



Occupational and Professional Licensing Administration

District of Columbia Real Estate Commission

July 12, 2022

Meeting Minutes

The District of Columbia Real Estate Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at 10:00 am via virtual.

The meeting was called to order by Frank Pietrantoni, Chair, at 10:01 am, and attendance was taken.

Attendance

Board Members Present:

Frank Pietrantoni, Elizabeth Blakeslee, Joseph Borger, Ericka Black, Monique Owens, Edward Downs, Uliani Gulstone

Staff:

Stacey Williams, Board Administrator; Kevin Cyrus, Education Coordinator; Britney Cheshier, Program Support Specialist; Jahmal Jefferson, Program Support Specialist; Stephanie Johnston, Program Support Specialist; Leon Lewis, Program Coordinator; Cynthia Briggs, Program Manager, of Occupational and Professional Licensing Division

Legal Counsel:

James Patrick White, Attorney; Conor Bigley, Legal Intern Office of the General Counsel

Public Members:

Noble Davis, Marie Dias, Rebecca Piltingsrud, Ronald Davis, Anne Coons, Natasha Washington, and other public consumers that cannot be identified through WebEx.

Agenda Item: Comments from the Public

Noble Davis mentioned issues with his brokerage roster, printing, and confirming license statuses in the Access DC portal. Mr. Davis inquired about a timeline of when the Access DC portal would be fully functional. Mr. Davis was advised that a definitive date cannot be provided. He was notified that we are working diligently to resolve these issues and complete the development of the Access DC system.

Marie Dias inquired about the option for licensees to upload course credits. She was informed that this issue has been made a priority, but the option to upload credits is still not available. Ms. Dias was advised to maintain a list of names to track individuals that cannot upload credits. Ms. Dias also inquired about obtaining new course approvals for the Broker supervision course. She was advised that Kevin Cyrus would assist with course approvals.

Agenda Item: Executive Session

At approximately 10:54 am, the following motion was made:

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Blakeslee and properly seconded by Mr. Borger, 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 and to discuss:

Complaints and technical applications.

The public session of the meeting was resumed at 11:59 am.

Agenda Item: Draft Minutes, May 10, 2022

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Downs and properly seconded by Ms. Owens, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the draft minutes dated May 10, 2022, with no revisions.

Agenda Item: Application for Licensure Recommendations

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Blakeslee and properly seconded by Ms. Gulstone, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the July 12, 2022, Application List administratively approved by OPLA staff, attached hereto and made a part of the July 12, 2022, minutes.

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Blakeslee and properly seconded by Ms. Gulstone, the Commission voted to approve the following recommendations made during the executive session:

1. Approve Tisa Clark's reciprocity application for Salesperson's license.
2. Approve Brittany Blonder's reciprocity application for Salesperson's license.
3. Approve Jason Hester's exam application for Salesperson's license.
4. Approve Manuel Ferrufino's reciprocity application for Salesperson's license.
5. Approve Andrew Patrick's reciprocity application for Salesperson's license.
6. Approve Chase Clement's reciprocity application for Salesperson's license.

Agenda Item: Complaints and Legal Matters

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Blakeslee and properly seconded by Ms. Gulstone, the Commission unanimously voted to accept the following legal recommendations:

1. In the matter of Amir Azarakshhi vs Cami Noble – close, no action.
2. In the matter of Leslie Bizovi vs Justin McNair – refer to CPU for investigation.
3. In the matter of Lisa Huot vs Amber Williams – close, no action.
4. In the matter of Justin Hattan vs Maria Reddick – compel response from respondent.
5. In the matter of Michael Kornegay vs Christopher Wallis – close, no action.
6. In the matter of Julia Park/Grant Erhuanga vs Kenneth Brown – refer to CPU for investigation.
7. In the matter of Ashalew Takele vs Marlena McWilliams – consolidate with Peter He complaint; held in abeyance.
8. In the matter of Fletcher Gill vs Kenneth Johnson – compel response from respondent.
9. In the matter of Vernon Oakes – Return matter to OGC.

Agenda Item: Education Committee Report

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Blakeslee and properly seconded by Ms. Owens, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Education Committee Report, attached hereto and made a part of July 12, 2022 minutes.

Update was provided on upcoming courses being offered with DS Real Estate Academy, Greater Capital Area Association of Realtors, and McKissock.

Agenda Item: Budget Update

The Commission members inquired about reimbursement checks from previous travel. Names, dates and conferences were noted and will be passed on to the procurement team to get a status update.

Agenda Item: Correspondence

None.

Agenda Item: Old Business

Staff made two submissions for the ARELLO conference fair housing awards. One submission for continuing education, and one submission for instructor development.

Establish a meeting date to discuss laws and regulations with General Counsel, Patrick (James) White. Commission Chair requested that prospective dates be sent to Commission members.

Develop a regulatory process, and create a draft, of the prospective process for licensing Property Management companies. Schedule a meeting date for a public hearing to present the proposed process, and to obtain feedback from public members.

Agenda Item: New Business

Staff has been working with the DC school system, and their designated official, to continue the Entering the Field of Real Estate outreach.

The staff informed the Commission members and the public that core courses for real estate licensees are scheduled to be offered virtually during the remainder of FY '22.

Agenda Item: Next Meeting

The next scheduled regular meeting is September 13, 2022, via WebEx. The Commission is on recess during the month of August.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Blakeslee and properly seconded by Mr. Downs, the Commission unanimously voted to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Frank Pietrantonio, Chair
Date: July 12, 2022

Recorder/transcriber: Britney Chesler