## WI-CARH BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

**Tuesday, May 14, 2024** 

Wisconsin Management Company and Zoom

President, Russ Kaney called the meeting to order at 1:06 pm. Board members in attendance were Rob Dicke, Russ Endres, Denise Loveland, Rebecca Giroux, Brittany Leonard, Duane Tinsley, and Assistant Diane Hamm.

**Review and Approve Prior Minutes:** A review of the previous meeting minutes was conducted, and Russ Endres made a motion for approval with Denise Loveland seconding the motion and the motion carried.

<u>Old Business</u>: Russ Endres and Rob Dicke attended the mid-winter CARH meeting in South Carolina in January and WI-CARH received the State Affiliated Association of the year.

**Board of Directors/Organization Report:** Nothing to report.

<u>Membership Report</u>: Diane Hamm reported that we have 43 members for 2024, down from 44. Members that did not renew are Algoma/South Shores and Granite City. Polk County Housing Authority became a new member.

<u>Financial/Budget Report</u>: Brittany Leonard presented the current financial reports. The balance sheet is in a good position with overall funds. The CDs interest rates are higher this year. We are exceeding revenue from prior years. Revenue for membership and lease are similar to previous years. Conference and spring training revenue is up and so are the expenses. Denise Loveland made a motion for approval with Russ Endres seconding the motion and the motion carried.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Conference & Training Committee: The Spring Training was held on April 24 and 25 at the DoubleTree in Madison. The session was conducted by US Housing Consultants and the topic was HOTMA and the VAWA. Gary Kirkman was the trainer and Karen Liu-Yates from the FHLB of Chicago made an hour presentation on Thursday regarding Affordable Housing Program (AHP) and Downpayment Plus Program (DPP). There were 48 in attendance and the event was well received. We had four sponsors for this event – Horizon Management Group, Sid Grinker Restoration, Simply Computers, and SVA Certified Public Accountants. The fall conference is scheduled for October 24 at the Wilderness Territory in Wisconsin Dells. The committee will be getting together on July 23 at 1:00 pm to continue the planning process.

<u>Lease Committee</u>: Diane Hamm will be reaching out to Kevin Martin to secure his services to do the 2025 lease. In 2024, there were 50 FHA/Stand Alone Software Leases and 8 Paper Leases. There were 37 total member orders and 21 non-member orders for a total of 58 orders. Duane continues to do a fantastic job with getting the lease out to our members in addition to troubleshooting issues they might have.

**Nominating Committee:** Nothing to report.

**Personnel Committee:** No issues and all is going fine.

**Scholarship Committee:** We received one application that has been approved for driver's education.

<u>Website Committee</u>: Diane continues to work with Streamroll on the website which have been going smoothly.

<u>WHEDA Report</u>: Tax credit award winners will be announced in the next several weeks. WHEDA is offering three funding programs. The Fall round will open in September or October but will be listed on the website and will close by the end of October. WHEDA will have their annual conference this year at the Monona Terrace on November 18 and 19.

<u>Wisconsin Collaborative</u>: The conference will be held in Middleton at the Marriott on July 17-18. WI-CARH will be a sponsor of the event with a \$500 contribution.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

<u>Training Session 2025:</u> Topic, date, and location TBD.

Annual Conference 2024: Will be held at the Wilderness in Wisconsin Dells on October 24.

**CARH Meeting 2024:** The CARH annual conference is being held June 24-26 in Arlington Virginia.

**Donation to CARH Scholarship:** WI-CARH will be making a \$1,000 contribution to the James L. Poehlman Scholarship. We will submit a write up regarding James Poehlman since WI-CARH is celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Russ Endres made a motion for approval with Denise Loveland and Russ Kaney both seconding the motion and the motion carried.

<u>Other:</u> Russ Kaney suggested bringing on US Housing Consultants on a retainer for HOTMA issues. Russ will discuss this with US Housing Consultants.

## **2024 Meeting Dates:**

a. Board Meeting
b. September 10, 2024, at Wisconsin Management Company
October 24 at the Wilderness

c. Board Meeting October 25 at the Wilderness

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm and Russ Endres made a motion for approval with Rob Dicke seconding the motion and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Russ Endres, Secretary