

# GTAR/MLS TECHNOLOGY ANNUAL MEETING

**Who:** GTAR and MLS Tech Voting Members\*

**When:** Thursday, October 12, 3:00 p.m.

**Where:** GTAR Training Center

**VOTING MEMBERS:** This is your opportunity to select the 2018-2019 GTAR and MLS Tech Boards of Directors, as well as vote on proposed bylaw changes, and hear about what has happened over the last year.

**\*GTAR Voting Members:** Individuals who hold REALTOR® membership. Individuals who hold REALTOR-ASSOCIATE® membership are *not* voting members. There is no restriction on the number of voting members allowed.

**\*MLS Tech Voting Members:** Individuals designated by the MLS Technology Participant. Only two individuals per firm are allowed to vote.

## 2018-2019 GTAR Board Nominees



### Angie Bowker-Brant

Angie Bowker-Brant has been in the real estate industry for 10 years. She and her husband Mark Brant opened BowkerBrant Realty Group in 2011 for the primary purpose of serving homeowners facing foreclosure. Earlier this year she merged her company with Bryan Properties and currently holds the role of Broker Associate and Team Lead for the BowkerBrant Group.

Angie has been on the Education Committee for four years and is the 2017 Chair. She has been on the Urban Affairs committee for two years and is the Chair-elect for 2018. She joined the Equal Opportunity and Fair Housing Committees in 2016 as the Chair and is a committee member this year. She was also part of the recent PR Task Force that helped develop the new MLS Technology name and logo. Prior to real estate, she worked in the car rental industry for 21 years and has worked as a Fund Raising and Donor Development Director for two national not-for-profits. She is an ordained minister and has traveled to Russia, Mexico, and the Appalachian Mountains leading service projects. She has been on the Advisory Committee to Tulsa Tech's Business and Marketing classes, as well as an annual judge at the state DECA competition the past 5 years. She has authored a children's Christmas book and is passionate about encouraging families to create memories and traditions together. She and Mark have two adult children, a daughter-in-law in her third year of dental school at OU, and one beautiful two-year-old granddaughter.



### Patty Bryant

While working in the family business, The Bryant Company, REALTORS®, Patty obtained her Sales Associate license in 1986 and her Broker license in 1989. Patty served on numerous committees on all levels for REALTORS®, including the 2006 Oklahoma Representative for NAR REALTORS® Political

Involvement Committee. On a state level, she was actively involved with the OAR Legislative Political & Regulatory Committee (2004, 2007), OAR Association Meetings Committee (2005, 2006), OAR RPAC Oklahoma Trustees (2007), and OAR Board of Directors (2016).

At GTAR, Patty served on the Board of Directors in 2015 and has given her time to many committees over the years. Patty was recognized as a forward-thinking, results-driven professional with the GTAR Sales Associate of the Year in 2003 and with selection to the Leadership OAR inaugural class of 2005. As President of Women's Council of REALTORS® in 2005, she shared her knowledge and successful experiences with other REALTORS®. Patty was appointed by Speaker of the House Lance Cargill to serve as a Commissioner on the Oklahoma Commission on the Status of Women from 2007-2015. In 2007, Patty was appointed by the Tulsa area State Senators to serve as the first Republican Secretary of the Tulsa County Election Board. After serving 10 years as Election Board Secretary, she has returned full time to real estate. She maintained her license and since 2008, has worked as the managing broker for BidLoud.com Realty, LLC. While serving as Tulsa County Election Board Secretary, Patty was elected and served as Oklahoma Delegation Director for International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Election Officials and Treasurers (now known as International Association of Government Officials) from 2007-2017. Patty is the current President of the Tulsa Downtown Lions Club and the Secretary of the Oklahoma State Lions Service Foundation.



# 2018-2019 GTAR Board Nominees

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## Amy Cochran

Amy graduated college from the University of Arkansas in 1994 with a BSE in Education/ Speech-Language Pathology. She received her associate real estate license in the state of Oklahoma in May of 1999. She began her real estate career working for Brooks Connor at Wylly-Connor Real Estate in Tahlequah. She

then moved on to work in commercial real estate in Northwest Arkansas, and while doing so, obtained her Brokers license. In 2005, Amy and her husband James started Cochran & Associates Real Estate in Tahlequah. Amy furthered her education in real estate by becoming a Graduate of the Real Estate Institute (GRI). She has also worked toward the RLI designation in the Rural Land Institute. She served the Greater Tulsa Association of REALTORS® on the Ethics Review Committee. She is also a licensed instructor for the pre-licensing course.



