

Minutes
CAAR Public Affairs Committee
Wednesday, October 9, 2024, 9:00 am
Hillsdale Conference Center

Roll Call:

Present: Jim Dickerson (Chair), Tony Girard (Vice Chair), Tim Carson, Anita Dunbar
Pam Dent, Matt Hodges, Matthias John, Sue Plaskon, Josh White (Board Liaison)
Tammy Wilt

Staff Present: Neil Williamson

Not Present, Excused: None

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Call to Order: Chair Jim Dickerson called the meeting to order at 9:01.

Antitrust Policy – Neil highlighted the anti-trust policy.

Approval of Minutes – A MOTION was made and properly seconded to approve the August and September minutes. MOTION PASSED

Board of Directors Update 1: Neil provided a highlight of Board recent actions including Showing Time, Strategic Plan and Budget progress

Issue and Reports

RPAC: Pam provided a glowing review of last night's murder mystery dinner. She indicated it was a record crowd for an RPAC event. She also said "Tiffany and the staff were incredible" The consensus of the group was that the event was professionally done and food was excellent. There was a desire to do the same kind of event next year.

Pam indicated we will know much more about the RPAC fundraising after the dues come due on October 31st. She hopes to have a full report at the November meeting.

Locality Reports: Neil provided a brief update on activities in the various municipalities.

Vacation: Neil reported he would be out of the office October 18-25.

Strategic Discussion – Pancakes and Politics Question Brainstorming

The group discussed and honed the following three legislator questions:

- a. Considering this is a short session in an election year, do you believe significant housing legislation will be proposed?
- b. Last session the prohibition of Single Family Only zoning was proposed and failed, do you support this effort statewide?
- c. What can the legislature do to impact the lack of affordable housing both ownership and rental? How might regulatory reform fit into this issue? Are you sponsoring or cosponsoring any housing affordability legislation this session?

Board of Directors Update 2: Josh provided additional context around recent Board recent actions including Showing Time, Strategic Plan and Budget progress

New Business for Future Meetings – Jim asked for any new business items to be added to a future agenda. –

Neil mentioned the strategic plan may consider fewer meetings for the Public Affairs Committee in 2025. If this is the case the committee will need to discuss how to best set the cadence of their meetings.

The December 9 Pancakes and Politics event is the day before the scheduled December Public Affairs Committee meeting. The committee may choose to cancel the December meeting in November meeting.

Next meeting will be November 12th. There being no more business to come before the PAC, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 AM