



## **THE ANNUAL MEETING**

The South Shore Realtors® Annual Meeting was held virtually on October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020. A Registered Parliamentarian was hired to provide guidance throughout the Meeting. Election Buddy, an electronic voting tool, was contracted to ensure proper credentialing for Member voting and an audit trail for all votes. The Meeting was held on the Zoom platform which allows for detailed attendance reporting with registered Members receiving a unique Zoom link. All Association Staff were on hand to assist the President and Leadership with a Certification of Quorum, managing the Zoom Waiting Room, monitoring the Chat Box, and answering Member questions to ensure as many Members as possible could participate in the meeting as well as vote.

South Shore Realtors® Bylaws require a quorum of 150 Realtor® Members for the Association's Annual Meeting. Although over 150 individuals were in attendance, only Realtor® Members receive voting credentials and are counted towards a quorum. Assisted by Staff, the Association Secretary certified the presence of 120 Realtor® Members. Without a quorum, no business could be transacted. The Annual Meeting was adjourned, and the Chair proceeded with an Information Session for all Members. The Treasurer's report was delivered, Honor Society Recipients and Committee Chairs were congratulated and thanked, and the Session ended after several announcements. The free CE offering was held in the afternoon as planned.

## **WHAT NEXT?**

Due to the COVID19 State of Emergency, the State of Massachusetts has enacted laws allowing bylaw exceptions for non-profit corporations such as South Shore Realtors®. These waivers grant the ability to hold virtual Annual Meetings and vote electronically, but not to waive required Annual Meeting quorums. South Shore Realtors® Leadership has consulted with the Association's Attorney and Parliamentarian to determine our best course of action. The 2020 Annual Meeting did not attain the required quorum. Therefore, the proposed 2021 Slate of Officers and Directors could not be voted. The recommendation is to extend the term of current Officers and Directors who were voted to their positions by South Shore Realtors® Members at the 2019 Annual Meeting.

## **THE RESULT**

The term of current 2020 Officers and Directors has been extended through 2021 per the State's waiver. Two of our 2020 Directors, Gina Michini and Trish Pierce, have commitments to other organizations in 2021 and will not be continuing in the extended term. Janet Pistone and MaryBeth Sorgi, both candidates on the proposed 2021 slate put forth by the Nominating Task Force, have been appointed by the Board as successors in these two Director positions. All other Officers and Directors will remain in their current positions.

Email [Leadership@SouthShoreRealtors.com](mailto:Leadership@SouthShoreRealtors.com) with questions, comments or for more Information.



## **South Shore Realtors® 2021 Officers and Directors**

### **South Shore Realtors® Officers:**

|                 |                 |
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| President       | Mary D'Ambra    |
| President-Elect | Janet Murray    |
| Vice President  | Jennifer Jule   |
| Treasurer       | Stephen Damon   |
| Secretary       | Michelle Cox    |
| Past-President  | Christine Silva |

### **South Shore Realtors® Directors:**

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| David Brodeur      | Janet Pistone   |
| Peter Keane        | MaryBeth Sorgi  |
| George Jamieson    | Robert Sullivan |
| Christine McLellan | Tricia Stone    |

### **National Association of Realtors® Director:**

Christine Silva

### **Massachusetts Association of Realtors® Directors:**

Sydney Elliott  
Janet Murray  
Christine Silva  
Marcia Solberg  
Jennifer Jule

### **Massachusetts Association of Realtors® Director Alternates:**

David Brodeur  
George Jamieson  
Stephen Damon