## Rose Ford

With over 30 years of experience, Rose Ford is both personally and professionally involved in the real estate industry. Rose started her career back in Chicago in 1984, working as an Administrative Manager and a REALTOR-Associate® for two of the largest real estate companies in the U.S. With her

family, Rose moved to Tulsa in 1997, where she continued her passion for real estate. Joining Chinowth & Cohen, REALTORS® in 2006, she started as a Broker Manager in their Midtown branch. Currently, Rose is the Broker Manager for Chinowth & Cohen's Broken Arrow office where she mentors over 100 agents and is V.P. of Administrative Services. She is a dedicated, hands-on manager who is determined to help each agent reach the same level of success that Chinowth & Cohen has achieved corporately. She continually demonstrates her leadership ability, mentor qualities, and ethical characteristics on a daily basis.

Rose has served, and continues to serve, as a REALTOR® member of GTAR. She is involved in a multitude of internal committees which have included: Rules & Regulations, Membership, Standard Forms, Keybox, Equal Opportunity, Community Relations, Sales Associate, Backpacks for Kids, and the GTAR Nominating Committee. Rose is a 2004 graduate of the Rhema Bible Training Center, with a degree in the Ministry of Helps. She is a proud mother of two adult sons and grandmother of four.



## Patrick Fox

Patrick Fox is managing Broker of Fox + Allen Realty. His real estate background is in urban commercial real estate, with a focus on specialty property sales, investment properties, multifamily and landlord/tenant representation in all sectors. As a principal Partner, Patrick leads Fox + Allen's

commercial team. In addition to his work in the private sector, he served in the public sector with both the City of Tulsa and with INCOG. He served as the staff planner for the Tulsa Preservation Commission; as the Transportation Planner at INCOG focusing on alternative transportation modes, and as project lead for the City of Tulsa's Economic Development and Planning Department's Small Area Planning program. Patrick also helped develop a public outreach plan for INCOG's Fast Forward transportation planning effort, which achieved a National Planning Award for best practice in 2013. In 2007, Patrick entered the private sector as a real estate consultant, assisting investors and developers in the planning and construction of several prominent Downtown Tulsa projects, including the 90,000 square foot mixed-use GreenArch project in the Historic Greenwood District and in the revitalization of the historic ONG Building in Downtown Tulsa.



## Jennifer Hicks

Jennifer is a managing broker and owner of EH James Realty Advisors, a boutique investor relations and service provider brokerage located in Tulsa. She is a graduate of Oklahoma State University's Spears School of Business. Shortly after graduation, Jennifer began her career in real estate at

Keller Williams in 2014. She transitioned into her own brokerage in 2016 after amassing a solid reputation and performance track record amongst Tulsa's investor community. In 2016, Jennifer was elected to the Standard Forms and Bylaws Committees at GTAR, receiving valuable committee experience. Jennifer's pursuit to assist and help guide the future of REALTORS® to adapt to changing marketplace environments in Oklahoma is imperative to not only her but everyone's careers.



## Charles McBride

Charles McBride is the broker/owner of Bailey-Foristell, Inc.—Tulsa's oldest property management company serving the Tulsa area since 1930. Bailey-Foristell currently manages nearly 500 units in a 20 mile radius of downtown Tulsa. The portfolio consists of single-family residents, multi-family, and commercial. Charles has served on GTAR's Urban Affairs and Education Committees; he is currently serving on the GTAR Board of Directors and the 2017 Residential Property Managers & Leasing Committee that he has chaired several times. Charles is a graduate of Broken Arrow High School and the University of Oklahoma. He is married to his wife Joelle and has three children. He is active in the Edison Preparatory High School, PTSA, Edison Soccer Booster Club, Tulsa Metro Soccer Association, Carnegie Elementary PTA and Foundation, First Baptist Church Tulsa and hosted with Joelle, an FBC Community Group of 20 high school age children every week.

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## Gunta Sandmeyer

Gunta Sandmeyer has been a full-time REALTOR® since 2002, starting her real estate career in North Carolina, and for the last eight years, here in Tulsa. Originally from Latvia, Gunta came to the United States as a student at OSU (Business Administration degree and a degree in Interior Design.) Gunta has been

a member of GTAR ever since becoming a REALTOR® in Tulsa and greatly appreciates the benefits and ongoing support that the Association offers. As the broker/owner of Boulevard Realty Group, LLC, Gunta is particularly attuned to the needs of independent REALTORS®, especially those who do not have access to the resources of large real estate companies. Gunta is very interested in ensuring that all Tulsa REALTORS® have access to the latest education, technology, and other tools to bring their business and personal development to the next level.

