Kathie Bell
 Sharon Bridges
 Nicole Burns
 Wendy Formica
 Krista Johnson
 Terriann McGowan
 David Smadbeck
 Cecily Tippery

Sherri Souza was elected 2010 President Elect by acclimation, as there were no nominees from the floor.

Tammy Newland was nominated from the floor as a candidate for Governor in 2010.

A vote was taken and counted. Governors elected for 2010 were: Joann Levine, Diane Busch, Mary Christenson, Tammy Newland.

A second vote was necessary as Carole Cuthbert and Sharon Mancillas tied during the first vote.

Carole Cuthbert was elected Governor for 2010 on the second ballot.

Jaime Saltman was elected 2010 Secretary by acclimation, as there were no nominees from the floor.

Theresa Berenger was nominated from the floor for the office of 2010 Treasurer.

A vote was taken and counted. Theresa Berenger was elected 2010 Treasurer.

Nominations were taken from the floor for 2010 District Vice President: Penny Christenson, Sharon Mancillas, Jana Walchle, and Marvelene Weyer were nominated from the floor.

A vote was taken and counted. 2010 District Vice Presidents elected were: Wendy Formica, Penny Christenson, Sharon Mancillas, David Smadbeck, Kathie Bell, Sharon Bridges, Terriann McGowan, Cecily Tippery, Nicole Burns, and Jana Walchle.

At the conclusion of the election of state officers, Judy Myers stepped down as Parliamentarian, and Cecily Tippery stepped forward to serve again as Parliamentarian.

Prior to nominating, potential candidates for the 2010 Nominating Committee from the general membership, Cecily Tippery, our Parliamentarian, pointed out that there was a conflict between the Election Rules of the Day and our state bylaws, on who was eligible to be considered from the general membership for the 2010 Nominating Committee. The state bylaws were used to determine who was eligible to be nominated from the general membership as a member of the 2010 Nominating Committee.

Nominations from the floor for the 2010 Nominating Committee from the General Membership were as follows: Yoko Kasai, Janice Levin, Barbara Lymberis, Judy Hawkins, Joanie Marfia, Vickie Campbell, Gabriela Szneri, Liz Callihan, and Lynn Valintis.

A vote was taken and counted. The following members were elected from the general membership to serve on the 2010 Nominating Committee: Yoko Kasai, Vicky Campbell, and Gabriela Szneri. First Alternate will be Janice Levin, Second Alternate will be Barbara Lymberis.

Diane Busch, Chair of the Bylaws committee, brought forth the following motion to the general membership for consideration:

Article III – Dues

Section 1: (A) Effective January 1, 2010 , annual membership dues for Active members shall be \$35.00 , plus national dues, and Local Chapter dues, if applicable.

(B) Effective January 1, 2010 , annual membership dues for National Affiliate members of State Chapter shall be \$35.00 , plus national dues and Local Chapter dues, if applicable.

C) Effective January 1, 2010 , annual membership dues for Non-resident members whose principle place of business is in another state shall be \$35.00 , which are state chapter dues only.

The motion above to change our state bylaws regarding our annual state dues, had been noticed to our state membership in accordance to our state bylaws and approved by the National Women's Council of Realtors Bylaws Committee.

Motion was passed unanimously by the membership.

Election committee volunteers were acknowledged for their service by President Mike Riley.

Meeting was adjourned by Mike Riley, 2009 State President, at 5:40 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Sherri Souza

2009 State Secretary

Attachments: Election Results 2010