#### **Community Association Operations in the Age of Technology**

#### Exam DBPR # 9627576

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INSTRUCTIONS: Read each question carefully. Only one answer for each question is correct. Mark your answer on the attached answer sheet. The passing score is 75% correct or 15 correct out of the 20 questions.

- 1, Which statement accurately describes the use of electronics?
  - A. The use of electronics is solely for eliminating paper.
  - B. The use of electronics may not be relied upon solely until it become more reliable.
  - C. The use of electronics allows for a more reliable and timely delivery of information to association members.
  - D. The use of electronics always reduces costs, which may be felt immediately.
- 2. The power to tax through assessments is essential to
  - A. Collecting the funds necessary to carry out the association's duties.
  - B. To pay salaries of association employees.
  - C. To maintain a rainy day fund in case of emergencies.
  - D. Must be returned to unit owners at the end of each calendar year if there was an overage.
- 3. The association is the conduit for the performance of the maintenance of the common elements regardless of
  - A. The cost of the maintenance.
  - B. How many units may be empty at any given time.
  - C. The extent of the common elements.
  - D. Whether or not a vote was taken approving maintenance.

#### 4. Thinking strategically means:

- A. Being deceptive with the enemy, where the unit owners are the enemy.
- B. Being ahead on billing assessments so that money is available when necessary.
- C. Being willing to cut losses as soon as they are known to avoid future costs.
- D. Being informed and consciously responsive to the dynamic environment.

#### 5. A planning committee is:

- A. Not responsible for doing all of the work, but it is responsible for ensuring that the work gets done.
- B. Not responsible for ensuring that that work gets done, but is responsible for doing all of the work.
- C. Responsible for ensuring that all work that needs to be done is scheduled, then performing the work.
- D. Responsible for maintaining a detailed work schedule so that those responsible for ensuring the work gets done have a schedule.
- 6. The guiding principle of participation in the strategic planning process is that everyone who will help execute the plan should have:
  - A. Only as much input as is necessary to stay informed.
  - B. Some input into shaping the plan.
  - C. Full and complete access to all drafts of the plan so that they may make revisions to the plan as they see fit.
  - D. No input into the creation of the plan, but should always have a working copy of the plan.

#### 7. It is not the association's objective to:

- A. Provide every service desired by the membership.
- B. Pay for all services within 10 days of the service having been provided.
- C. Make a profit.
- D. Be as efficient as possible.

- 8. Many associations conduct a survey from time to time covering all aspects of the community services and operations in order to determine the:
  - A. Members' satisfaction with the efforts of management.
  - B. If assessments were erroneously collected in the previous assessment period.
  - C. If service providers performed per their contracts.
  - D. If new or additional association management staff should be hired.
- 9. All too often, associations fail to reevaluate operations and many times continue services that are:
  - A. Too expensive for the membership.
  - B. No longer needed, desired or practical.
  - C. Not actually even provided any longer.
  - D. Not in line with new technology.
- 10. The accounting systems and records of an association provide physical documentation of:
  - A. The assessments collected from the unit owners.
  - B. A list of accounts paid by the association.
  - C. The amount of monies held in association banking accounts.
  - D. All of the financial activities of the organization.
- 11. A community association's objective regarding money should be to:
  - A. Make enough of a profit to set money aside for emergencies.
  - B. Break even.
  - C. Make a substantial profit.
  - D. To always show a deficit so that unit owners don't mistakenly believe assessments may end.
- 12. Which of the following is not one of three goals of maintenance in a community association?
  - A. To meet the needs of the individual residents.
  - B. To preserve and enhance the common property.
  - C. To ensure the safety of residents, guests, and employees.
  - D. To spend the least amount of money for maintenance in order to save the unit owners the cost.

- 13. Legal documents that are helpful to research to identify the physical assets of the community association include all but which of the following?
  - A. Annual meeting minutes.
  - B. Governing documents.
  - C. State statutes.
  - D. Board resolutions, if the board is empowered to decide.

#### 14. A "punch list" is a compilation of:

- A. All the maintenance needs identified during an inspection.
- B. Assignments of tasks to staff or contractors.
- C. All preventative maintenance that needs to be done.
- D. All hours works by staff or contractors performing maintenance.

#### 15. Insurance should protect the property, which includes:

- A. Only the buildings.
- B. Only the buildings and all other structures.
- C. All of the buildings and all other structures or improvements to the land.
- D. Only improvements built on or after the fifth anniversary of the community.
- 16. When considering the insurance package, it is critical to provide:
  - A. Adequate insurance.
  - B. As many different types of insurance as possible.
  - C. The most cost effective insurance available.
  - D. As many riders to the insurance in favor of the community as possible.

#### 17. The association needs to make sure that each policy renewal contains:

- A. An automatic renewal date for the next policy period.
- B. An agreed value clause to ensure a stated value for the insurance.
- C. All proper endorsements.
- D. A waiver for co-insurance penalties.

- 18. Community association managers should have a management plan:
  - A. To show any members that ask to see the plan.
  - B. Only if you are employed by the association and not a firm.
  - C. Only if you are employed by a firm and not an association.
  - D. So you and your board are clear on what is expected of you.
- 19. A management audit is used to:
  - A. Evaluate the board's performance.
  - B. Evaluate the timeliness of the payment of assessments by unit owners.
  - C. Evaluate management performance, as well as to monitor it.
  - D. Because it is a subjective report that identifies interpersonal relationships.
- 20. Monitoring the ever-changing technology climate is an important responsibility as advances may not only lead to greater efficiency, but may:
  - A. Come with little or no up-front costs.
  - B. Uncover unnecessary or obsolete services that serve only to cost unit owners money.
  - C. Be very easy to implement.
  - D. Make it easier for unit owners to contact management.

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