

UPSTAR YPN By-Laws

Section 1. Purpose

"Our Mission is to engage and develop young at heart professionals in the REALTOR® family through association involvement, advocacy on policy, peer networking and community outreach"

- **REALTOR® associations.** Attend REALTOR® conferences and pursue leadership roles with their local, state, and national associations.
- **Real estate industry.** Take an active role in policy discussions and advocacy issues; be informed about the latest industry news and trends.
- **Peers.** Network and learn from one another by attending events, participating in online communication, and seeking out mentoring opportunities.
- **Community.** Become exceptional members of their community by demonstrating a high level of REALTOR® professionalism and volunteering for causes they feel passionate about.

Section 2. Structure

- A. YPN Membership is free to join and open to any REALTOR® regardless of age.
- B. Other ways to join YPN is by attending events and filling out the YPN Membership Application, or other methods deemed appropriate by the committee. Member must be in good standing with the Local, State and National Association and requests to join YPN, meeting the criteria, will be accepted.
- C. The UPSTAR President shall appoint a committee to include a Chair and Vice Chair to oversee the activities of the YPN. The UPSTAR President Elect shall make recommendations to the President for Vice Chair appointments.
- D. The committee shall consists of at least seven (7) and no more than eleven (11) members and shall include a chair responsible for overseeing YPN meetings and serve as main spokesperson for the group; a vice-chair to work in conjunction with the chair; and five other positions appointed from amongst the members of the committee by the chair:
 - 1. Membership Coordinator—in charge of recruitment and obtaining current member contact information for member database; UPSTAR to hold master database.
 - 2. Events/Education Coordinator—planning and coordinating YPN activities and reaching out to potential sponsors
 - 3. Secretary/Treasurer take minutes of meetings and collect monies as needed for events/education. There will be a designated fund setup at UPSTAR for monies.
 - 4. Communications Coordinator—promoting YPN activities and responding to YPN inquiries
 - 5. Mentoring providing experience, guidance and support to younger at heart.

6. Social Networking/Technology – overseeing the website and online activities and interaction.

Remaining members of the advisory board shall be at-large positions.

E. A simple majority of the members must be present to conduct business.

Section 3. Terms

- A. Members of UPSTAR YPN shall be deemed members unless they opt-out of membership via written communication.
- B. Start-up committee will serve a two year term. Members of the committee shall serve staggered three-year (3) terms.
- C. Members can serve two consecutive terms; member can serve an additional term after taking one year off.
- D. The new term of committee members shall commence with the beginning of the UPSTAR President's term.
- E. UPSTAR Board President has the discretion to remove a committee member if they are absent from three committee meetings.

Section 4. Duties

- A. Maintain professionalism in all communications—whether in person or via e-mail—and keep the focus of events on how to help members succeed in business.
- B. Use the official YPN Chapter logo to benefit from the brand recognition of national YPN.
- C. Promote YPN national and local events through regular communications with YPN members.
- D. YPN does not sell member contact information to any third party, including event sponsors.
- E. Plan at least two events a year (such as networking events, meetings, education sessions, Webinars, etc.)
- F. Maintain at least 15 members
- G. Strive to be recognized as the chapter of the year
- H. Further the national mission
- I. Not infringe on other YPN territories—YPN chapters are to be connected to the local or state REALTOR® association or board to ensure that there is no overlap of chapters. If there's another YPN chapter already formed nearby, the association might decide to team up with a neighboring association to form one stronger YPN.

Section 5. Accounting

A. All monies and sponsorships received shall be handled by UPSTAR in accordance with the bylaws and policies already established.

Section 6. Liability

A. UPSTAR shall provide all liability policies as per the current structure, guidelines and bylaws already established for the directors, officers and members of the UPSTAR YPN.