

NMAR 2026 Annual Conference Highlights

NMAR's 2026 Annual Conference took place August 18–21 in Las Cruces, bringing REALTORS® and association leaders from across New Mexico together for education, networking, leadership, and celebration.

Awards & Recognition

- Tim MacEachen was named the 2026 NMAR REALTOR® of the Year.
- Caroline Russell received the Peggy Comeau Leadership Award, recognizing her outstanding service and leadership within the REALTOR® organization.
- Kim Clark, Association Executive for the Silver City Regional Association of REALTORS®, was honored for an incredible 30 years of Association service, making her the longest-serving Association Executive in New Mexico.
- The Celebration Gala was a highlight of the week, bringing members together to recognize the people who have made a lasting impact on the REALTOR® community.
- Through the Celebration Gala silent auction and the generosity of attendees, more than \$5,000 was raised for the NMAR Benevolent Fund to support members of our REALTOR® community in times of need.

Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

- Amparo Usrey (Gallup) was confirmed as NMAR's 2027 President.
- Joshua Price (Albuquerque) was confirmed as NMAR's 2027 President-Elect.
- Several members were elected to serve in NMAR leadership roles:
 - Sherry Fowler (Albuquerque) – First Vice President
 - Wes Graham (Clovis) – Treasurer
 - Joshua Maes (Santa Fe) – Northeast District Vice President
 - Emmery Simpson (Las Cruces) – Southwest District Vice President
 - Christopher Shain Tanner (Albuquerque) – Central District Vice President
 - Coleen Dearing (Santa Fe) – State Allocated NAR Director
- The Board approved the 2025 Audit with no findings from Auditor Pulakos CPAs.
- The Board approved the allocation of the 2025 Undesignated Funds.
- The Board approved the 2027 Dues and Fees Schedule, with a 3% increase on dues to account for inflation, as previously approved by the Board in 2024 with the 3-year budget.
- The Board approved the updated check signing resolution.
- The Board selected Form Simplicity as NMAR's member-benefit Forms Provider.
- Regarding the NM MLS, the Board approved Larry Fresquez (Roswell), Heather Porter (Grants), Mikal Calhoon (Hobbs), and Blake Farley (Silver City) to serve on the

NM MLS Board. Additionally, the Board approved amendments to the NM MLS Bylaws and Rules and Regulations.

- Regarding the NM Real Estate Education Foundation, the Board elected Cathy Colvin (Albuquerque), George L. Smith II (Commercial), and Andrea Dobyns (Santa Fe) as trustees.
- The Board referred amendments to the NMAR Forms Policy back to the Governing Documents Committee for further consideration.

Annual Membership Meeting Highlights

The Membership approved amendments to the Bylaws:

- **Article VII, Board of Directors:**
 - **Section 2 (Composition, Subsection h.):** Updates the number of presidentially appointed directors based on the addition of a new district for Members-at-Large and clarifies who they are representing on the NMAR Board.
 - **Section 5 (Special Meetings):** Aligns more closely with Roberts Rules of Order when amending an action previously adopted by the Board.
- **Article X, Election of Officers and Directors:**
 - **Section 3.1 (Election of Officers):** Creates the position of Individual REALTOR® Vice President from Members-at-Large and adds them to the election schedule aligning with other officer elections.
 - **Section 5.5 (Slate of Candidates):** Introduces new language to specify what happens when a qualified candidate rescinds their application for office before the ballot has been finalized and distributed.
 - **Section 6.3 (Election Procedures):** Strikes one sentence to align with normal election procedure for a run-off election.
- **Article XV, Districts:** Creates the new Member-at-Large District which will include all Primary Members-at-Large throughout the state.
- **Article XVIII, Harassment:** Adds the words “or guests” to the existing harassment policy. This change clarifies that the policy also applies when a guest attending an NMAR function is subjected to harassment by an NMAR member.

New Mexico Real Estate Education Foundation Board of Trustees

The Board elected the following officers for 2027 and approved the updated check signing resolution:

- Cathy Colvin (Albuquerque), President

- Coleen Dearing (Santa Fe), Vice President
- Shaheen Gallegos (Farmington), Secretary/Treasurer

Legislative Committee

- **Approved 2027 Quality of Life Statements and Legislative Priorities**
- **Created seven (7) Legislative task forces on various policy focus areas.**

REALTORS® Political Action Committee of New Mexico Board of Trustees

The Board confirmed the following individuals to serve on the Board:

- Kurstin Johnson – Central District Trustee
- Christopher Shain Tanner – Central District Trustee
- Micah Gray – CARNM District Trustee
- Tim MacEachen – CARNM District Trustee
- Joshua Maes – NE District Trustee
- Lela Holmes – NW District Trustee

The Board elected the following officers for 2027:

- Micah Gray (Commercial) – Chair
- Cathy Colvin (Albuquerque) – Vice Chair
- Kent Simpson (Las Cruces) – Secretary

Benevolent Fund Board of Directors

The Board elected the following Directors to serve on the Board:

- Melissa Glasgow (Farmington)
- Sandylee Pasquale (Albuquerque)
- Deena Turner (Ruidoso)
- Wendy Rhoades (Albuquerque)
- Monique Kelley (Las Cruces)

The Board elected the following officers for 2027:

- Deena Turner (Ruidoso) – President
- Melissa Glasgow (Farmington) – Vice President
- Sandylee Pasquale (Albuquerque) – Treasurer
- Monique Kelley (Las Cruces) – Secretary

Thank you to everyone who attended, participated, volunteered, taught, sponsored, and helped make the 2026 Annual Conference in Las Cruces a success. We're excited to carry the energy and momentum from Annual Conference into the year ahead!