District of Columbia Real Estate Commission November 14, 2017 Minutes

The District of Columbia Real Estate Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, November 14, 2017, at 1100 4th Street, S.W., Room 300B, Washington, D.C. 20024.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Josephine Ricks at 9:35 am and attendance was taken.

Attendance

Commission Members Present: Josephine Ricks, Monique Owens, Frank Pietranton, Ulani Gulstone, Christine Warnke, Danai Mattison Sky

Members Absent:

Staff: Leon W. Lewis, Executive Director, Clifford Cooks, Program Manager, Kevin Cyrus, Education Coordinator, Kathy Thomas, Education Specialist, Stephanie Johnston, Program Support Specialist, Asia Dumas, Investigator, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division.

Legal Counsel: Kia Winston, Assistant Attorney General

Public Consumers Present: Lawrence Smith, Jacqueline Smith, Rachelle Stevens, Paul Nalabandian, Michael Kornegay

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Pietranton and properly seconded by Commissioner Sky, the Commission unanimously voted to enter into closed session pursuant to the authority of D.C. Official Code Section 2-575(b)(4)(A) to seek the advice of counsel, D.C. Official Code Section 2-575(b)(9) to discuss disciplinary matters, and D.C. Official Code Section 2-775(b)(13) to deliberate upon a decision in an adjudication action or proceeding at 9:55 am and to discuss:

Complaints and technical applications

The public session of the meeting was resumed on at 10:05 am and attendance was taken.

Agenda Item: Comments from the Public

Mr. Lawrence Smith, applicant, appeared before the Commission to obtain a status on his application for a real estate salesperson's license. His application was approved at today's meeting.

Ms. Rachelle Stevens and Mr. Paul Nalabandian appeared at the meeting to receive a status on their real estate applications for approval. Mr. Lewis to provide each with a status.

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Agenda Item: Education Report

No report was presented at this meeting due to the migration of data to the new Learning Builder System

Agenda Item: Budget

Mr. Cooks presented an oral financial report of the Real Estate Guaranty and Education Fund.

Agenda Item: Review of Calendar

Commission meetings (2018)

January 9, 2018	July 10, 2018
February 13, 2018	August - Recess
March 13, 2018	September 11, 2018
April 10, 2018	October 9, 2018
May 8, 2018	November 13, 2018
June 12, 2018	December 11, 2018

The ARELLO Leadership Symposium is in Austin, Texas from January 9-11, 2018.

The ARELLO Mid-Year Meeting is in New Orleans, Louisiana from April 4-7, 2018.

The Real Estate Educators Association Annual Meeting is in San Diego, California from June 21-25, 2017.

The NAR Mid-Year Meeting will be held in Washington, DC from May 14-19, 2018 (specific dates for the ARELLO-NAR Meeting to be determined).

The Commission-sponsored Historic Preservation seminars will be held during May 2018, at Gallaudet College (Kellogg Center).

The National Association of Real Estate Brokers, Inc. Annual Conference (TBD)

The Association of Real Estate License Law Officials Annual Conference is in St. Louis, Missouri from September 26-30, 2018.

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Agenda Item: Review of Calendar cont'd

The National Association of Realtors Annual Convention is in Boston, Massachusetts from November 3-5, 2018.

Agenda Item: Old Business

Commissioner Pietranton reported that he testified before the Committee of the Whole (DC City Council) regarding the "Property Manager Licensing Amendment Act of 2017." Mr. Cooks and Mr. Lewis also participated in the hearing. Chairperson Ricks expressed appreciation to Commissioner Pietranton for all of his efforts on the testimony. He reported that there were nine (9) witnesses before the committee. He indicated that there will probably be a task force appointed to work on the legislation. It was also reported that the bill introduced at the hearing did not receive much support. The Commission discussed different possible regulatory schemes involving community association management.

Mr. Cyrus reported that the Property Management Task Force is in the process of reviewing curriculums for property management (prelicensng and continuing education courses).

Agenda Item: New Business

Mr. Lewis introduced Patrice Richardson, Board Administrator, as the new Board Administrator for the Real Estate Commission. He also expressed appreciation to Stephanie Johnston, Program Support Specialist, for all of the support she has given to him and the Real Estate Commission this year, as well as to all of the years she has served the Commission.

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Owens and properly seconded by Commissioner Warnke, the Commission unanimously voted to approve funding of \$12,500.00 for 250 licensees for the Commission-sponsored Historic Preservation seminars during May 2018.

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Warnke and properly seconded by Commissioner Sky, the Commission unanimously voted to approve Commissioner Ulani Gulstone for attendance at the ARELLO Leadership Symposium in Austin, Texas.

Agenda Item: Correspondence

Agenda Item: Next Meeting

Next Scheduled Regular Meeting, December 12, 2017 1100 4th Street, SW, Room 300B, Washington, DC 20024

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Agenda Item: Adjournment

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Owens and properly seconded by Commissioner Sky, the meeting was adjourned at 10:36 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Josephine Ricks, Chairperson

12-12.74 Date

Recorder: Stephanie Johnston, Program Support Specialist

Transcriber: Leon W. Lewis

Attachments