Gunta also has more than 15 years of experience in the New Home industry, having spent many years selling, designing, and building new homes. Gunta is married to Ralph Sandmeyer, a local Tulsa builder and owner of Southern Homes. Together they share a passion for home building. They have two kids (ages 6 and 11) who keep them very busy. In her free time, Gunta enjoys traveling, spending time outdoors running, hiking and skiing. An avid reader, Gunta also loves to relax with a great book. Gunta enjoys meeting and collaborating with fellow Tulsa REALTORS® and hopes to work with other board members in making sure GTAR stays progressive, well-managed, and a great asset to all GTAR members. Gunta holds the Certified Residential Specialist (CRS) designation, is a Multi-Million Dollar sales agent, and Accomplished Interior Designer (Allied ASID & Associate IIDA).



## John Smucker

John Smucker is a broker associate with Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices, Anderson Properties. He has been licensed for 29 years and has had his brokers license for 24 years. John graduated from ORU with honors in 1985 and served as an adjunct business professor at ORU for nine years.

John has been a member of Leading Edge Society for 20+ years; Presidents Circle for 15+ years; Chairman's Circle for 15+ years; and the Thoreau Task Force Creating Thoreau Middle School. He is an Oklahoma Double Edge Legend Award winner and former youth soccer and basketball coach. John and his wife Janae will celebrate their 10th anniversary this coming January. They both migrated to Tulsa 1979/ 80 from the beautiful state of Ohio. They are parents to seven children (three girls and four boys) from 21 to 29 years old, with two grandkids in Norman. Their children are currently scattered, with one in Norway, one in the Ukraine (45th Infantry), one in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and four in Tulsa metro.



## Holli Woodward

Holli Woodward, CRS, WCR is a broker manager for McGraw, REALTORS®. A native Texan, Holli moved to Tulsa in 2001 and began her career in real estate shortly thereafter as an assistant. In no time, it became a true passion for her and her full-time career choice. Her clients and her associates are her top professional priority,

“the family she chose.” Holli has served, and continues to serve, on multiple committees at GTAR and currently chairs the RPAC Committee. She was honored to be selected as the 2015 GTAR Sales Associate of the Year. Holli has also chaired, and continues to serve, on committees and the OAR Board of Directors. She currently serves NAR as Oklahoma's representative on the RPAC Participation Council and is humbled to serve as the 2018 Vice Chair of the Medium State Forum and 2018 Vice Chair of the Idea Exchange Council for NAR. An avid supporter of RPAC, Holli has been a Major Investor and Presidents Circle investor from the moment she realized its true importance to the industry. She is actively involved in RPAC and serves as a State Legislative advocate. She visits the state capitol and Washington DC annually to make sure that bills that affect home and property owner rights are understood by our legislators before they vote. Holli believes you should not only be invested, but involved.

Holli is past president of Oklahoma CRS (Certified Residential Specialists), National Executive committee member, and is serving her final term for the National Council as one of 17 Regional Vice Presidents nationwide. Holli was awarded the National CRS Presidents Award in 2016 for outstanding service to the council. She truly considers it a privilege to be able to engage with top REALTORS® locally, statewide, and nationwide who understand the responsibility that REALTORS® have to home buyers, sellers, and investors—many of whom she now considers family. Holli stated on her 45th birthday a few weeks ago, she is “Just getting started!” When not selling, Holli and husband/high school sweetheart Steve enjoy traveling, riding their motorcycles, and spending time with their two sons, Joshua 24 and Auston 21, who both followed Holli into real estate.

## GTAR Director Nominees

### Nomination by Petition

Additional candidates for directorships may be placed in nomination by a petition signed by not fewer than twenty-five (25) of the voting members in good standing, provided that such petition shall be filed with the Chairman of the Nominating Committee or the Chief Executive Officer not fewer than twenty (20) days prior to the date of the annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall email or publish a list of nominees by petition to the voting members not fewer than fifteen (15) days in advance of the annual meeting.

