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Professional Development Advocacy Group
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2006
Omni Richmond Hotel
Richmond, VA

Presiding: Gwen Pangle, 2006 Chair

In attendance: Gwen Pangle, Chairman; Robin Amato; Bitsy Davis; Jo Cross; Amy Gianniny; Linda McCauley; Kathy Nunnally; Drake Van de Castle; Elaine Head, AE Liaison

Others attending: Lisia Amburn; Debbie Armentrout; Jennifer Brown; Wayne Ramsey

Staff Liaison: Tracey Florida

Call to Order

Chairman Pangle called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

It was MOVED, SECONDED and PASSED, to approve the minutes of the September 30 meeting as distributed.

Financial Review

The AG reviewed year-end financial statements for PDAG programs, noting PDAG programs are positive to budget overall, due to increased participation and registration.

Old Business

REALTOR® Institute – Year-end registration figures for the REALTOR® Institute were reviewed. Final numbers indicate attendance is still at record levels.

The REALTOR® Institute Curriculum Review Work Group reported consensus that the GRI modules are in need of updating and that an outside party should be contracted to write and/or oversee the process. It was MOVED, SECONDED and PASSED to have staff investigate and seek proposals from 2-4 qualified curriculum writers for updating/rewriting existing GRI modules as needed.

New Business

Work Group Appointments – Drake Van de Castle was appointed as PDAG Liaison to the Convention Planning Group. Jo Cross was appointed as advisor to the Broker/Manager Conference. Additionally, it was noted that the Virginia Managers Council wants to be involved in the Broker Conferences this year, and the AG indicated support for proposed format changes to the conference.

2008 Convention – Staff will be researching sites in Baltimore, MD, Myrtle Beach, SC, and Asheville, NC, as a location for the 2008 Convention.

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Strategic Initiatives – The AG reviewed the Strategic Plan noting the tactics for which the AG will be responsible in the coming years. Due to the limited time and the amount of material to be covered, the AG scheduled a conference call to continue discussion of and an implementation plan for AG responsibilities. The call is scheduled for March 1 at 2:00 p.m.

Other

It was reported that the 3-day Instructor Training course has been scheduled for April 11-13, 2006, at VAR Headquarters.

The next meeting of the Professional Development Advocacy Group is scheduled for Monday, April 10 at 10:00 a.m. at VAR.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before this group, the meeting was adjourned at 11:52 a.m.