



Occupational and Professional Licensing

District of Columbia Real Estate Commission

May 14, 2024

Meeting Minutes

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The District of Columbia Real Estate Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at 10:00 am via virtual.

The meeting was called to order by Frank Pietranton, Chair, at 10:03 am, and attendance was taken.

Attendance

Board Members Present: Frank Pietranton, Elizabeth Blakeslee, Ulani Gulstone, Ericka Black, Edward Downs, Patrice Richardson, and Joseph Borger

Board Members Absent: Monique Owens and Ramona Barber

Staff: Stacey Price, Board Administrator; Leon Lewis, Program Manager, Kevin Cyrus, Education Coordinator; Jacqueline Noisette, Deputy Administrator, DLCP and Interim Program Manager, OPL; Kendra Covington, Program Support Specialist; Brittney Cheshier, Program Support Specialist; Shantell Thompson-Weaver, Special Assistant; April Randall, Legislative Director; Shakira Richardson, Program Manager of the Consumer Protection Unit (CPU); Tiffany Crowe, Director of DLCP

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

Public Members: Joe Callahan, Carmie Elmore, Devon Walker, Robert Simpson, Ryan Paulus, Skylar Showell, Anthony Sawyer, Francesca B., Michael Mullings, John Bratton, Elmire Jones

Agenda Item: Comments from the Public

Carmie Elmore expressed comments regarding the property he recently purchased and matters that had not been disclosed prior to purchasing the property. He was advised to submit a claim to the Real Estate Guaranty fund, which the instructions will be provided to him.

Robert Simpson wanted to discuss transfer requested and issues he is having with the system as far as individuals being correctly affiliated with his agency.



Joe Callahan wanted to know if the Commission oversees general services broker contracts for commercial real estate. If it is unlicensed activity of the individuals working for the company, he will have to file a complaint so the DLCP Consumer Protection Unit to further investigate the activities of anyone representing themselves with an international entity.

John Bratton wanted to talk to the commission regarding his application for reinstatement. He was notified that it is still under review and once an update has been made, it will be presented to the commission for further review and he will be notified.

Devon Walker inquired about how real estate individuals can stay aware of legislative changes so ensure they are helping their clients in the best way possible to remain in compliance.

Agenda Item: Executive Session

At approximately 11:47 am, the following motion was made:

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Richardson and properly seconded by Ms. Black, 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 1:13 pm.

Agenda Item: Draft Minutes, April 9, 2024

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Borger and properly seconded by Ms. Richardson, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the draft minutes dated April 9, 2024.

Agenda Item: Application for Licensure Recommendations

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Richardson and properly seconded by Mr. Downs, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the May 14, 2024, Application List administratively approved by OPLA staff, attached hereto and made a part of the May 14, 2024, minutes.

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

1. Approve Brian MacGregor's reinstatement application for a salesperson's license.
2. Defer Christine Olfus reinstatement application for a salesperson's license to June 2024 meeting.
3. Defer Cristian Hernandez reinstatement application for a salesperson's license to June 2024 meeting
4. Defer Bryant Naylor reinstatement application for a salesperson's license to June 2024 meeting



Agenda Item: Complaints and Legal Matters

None

Agenda Item: Education Committee Report

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Downs and properly seconded by Ms. Richardson, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Education Committee Report, attached hereto and made a part of May 9, 2024, minutes.

Agenda Item: Budget Update

The agency director, Tiffany Crowe, communicated with the commission that their spending priorities to satisfy legislative requirements be sent to her so it can be considered in the 2025 fiscal year budget.

Agenda Item: Correspondence

None.

Agenda Item: Old Business

The Fair Housing Instructor Development Workshop will be held on July 25, 2024, at the Martin Luther King Library auditorium.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Downs and properly seconded by Ms. Blakeslee, the Commission voted unanimously to authorize funding for upcoming commission sponsored courses. All continuing education core courses will be offered by the Commission and presented at the Martin Luther King Library. There will be a virtual option offered.

Mr. Downs, Ms. Richardson, Mrs. Price and Mr. Lewis provided a report on the topics that were discussed at the ARELLO 2024 Mid-Year Meeting. Some of the topics that were discussed were: wholesaling, the impact of the National Association of Realtors settlement, a new conference that is being made available for legal authorities in real estate titled ARELLO Legal Exchange (August 6-7, 2024), changes to the administrative process as far as renewal cycles, along with many other topics.

Agenda Item: New Business

The Summer Youth Program is looking for speakers from each board to talk to the students from the program about a future career in the respective industries. The seminar will be held on July 15th and for those interested should contact the board administrative staff.

Agenda Item: Next Meeting

The next scheduled regular meeting is June 11, 2024, 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 1:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank A. Pietranton

Frank Pietranton, Chair
Date: June 11, 2024

Recorder/transcriber: Stacey Price