**Reference** GTAR Bylaws Article XI.

### Absentee Ballots

Any voting member who is unable to attend the annual meeting may, upon written request via email (GTARBallot@tulsarealtors.com) to the Chief Executive Officer, obtain an absentee ballot at the GTAR office which, to be counted, must be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer **by 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, October 11, 2017.**

# 2018-2019 MLS Tech Board Nominees



## Carol Brown

Carol Brown began her real estate career in 2005 and today is the Team Leader and Principal of Brown & Company at McGraw, REALTORS®, a top producing team in the Tulsa area. She truly enjoys giving back to the real estate community that has given her so much, by serving on the 2016-17 MLS

Technology, Inc. Board of Directors (formerly NORES), the 2016-17 Oklahoma Association of REALTORS® Board of Directors, and on the GTAR Standard Forms Committee.



## Lisa Mullins

Lisa has been a licensed REALTOR® in Oklahoma since 2001 and became a broker in 2016. Lisa established her team, the Mullins Team, in 2005. The Mullins Team has been recognized nationally as a top producing team for multiple years. Lisa is a member of the Greater Tulsa Association of REALTORS®,

Oklahoma City Metro Association of REALTORS®, Duncan Board of REALTORS®, and the North-East Oklahoma Board of REALTORS®. In 2013, the Greater Tulsa Association of REALTORS® awarded Lisa the Sales Associate of the Year award. Lisa has served on multiple committees at GTAR since 2003 including: the Community Relations Committee, the Program Committee, Standard Forms Committee, Sales Associate Committee, and RPAC. Lisa has been an RPAC contributor since 2012. Lisa earned her CRS in 2012 and is a Top Gun Graduate. Lisa has taught HUD classes to buyers for the past five years. Lisa has been very involved in the Tulsa Chapter of the American Cancer Society's Cattle Barons Ball, raising money to help families touched by cancer. Lisa is also involved with the Sunshine Kids through her brokerage Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices, Anderson Properties.



## Axay Parekh

Axay Parekh is the operating partner of RE/MAX Life in Tulsa. Axay was named Sales Associate of the Year by the Greater Tulsa Association of REALTORS® in 2012 for his work to bring innovative technology to the Tulsa Market and for his dedication to working with RPAC (REALTOR® Political Action

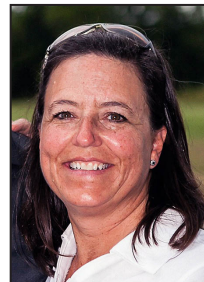
Committee) and their mission to keep home ownership attainable for all Americans. Axay is on the GTAR's Board of Directors and is this year's president. He also serves as a director at the Oklahoma Association of REALTORS®, and chairs several committees, including the Conference Committee that coordinated the OAR Conference in September in Midwest City. Axay was selected by National Association of REALTORS® President Steve Brown to serve on the NAR Social Media Advisory Council, and was selected to be a part of the National Association of REALTORS® Leadership Academy Class of 2015.



## Connie Campbell

Connie is Broker/Owner of Campbell Due Real Estate at Lake Eufaula. A native Tulsa and University of Tulsa graduate, she took the opportunity to relocate to the lake. Her fondest memories all involve Oklahoma's lakes with family and friends. Her real estate career began at ERA Lake Eufaula Real Estate.

In just a couple of years, she opened her own business and has been actively involved in real estate ever since. Real Estate designations Connie holds include: Graduate REALTOR® Institute (GRI), Accredited Buyer's Representative (ABR), Seller Representative Specialist (SRS), and Resort & Second Home Property Specialist (RSPS). She has served on the Southeastern Oklahoma Association of REALTORS® (SOAR) Board of Directors for numerous years and currently represents SOAR as State Director. She is a member of the SOAR Social, Public Awareness and Fundraising (SPF) Committee which raised over \$7,000 this summer for the Emergency Youth Shelters in McIntosh & Pittsburg Counties. She is involved at the Oklahoma Association of REALTORS® serving as a Legislative Advocate. Connie is involved at GTAR, currently serving on the MLS Technology, Inc. (formerly NORES) Board of Directors, Data Systems Committee, and MLS Tech Rules & Regs Committee. She is involved in her lake community and serves as President of the Lake Eufaula Association and is a member of Vision Eufaula.



