



Occupational and Professional Licensing

District of Columbia Real Estate Commission

June 13, 2023

Meeting Minutes

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The District of Columbia Real Estate Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at 10:00 am via virtual.

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

Attendance

Board Members Present: Frank Pietranton, Patrice Richardson, Edward Downs, Monique Owens, Ulani Gulstone, Ramona Barber, and Joseph Borger

Board Members Absent: Ericka Black, Elizabeth Blakeslee

Staff: Stacey Price, Board Administrator; Leon Lewis, Program Manager/Executive, Kevin Cyrus, Education Coordinator; Brittney Cheshier, Program Support Specialist; Kendra Covington, Program Support Specialist; Kathy Thomas, Education Coordinator; Jahmai Jefferson, Program Support Specialist; Leon Lewis, Program Coordinator; Jacqueline Noisette, Interim Program Manager; Elspath Callahan, Legislative Liaison; Aimellia Siemson, Legislative Liaison

Legal Counsel: Justin Orrison, Attorney, Office of the General Counsel

Public Members: D.D. Yates, Dan Hagedorn, Fatima Ahmed, Julie McGowan-Flynn, Kimberly Brown, Kimberly D, Miia Rasinén, Tenee, Zac Trupp, Hannah Lee, Robert Jordan, Ryan Paulus, and other public consumers that cannot be identified through WebEx.

Agenda Item: Comments from the Public

Public members Tenee and Robert Jordan would like to request a waiver for their property manager exam timeframe of 6 months to apply for the Property Manager license.

Agenda Item: Executive Session



At approximately 11:05 am, the following motion was made:

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Downs and properly seconded by Ms. Owens 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 12:53 pm.

Agenda Item: Draft Minutes, May 9, 2023

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Downs and properly seconded by Ms. Owens, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the draft minutes with an amendment dated May 9, 2023, to add the written copy of the 2023 ARELLO Mid-Year Meeting report, prepared by Mr. Downs, attached hereto.

Agenda Item: Application for Licensure Recommendations

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Borger and properly seconded by Ms. Owens, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the June 13, 2023, Application List administratively approved by OPLA staff, attached hereto and made a part of the June 13, 2023, minutes.

Agenda Item: Complaints and Legal Matters

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

1. In the matter of Ify Bozimo vs Saurahb Prakash – close, no violation.
2. In the matter of Hannah Franklin vs Kasra Divband – put into abeyance.
3. In the matter of Anonymous vs Cherish Avalonne – issue an informal admonition to the Principal Broker

Agenda Item: Education Committee Report

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Gulstone and properly seconded by Mr. Borger, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Education Committee Report, attached hereto and made a part of June 13, 2023, minutes.

Agenda Item: Budget Update

None.

Agenda Item: Correspondence

None.

Agenda Item: Old Business



Ms. Thomas informed the Commission that the DCPS Outreach event has been rescheduled to September 2023 since students will be going on summer vacation and want to ensure we get a good amount of participation when the students return to school. The event will still be held virtually via Webex.

The commission was also notified that DLCP has been testing two prospective licensing systems, System Automation and inLumon, with the expectation of using the selected system to handle all DLCP licensing data for both staff and licensees.

Agenda Item: New Business

The salesperson renewal cycle will begin this month. The renewal notices have been sent to the communications team for authorization to distribute to licensees.

A legislative meeting was held with the legislative team of DLCP. Mr. Pietranton commented that it was a very productive meeting focusing in on the licensure of property management companies. Follow-up meetings to be scheduled.

The Historic Preservation Seminar will be held on July 14, 2023, at the Martin Luther King Memorial Library. The notices will be sent to all prospective licensees once the communications department approves the verbiage.

Agenda Item: Next Meeting

The next scheduled regular meeting is July 11, 2023, via WebEx.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Gulstone and properly seconded by Mr. Downs, the Commission unanimously voted to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Pietranton, Chair

Date: July 11, 2023

Recorder/transcriber: Stacey Price