

District of Columbia Real Estate Commission
June 10, 2014
Minutes

The District of Columbia Real Estate Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, June 10, 2014, at 10:30 am at 1100 4th Street, S.W., Room 300B, Washington, D.C. 20024. At 9:30 am, the Commission conducted a Real Estate Guaranty and Education Fund hearing to consider the claim of Sean and Yvette L. Maybee for \$50,000.00 (vote is under New Business). At 10:15 am the Commission held its executive session (closed to the public) to discuss the Legal Committee Report, applications and that of the legal counsel.

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman Alton E. Duncanson at 10:31 am and attendance was taken.

Attendance

Commission Members Present: Alton E. Duncanson, Josephine Ricks, Monique Owens, Kenneth Smith, Rick Gersten and Ulani Gulstone.

Absent: None.

Staff: Leon W. Lewis, Program Liaison, Clifford Cooks, Program Manager; Kevin Cyrus, Education Liaison, Jason Sockwell, Program Support Specialist, George Batista, investigator, Steve Parker, investigator; Occupational and Professional Licensing Division, Business and Professional Licensing Administration

Legal Advisors to the Commission: Kia Winston

Office of the General Counsel representatives: Matthew Green, Assistant Attorney General, April White, Paralegal Specialist, Tiffany Ganthier, Legal Intern; Jean Pierre Denaur, Legal Intern, Joey Tabler, Legal Intern

Public: None

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Agenda Item: Comments from the Public

There were no public consumers present.

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Agenda Item: Minutes

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Gersten, and properly seconded by Commissioner Owens, the Commission voted unanimously to accept the draft minutes dated May 10, 2014.

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Agenda Item: Application for Licensure Recommendations

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Ricks, and properly seconded by Commissioner Smith, the Commission unanimously voted to approve Application List # 6, attached hereto and made a part of the June 10, 2014, minutes. Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Owens and properly seconded by Commissioner Smith, the reinstatement application of Mark McNeil was deferred pending the issuance of a \$1,500.00 consent order for practicing while unlicensed.

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Agenda Item: Legal Committee Recommendations

Cynthia Seymore vs. Eugene Pecar, Jobin Realty Mid Atlantic LLC. - Close; Civil Matter

Gregory Williams vs. Uniqca Powell, Long & Foster Real Estate Inc. - Close; No Violation

Nick Sanders vs. Denise Champion (Long & Foster Real Estate) - Await Response; Send information regarding the Real Estate Guaranty Fund

Natalie Wengroff vs. Lillian Ting (City Properties LLC) - Refer to Investigations re: possible unlicensed activity

In the matter of Sheila Mooney - No action

Teofilo Monteiro vs. Edward Giles t/a Georgetown Realty Group LLC – Request Cease and Desist Order and NOID to revoke license

Kaye Braxton vs. Aneaka English, ES Investment - Await response

In the matter of Katherine Buckley Investigative Report 2013I322 - Close; No Violation

In the matter of Mary “Dolly” Tucker - Dismiss

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Ricks and properly seconded by Commissioner Owens, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the recommendations of the Legal Committee.

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Agenda Item: Education Committee Recommendations

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Owens and properly seconded by Commissioner Ricks, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the Education Committee Report, attached hereto and made a part of the June 10, 2014, minutes.

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Agenda Item: Budget

Mr. Cooks presented a budget update to the Commission.

Agenda Item: Legal Counsel Report

The Legal Counsel provided recommendations and counsel on all complaints and legal matters for this meeting.

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Agenda Item: Review of Calendar

Commission-sponsored required core continuing education courses will be held on July 24th, 2014, at Gallaudet University for real estate licensees.

The Real Estate Educators Association Annual Conference will be held in Scottsdale, Arizona from June 20-23, 2014.

The National Association of Real Estate Brokers, Inc. Annual Conference will be held in Baltimore, Maryland from July 25-31, 2014.

The ARELLO Annual Conference will be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from September 17-21, 2014.

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Gulstone and properly seconded by Commissioner Owens, the Commission unanimously voted to authorize the attendance of Chairman Duncanson, Commissioners Owens, Ricks, Gulstone, and staff persons Clifford Cooks and Leon Lewis. Expenditures to be paid from the Real Estate Guaranty and Education Fund.

The National Association of Realtors Convention and Expo will be held in New Orleans, La. from November 7-10, 2014.

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Ricks and properly seconded by Commissioner Gulstone, the Commission unanimously voted to authorize the attendance of investigators Steve Parker and George Batista for the ARELLO Investigator Workshop from October 28-30, 2014.

Program Liaison Leon Lewis presented new available dates relating to the review of salesperson, property manager and broker exams. Chairman Duncanson and Commissioners Ricks and Smith along with Mr. Lewis have indicated that they will participate as subject matter experts during the week of August 18-22, 2014.

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2014 Meeting dates

January 14	February 11 th	March 11 th
April 15 th	May 13 th	June 10 th
July 8	August – No meeting	September 9
October 14	November 11	December 9

Agenda Item: Old Business

The (CLEAR) Board Member training was held on June 2, 2014, at the Sumner School, in Washington, DC. The (CLEAR) Board Member training was attended by Commissioner Gulstone, as well as Clifford Cooks and Jason Sockwell. Commissioner Gulstone stated that the training was very helpful on understanding better her responsibilities and role as a Commissioner and regulator. Further, attendees discussed key aspects of regulatory governance and transparency.

Agenda Item: New Business

- A. Chairman Duncanson reported on a discussion he had with DCRA employee Hamilton Kuralt, program manager, Consumer Protection, regarding the use of the Property Information Verification System (PIVS), www.pivs.dcr.dc.gov, for consumer protection purposes. Their dialogue focused on (PIVS) as an online search engine that licensees can recommend to clients for use in identifying information regarding permits, repeat offenders of the laws, and official actions taken by DCRA regarding the real property they are buying. He recommended that licensees be notified in the future about PIVS via an article in the newsletter, “Commentator,” or via online alerts.
- B. Real Estate Guaranty Fund Claim Hearing – June 10, 2014 – 9:30 am. In the matter of Sean Maybee and Evette Maybee, the following motion was offered: Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Smith and properly seconded by Commissioner Owens, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the claim of Sean and Evette Maybee in the amount of \$50,000.00 to be paid from the Real Estate Guaranty and Education Fund.
- C. Proposed Commission-sponsored Seminars – Summer 2014
 - The Commission-sponsored Continuing Education course will be held on July 24th, 2014, at Gallaudet University.

Agenda Item: Correspondence

None.

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Agenda Item: Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2014, at 10:30 am at 1100 4th Street, SW, Room 300B, Washington, DC 20024

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Ricks and properly seconded by Commissioner Gulstone, the Commission unanimously voted to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Alton E. Duncanson, Chair

Date

Recorder: Jason Sockwell
Attachments

Prepared by Jason Sockwell and finalized by Leon W. Lewis, Program Liaison