## Lee Ann Nelson

Born in Norman, Oklahoma, as a young child, Lee Ann and her father would look at homes on the weekend. He was a banker making sure the loans he made were secure, and she was just enjoying life. This sparked Lee Ann's interest in the real estate industry. After high school, she attended the University of Kansas

on a golf scholarship and completed a double major in Accounting and Business Administration. The next ten years were spent raising a young family, working at St. John's Hospital, and Warren Petroleum in Tulsa. For the past 21 years Lee Ann has operated her own appraisal company, Just Appraisals. She has served on several boards, including the National Association of Professional Mortgage Women and chaired the Golf Business Network charity golf tournament for the benefit of the Parent Child Center of Tulsa for three years. Recently Lee Ann's life, outside of work, has been filled with the joy of a loving partner and his family, her professional chef son, her daughter serving the county in the peace corps, travel and golf.



# 2018-2019 MLS Tech Board Nominees

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## Brad Ramey

Brad Ramey with Coldwell Banker Select, Managing Broker Sapulpa Office, has been in the real estate industry with Terry Gartside/Coldwell Banker Select for 15 years. He began his career in late 2001 and early 2002, going to work with Terry Gartside REALTORS® in January of 2002 as a sales associate. He

listed and sold property for 10 years. In 2008, when Gartside merged with Coldwell Banker Rader Group and became Coldwell Banker Select, he became the manager. Brad has continued to sell and list properties for family and former clients, and is still very active in the transaction sides, however, his main focus and purpose is to be the Managing Broker for the Sapulpa office. He thoroughly enjoys the associates and all of the affiliates associated with the Sapulpa office and the Coldwell Banker family. Some of the highlights over the last five years for the office are as follows: Office Talent Recruiting Award for Coldwell Banker National 2011, 2014; Premier Office Status with Coldwell Banker National 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016; #1 Office in North America for Office Size 21-35 for most transactions per associate 2013, 2014. Personal accomplishments: Leadership Sand Springs 2007; Leadership Oklahoma Association of REALTORS® 2008; Tulsa Business 40 under 40 in 2013.



## Michael Urie

Michael Urie has been a local licensed REALTOR® since 2002 and is the owner/broker of Solid Rock, REALTORS®. He is a Rogers County native and absolutely loves his job helping people with their real estate needs. Michael has served as a director and treasurer on the GTAR Board of Directors. He

holds the ePro designation and is a Leadership OAR Alumni, charter member of NOREN, past president of RCREA, and real estate auctioneer. Michael was also a semi finalist for 2009 REALTOR® Magazine's "30 under 30" program. Michael has been married to his beautiful wife, Jeni, since 2005 and has four great kids. They live in NE Rogers County just east of Chelsea on a beautiful farm with gorgeous rolling hills. They attend church in Big Cabin and are very involved with their church family.

## MLS Tech Director Nominees

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### Nomination by Petition

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**Reference:** MLS Tech Bylaws Article VIII

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**Where:** GTAR Training Center

### Voting Members:

This is your opportunity to select the 2017-2018 GTAR and MLS Tech Boards of Directors, as well as vote on proposed bylaw changes, and hear about what has happened over the last year.

# Proposed Bylaw Changes

Following are the proposed Bylaw changes for GTAR and MLS Technology which will be voted on during the GTAR/NORES Annual Meeting, Thursday, October 12, 2017, 3:00 p.m.

## NAR MANDATED:

Pg. 7 - ARTICLE V- QUALIFICATION AND ELECTION - Section 3. Election.

### a. REALTOR® Members.

1. The Membership Committee shall determine whether the applicant is applying for the appropriate class of membership. If it so determines, it shall give written notice to the REALTOR® Members of such application and invite written comment thereon. Such written notice shall be made twice not less than one (1) week apart. If one or more REALTOR® Members object in writing to the approval of the application, basing such objection on lack of qualification as set forth in these Bylaws, the Committee shall invite any objecting member to appear and substantiate his/her objections. Objections, which are not substantiated, shall be disregarded. The Committee may not find objections substantiated without (1) informing the applicant in advance in writing of the objections and identifying the objecting member, and (2) giving the applicant a full opportunity to appear before the Committee and establish his/her qualifications. The Committee shall thereafter make a written record of its recommendation. The Membership Committee shall conduct all proceedings with strict attention to the principles of due process and compliance with the Bylaws of GTAR:

Thereafter, within two (2) months of the date of the application, the Membership Committee shall report its recommendation to the Board of Directors in writing. If the recommendation is to reject the application and deny membership, the reasons must be specifically stated. The Board of Directors shall also be advised if any member of the Membership Committee submits a dissenting recommendation, to approve the application:

