

2024 VAAR Committees

NAME: _____ EMAIL: _____

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| _____ ADVOCACY/CONSUMER OUTREACH | _____ GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS |
| _____ BANQUET/LUNCHEONS/TREPAC | _____ DEI (Diversity, Equality, Inclusion) |
| _____ BUDGET & FINANCE | _____ TECHNOLOGY/WEBSITE |
| _____ BYLAWS/POLICIES & PROCEDURES | _____ EDUCATION/ORIENTATION |

Advocacy/Consumer Outreach:

To ensure Advocacy/Consumer Outreach requirements with NAR's Core Standards are met annually. Demonstrate engagement in at least four meaningful consumer engagement activities annually, including at least two activities demonstrating how the association is the Voice for Real Estate in its market, and at least two activities demonstrating the associations involvement and/or investment in the community

Banquet/Luncheons/TREPAC:

Sarah Rowlands
Coldwell Banker
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Marco Porras
RE/MAX Land & Homes
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The duties of this committee are to plan, arrange, and promote social activities for the membership with regard to general membership meetings, annual Installation Banquet and other special events as directed by the President and the Board of Directors and to work in conjunction with the staff in promoting membership attendance.

The Texas Association of REALTORS Political Action Committee shall raise and disburse funds to achieve the objectives of Texas REALTORS and to create a favorable business environment to protect REALTOR profits, rights of property owners and the free enterprise system. Motivate members to invest. Work with Banquet/Luncheon committee in securing donated auction items for silent and live auctions. Conduct personal visits with members of the Association; distribute and collect pledge cards and contributions; Chairpersons to attend BOLC and Texas REALTORS Winter meeting to accept awards on behalf of the VAAR during the annual Texas REALTORS Mid-Winter meeting.

Budget & Finance: **Marcus Casillas**
The Ron Brown C0
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The duties of the committee shall be to review the budget and expenditures of the preceding year, to recommend to the Directorate the budget for the coming year, and to consult with the Directorate as needed on fiscal matters during the year.

ByLaws/Policies & Procedures:

Study Bylaws and Policies and Procedures and prepare necessary revisions as may be directed by the Board of Directors; keep informed of state and national Bylaw changes as to its affect to the local Bylaws; submit revisions to the Board of Directors for approval; submit the approved changes to the National Association of REALTORS® for approval every two years.

Governmental Affairs:

This committee shall maintain an awareness and cognizance of all matters bearing upon the real estate industry or having impact upon the ownership of private property and suggest appropriate positions, measures, and actions to the Board of Directors. Monitor all legislation of the national, state, and local levels and rules and regulations of the Texas Real Estate Commission and other regulatory agencies affecting the real estate industry. Arrange & coordinate Austin Realtor Hill visits when applicable.

DEI (Diversity, Equality, Inclusion):

The duties of this committee will be to focus on the principles that matter to the association and how we engage each other to reach our common goals. Fully embrace perspectives from all walks of life regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, religion, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, national origin, socioeconomic status, political affiliation or any other qualities by which we may define ourselves. These beliefs are essential as we serve our members who help fulfill the dream of home and property ownership in America.

Technology/Website:

Rick Martinez
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The Technology Committee shall maintain an interactive website for the association with the ability to move between websites and create active links, provide access to professional standards and arbitration filing processes on the website, and includes links to the websites of the other levels of the association for promotion of member programs, products and services. Work with association staff on implementation. The committee shall also organize and support technical needs of the association and its membership.

Educational/Orientation:

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The duties of this committee shall be to plan new member orientation programs in all fields of real estate; to conduct training seminars as are approved by the Board of Directors; promote participation in VAAR functions/events, disseminate information from state and national association of an educational nature.

Affiliate Members may choose to serve on the following VAAR Committees:

**Advocacy/Public Relations
Banquet/Luncheon/TREPAC**

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