



New Board Meets **Education is high on agenda**

The NICIA Board had an eventful evening May 4th this year. It was the first full meeting for the new board. Minutes were approved and finances were examined. Everything is in order. And then a discussion on what the board will try to achieve over the next 12 months and beyond ensued.

The Board CHAIRS give us a good idea of what the Board finds important. A list of positions are below.

Program Chair	Alicia Ortiz
Membership Chair	Barb Poland
Legislature Chair	Amy Feikes
Vendor Chair	Mihaela Raicu
Newsletter Chair	Scott Vogt
Education Chair	Crissy Clark
Realtor Liaison	Nicolae Sever Bleier Board Appointed

"You have to learn the rules of the game. And then you have to play better than anyone else."

- Albert Einstein: German Physicist

The board feels Education is a key reason you have come to NICIA. There are many ways to learn a subject and NICIA has been offering two ways, Speakers and Networking, all along.

Now we want to add classes on helpful subject matter. Such as Business Math, RE 101, or How to Use a HP 10BII. Also how to improve your property and tenant management skills. Some courses will add to your CE, continuing education, other courses may add to your PHP credits, Professional Housing Provider. PHPs are a newer idea, brought to by your National REA.

Mark Reynolds, your NICIA president, will be instructing us on Due Diligence in June. And Mike Jacka, the President of Minneapolis Real Estate Association will be speaking and teaching in July.

The Board is looking for assistance or comments in all departments. Do you have a talent to offer? Or time to donate? This is YOUR organization, if you have a way to improve it, please let the board know.

Welcome to NICIA

A few words from our President,

One of the great things about a volunteer organization like ours is that from time to time we elect new officers. This process provides both continuity and change. Continuity because the members of the board are frequently long-standing members of the community who have a history of contribution and change because each year there is some change in the leadership.

It has been my privilege to be elected President of this group for the upcoming year. It is an honor which I take seriously.

I want to thank those members, both past and present, of the board and other leadership positions for their contribution to the group. Without them we would not be where we are today. Their vision of this group as a source of support for each other continues with the new board. Feel free to ask questions, there is a lot of knowledge and wisdom in this "room".

If there are things we can do to assist in your success as a real estate investor please let us know. If you have a question or feel a need to know more about some process odds are somebody else in the room either has the same question or has been through the same process and can offer advice.

In the end, however, your success depends on your actions. Do not forget that while we are here to help what you do matters also. Ask, network, learn, reflect but most of all ACT-- even a mistake is better than no action at all for it is in our mistakes that we learn the most. You cannot steer a parked car.

Mark Reynolds

The Executive Board

Joe's House Tour Event

Joe Peterson has selected June 11th, which is a Saturday, for his House Tour. Please RSVP so that food and refreshments can be purchased appropriately. Joe will be on sight at 9AM, with coffee and doughnuts. Lunch will be served also.

As some of you may know, Joe is an art teacher at West Side Leadership Academy, Gary, Indiana. He organized the Builders Club, at West Side, that participates in making things the school needs, and also repairing and rehabbing parts of his school as well. Very soon Joe will be taking his builder's club to this house to teach them about tax sales and the rehab process. "I did this last year as a trial and it was a great success" and several students asked to do this trip again. "We did some demo last year and had a cook-out. One day I would like to rehab an entire house with my Builder's Club, but that's a ways off."

Joe Says:

"As for the NICIA members on June 11th, we can certainly talk about tax sales and my rehab process or what ever else comes up. I'm sure this will be a great educational and social event for all, so please come out!"

Mark Your Calendar;

June 11th, 2016

9:00 Am

RSVP: Info@GlenParkRentals.com

At the April Member Meeting ten people were elected to the NICIA Board. At a special Board meeting held on the following Thursday Six Chair positions and Four executives were elected.

Below are the 4 executives:

Mark Reynolds	President
Joe Peterson	Vice President
Ariann Horne	Secretary
Milt Petersen	Treasurer

NICIA

Meetings Held At

Indiana Wesleyan University
8415 Georgia St, Merrillville, IN 46410

"Every living being is an engine geared to the wheelwork of the universe. Though seemingly affected only by its immediate surrounding, the sphere of external influence extends to infinite distance." - **Nikola Tesla**: Serbian American inventor

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