2. The Board of Directors shall at its next regular meeting review the qualifications of the applicant and the recommendations of the Committee and then vote on the applicant's eligibility for membership. If applicant receives a majority of votes of the Board of Directors to approve the application, the applicant shall be declared elected to membership and shall be so advised by notice in writing. The Board of Directors may not reject an application without providing the applicant with advance written notice of the recommendations of the Membership Committee. The applicant may within 10 days of the receipt of such written notice request in writing addressed to the Board of Directors a hearing before the Board of Directors. If such a request is received the Board of Directors shall at its next regular meeting afford the applicant the right to appear before the Board of Directors, to call witnesses on his/her behalf, to be represented by counsel, and to make such statements as he/she deems relevant. The Board of Directors may also have counsel present. The Board of Directors shall require that written minutes be made of any such hearing or alternatively it may electronically or mechanically record the hearing. The hearing shall be conducted according to the procedures outlined by the NAR Code of Ethics and Arbitration Manual. If the Board of Directors believes that denial of membership to the applicant may become the basis of litigation and a claim of damage by the applicant, it may specify that denial shall become effective upon entry in a suit by GTAR for declaratory judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction located in the County of Tulsa, State of Oklahoma, of a judgment declaring that the rejection violates no rights of the applicant.

## REPLACE WITH THE FOLLOWING:

Pg. 7 - ARTICLE V- QUALIFICATION AND ELECTION - Section 3. Election.

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#### Section 3. Election

The procedure for election to membership shall be as follows.

(a) The chief staff executive (or duly authorized designee) shall determine whether the applicant is applying for the appropriate class of membership. If the association has adopted provisional membership, applicants for REALTOR® membership may be granted provisional membership immediately upon submission of a completed application form and remittance of applicable association dues and any application fee. Provisional members shall be considered REALTORS® and shall be subject to all of the same privileges and obligations of membership. Provisional membership is granted subject to final review of the application by the board of directors.

(b) If the board of directors determines that the individual does not meet all of the qualifications for membership as established in the association's Bylaws, or, if the individual does not satisfy all of the requirements of membership (for example, completion of a mandatory orientation program) within \_\_\_\_\_ days from the association's receipt of their application, membership may, at the discretion of the board of directors, be terminated. In such instances, dues shall be returned to the individual less a prorated amount to cover the number of days that the individual received association services and any application fee. The board of directors shall vote on the applicant's eligibility for membership. If the applicant receives a majority vote of the board of directors, he/she shall be declared elected to membership and shall be advised by written notice.

(c) The board of directors may not reject an application without providing the applicant with advance notice of the findings, an opportunity to appear before the board of directors, to call witnesses on his/her behalf, to be represented by counsel, and to make such statements as he/she deems relevant. The board of directors may also have counsel present. The board of directors shall require that written minutes be made of any hearing before it or may electronically or mechanically record the proceedings.

(d) If the board of directors determines that the application should be rejected, it shall record its reasons with the chief staff executive (or duly authorized designee). If the board of directors believes that denial of membership to the applicant may become the basis of litigation and a claim of damage by the applicant, it may specify that denial shall become effective upon entry in a suit by the association for a declaratory judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction of a final judgment declaring that the rejection violates no rights of the applicant. (Adopted 1/98, Amended 1/05)

# Proposed Bylaw Changes

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### **NAR MANDATED:**

#### **Pg. 8 - ARTICLE V- QUALIFICATION AND ELECTION - Section 5. Continuing Member Code of Ethics Training.**

Effective January 1, ~~2001~~ 2017, through December 31, ~~2004~~ 2018, and for successive ~~four~~ two-year periods thereafter, each REALTOR® and REALTOR-ASSOCIATE® member of GTAR shall be required to complete ethics training of not less than two hours and thirty minutes of instructional time every ~~four~~ two year period. This requirement will be satisfied upon presentation of documentation that the member has completed a course of instruction conducted by this or another REALTOR® association, OAR, NAR or any other recognized educational institution or provider, which meets the learning objectives and minimum criteria established by NAR from time to time. REALTOR® members who have completed training as a requirement of membership in another REALTOR® association and REALTOR® members who have completed the New Member Code of Ethics Orientation during any ~~four~~ two (2) year cycle shall not be required complete additional ethics training until a new ~~four~~ two (2) year cycle commences.

