



IREP Minutes

January 9, 2018

Happy New Year. The meeting was called to order at 9:00AM by Gayle LaBonte, President. Elaine Goller, President Elect, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the inspiration.

Speaker – Tammi Hagedorn introduced our guest speaker Mike Meidel, Director of Pinellas County Economic Development. Mike and his team help existing companies grow and recruit companies to our area. They promote better climate and quality of life. In addition, they work to attract new, high quality, high wage employers that will bring new money to our county to grow our economy. All this helps to build value for real estate.

New Members and Guests – Welcome to our members and guests, and our new member, Evelyn Nakelski of Mar-Key Property Services. Realtor guests today were: Meredith Johnson, Roe Realty, John Vaughn, Roe Realty, Ana “Soledad” Vacquer, Global Lifestyle Realty, Katie Leavitt, Mar-Key Property Services, Yoko Bagus, Bitmore Group, Katie Phelps, Luxe Properties International, and Sydney Ladner, C-Chord Realty.

Birthday Greetings - Happy Birthday to all January Birthdays!!

Treasurer’s Report – Barry Beote, Treasurer, balance is \$1677.32 before writing checks to our charities.

Minutes – Debbie Kampel, Secretary, will email out the minutes.

Announcements –Please invite Realtors to our meetings. Robin Emmanuel offered to send out emails for invites. Our next meeting the speaker will be Ken Burke, Clerk of County Court.

Pitch – Kim Cooke, Charles Rutenberg Realty- 6451 76th Ave N, Pinellas Park, 3/1 ½ bath, parking for boat or RV, 2 sheds, 2 story doghouse, fenced yard, vaulted ceilings and built-ins, \$160,900; Gayle LaBonte, Roe Realty – 3/2/2 on Hickman Circle, Clearwater, all updated \$320,000.

Adjournment- The meeting was adjourned at 10:00AM

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday**, February 13, 2018 at PRO.