

2018 Registry Committee (RC) Meeting Notes

Friday, May 4th, 2018

Conference Call Meeting: 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)



Attendees:

Committee Member	Present	Committee Member	Present
Eddie Oddo (Co-Chair)	Present	Jack Rattikin (Co-Chair)	
Andrew Crisenbery		Jerry Gorman	
Andy Wert	Present	John Kulasa	
Bert Hughes	Present	Justin Jacobsen	
CC Kaplan	Present	Katie Schmitz	
Chris Condie		Lea Ann Chadwick	
Diane Evans NTP		Marvin Stone	Present
Gorkem Kuterdem	Present	Patrick Hempen	
Heidi Thorne	Present	Paula Maurstad	
Jenny Martin	Present	Richard Welshons	Present
		TJ Roache	Present
ALTA Staff			
Kelly Romeo	Present	Paul Martin	Present
		Kelly Langdon	Present

Opening Comments (*Eddie Oddo – Co-Chair*)

- The Registry Committee will be working to better align the direction of the ALTA Registry with the feedback and input of its participants, lenders, vendors, underwriters and agents.
- Instead of continuing to support multiple committees, we are going to gracefully retire the Design Workgroup and invite key members to join the Registry Committee. It is a bit of a mechanical administrative change that will allow the Registry Committee to continue to grow and enhance the ALTA Registry.

Review of Purpose and Scope (**Paul Martin, Co-Chair**)

ALTA Staff Reports (Paul Martin)

- Monthly Update. ALTA Staff noted that the monthly update reporting routine was now established and would be sent the first week following month end. One statistic is currently still in development:
 - % of ALTA Membership with a listing in the Registry.
- Agent Adoption – ALTA Staff informed the Committee that it had requested all Confirming Underwriters to promote agent’s adoption of the Registry through direct messaging to their agents. First American was thanked for their immediate implementation and it was noted that their communication resulted in an immediate increase in the volume of agent listing activity
- TJ Roache with Fidelity noted that they plan to send their messaging to agents during the week of May 7th.
- Paul Martin informed the Committee that Ramquest is also intending to send an agent communication the week of May 7th.
- Eddie Oddo inquired about sending a periodic request to UWs to send messaging. Paul Martin agreed and advised that ALTA staff will take ownership of prompting this messaging on a quarterly basis.

Committee Discussions (Committee)

- Vendor customer type expansion recommendation to Board of Governors.
 - Voice vote on proposal. The Committee voted in favor of presenting a proposal to the Board of Governors to expand the definitions of Technology Vendor and make a proposal to the Board of Governors.
- Real Estate Attorney (REA) Module.
 - The summary list of Real Estate Attorney functions and designations was reviewed by the Committee:
 - The Function list was accepted as is:
 - Perform Search
 - Perform Title Examination
 - Issue Commitment
 - Independently Issue CPLs
 - Conduct Closings
 - Conduct Settlement Signing
 - The Designations list was augmented with Attorney Agent as shown below:
 - Attorney Agent
 - Approved Attorney

- Closing Attorney
- Fee Attorney
- The Committee reviewed the current the REA module and agreed that functionality should include an option for attorney law firms to be listed in the Registry as a Title Agent or a Real Restate Attorney (REA). The Committee noted at the last meeting that the current guidance and options presented were not clear and should be improved.
 - During the meeting the Committee discussed options to improve the REA user interface. The discussion was centered around improving on-screen guidance to users to help them make the best decision for their type of listing in the Registry.
 - ALTA Staff were asked to develop and present to the Committee a solution that included a modification of the screen content (to include the words “Real Estate Attorney” when asking if the company issues policies) and a change to the option sequencing.
- The solution to be presented to the Committee is to be designated REA Ver 2.

Other Business or News to Share (Committee).

- Retirement of the Design Subgroup.
- Expanding the RC to include Key Members of the DSG

Committee Information: Meetings, Roster, Listserv (Paul Martin)

- Summer Meeting: The next meeting will be via Conference Call on 7/10, 7/11/ or 7/12?
- Fall Meeting: The Committee was informed that the next in person meeting would be held at ALTA ONE – week of October 8, 2018 in Los Angeles, CA.
- Committee Documents Page:
<https://www.alta.org/about/leadership-committees.cfm?ALTA-Registry-Committee>

Adjourn

The Co-Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:30 PM ET