Failure to satisfy this requirement shall be considered a violation of a membership duty for which REALTOR® membership shall be suspended until such time as the training is completed. In the event the individual fails to meet the requirement by ~~March 1st of the year following the end of any four (4) year cycle membership shall be automatically terminated~~ in any two (2) year cycle will result in suspension of membership for the first two months (January and February) of the year following the end of any two (2) year cycle or until the requirement is met, whichever occurs sooner. On March 1 of that year, the membership of a member who is still suspended as of that date will be automatically terminated. (Adopted 1/01, Amended 11/08, Amended 11/2016)

### **NAR MANDATED:**

#### **Pg. 9 ARTICLE VI - CHANGE IN MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION RESIGNATION, TERMINATION AND REINSTATEMENT**

**Section 6.** If a member resigns from GTAR or otherwise causes membership to terminate with an ethics complaint pending, ~~that Board of Directors may condition the right of the resigning member to reapply for membership upon the applicant's certification that he/she will submit to the pending ethics proceeding and will abide by the decision of the hearing panel; the complaint shall be processed until the decision of the association with respect to disposition of the complaint is final by this association (if respondent does not hold membership in any other association) or by any other association in which the respondent continues to hold membership. If an ethics respondent resigns or otherwise causes membership in all Boards to terminate before an ethics complaint is filed alleging unethical conduct occurred while the respondent was a REALTOR®, the complaint, once filed, shall be processed until the decision of the association with respect to disposition of the complaint is final. In any instance where an ethics hearing is held subsequent to an ethic respondent's resignation or membership termination, any discipline ratified by the Board of Directors shall be held in abeyance until such time as the respondent rejoins an association of REALTORS®.~~

**(a)** ~~If a member resigns or otherwise causes membership to terminate, the duty to submit to arbitration (or to mediation if required by the association) continues in effect even after membership lapses or is terminated, provided that the dispute arose while the former member was a REALTOR®.~~ (Amended 1/00 and 11/11)

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDED - Correction that was missed in 8/2012**

#### **Pg. 19 ARTICLE XI – DIRECTORS**

##### **Section 2. Number.**

The Board of Directors shall be made up of

- o 12 elected directors, with voting rights, for a term of two years; six (6) directors being elected each year.
- o up to five (5) voting ex-officio members made up of the Commercial Real Estate Specialists Chairperson, GTAR Immediate Past President, GTAR President, GTAR President-elect, and the NORES President-Elect.
- o Non-voting ex-officio members shall include GTAR members currently serving as OREC Commissioners, NAR Director for GTAR, and NAR Officers, and NORES President-elect. (Amended 8/12)

No more than two voting members of a member firm shall serve concurrently on the Board of Directors.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDED:**

#### **ARTICLE XIV - COMMITTEES**

##### **Section 6. Standing Committees.**

7. **Urban Affairs Committee.** This committee shall be composed of not less than eleven (11) or more than fifteen (15) appointed members. The CRES vice chairperson or their appointee shall serve a one-year term, as ex-officio with voting privileges and the previous year's Chairperson shall serve a one-year term.

1. **Term.** Members shall be appointed for ~~staggered three-year~~ a two-year terms.
2. **Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.** The committee shall elect its Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. The Vice Chairperson shall automatically become Chairperson the second January 1st after election as Vice Chairperson. The Chairperson of the committee shall attend OAR Legislative and Economic Summit meetings.

# Proposed Bylaw Changes

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**STAFF RECOMMENDED:**

**CURRENT BYLAW READS:**

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**PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGE:**

**ARTICLE XI – DIRECTORS**

**Section 2. Number.**

There shall be no less than 11 Directors, and not more than 15 (fifteen), with voting rights, for a term of two years; of six (6) directors shall be elected from the voting membership at large at the annual business meeting of voting members of GTAR, unless the total number of directors does not meet the minimum number of required directors, then the number of directors elected shall increase to meet the minimum number of directors required above. Up to five (5) voting ex-officio members made up of the Commercial Real Estate Specialists Chairperson, GTAR Immediate Past President, MLS Tech President, and the MLS Tech President-Elect.

## GTAR/MLS TECHNOLOGY ANNUAL MEETING

**Who:** GTAR and MLS Tech Voting Members

**When:** Thursday, October 12, 3:00 p.m.

**Where:** GTAR Training Center

**Voting Members:**

This is your opportunity to select the 2017-2018 GTAR and MLS Tech Boards of Directors, as well as vote on proposed bylaw changes, and hear about what has happened over the last year.