



Open & Closed Meeting Policy (Revised November 2023)

To encourage participation in the governance of the Association and provide transparency in policy making, Members are invited to attend open committee meetings.

Unless there are reasons for confidentiality as determined by the Committee Chair, many committee meetings are open to any Member if space allows. Members should e-mail the applicable Staff Support to reserve a seat and to confirm that the specific meeting is open, preferably no later than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

Members attending any meeting are there only to observe. They may not comment or vote on any committee business. The Committee Chair may choose to recognize any Members observing and allow them to make remarks after the close of the meeting.

The following committee meetings are typically open:

COMMITTEE

Affiliate Council
Benevolent Fund Fundraising
Budget & Finance
Community Development
Diversity & Inclusion
Fair & Affordable Housing
Governing Documents
Leadership MAAR
MLS Information Network
Professional Development
RPAC
Young Professionals Network

STAFF SUPPORT

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For reasons of confidentiality, the following committees are closed to Members:

Awards	Grievance
Benevolent Fund Board of Trustees	Member Services
Board of Directors	Nominating
Education Foundation Board of Trustees	Professional Standards
Governmental Affairs	Scholarship

The MAAR Commercial Council and its committees have their own Open & Closed Meeting policy. Contact [Katie Shotts](#) for more information or to request attendance.