

# **Occupational and Professional Licensing**

## **District of Columbia Board of Real Estate Appraisers**

**September 21, 2022**

### **Meeting Minutes**

The District of Columbia Board of Real Estate Appraisers held its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, September 21, 2022, at 10:00 am via WebEx conference call.

The meeting was called to order by Tamora Papas, Chair, at 10:30 am and attendance was taken.

#### **Attendance**

Board Members Present: Tamora Papas, Andrew Sullivan, Anthony Bolling

Board Members Absent: Kiara Pesante Haughton, Martin Skolnik

Staff: Leon Lewis, Executive;  
Kevin Cyrus, Board Administrator and Education Coordinator;  
Brittney Cheshier, Program Support Specialist  
Jahmai Jefferson, Program Support Specialist;  
Kendra Covington, Program Support Specialist

Legal Counsel: Marc Nielsen, Assistant General Counsel

Public Members: Richard Picante – Appraiser Trainee  
Scott Dibiasio – Appraisal Institute

#### **Agenda Item: Comments from the Public**

Mr. Picante followed up on his wish to get his Appraiser Trainee license reinstated.

Mr. DiBiasi attended the meeting as an observer.

#### **Agenda Item: Draft Minutes**

Upon motion duly made by Andrew Sullivan and properly seconded by Anthony Bolling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the draft minutes dated July 27, 2022.

#### **Agenda Item: Application for Licensure Recommendations**

Upon motion duly made by Anthony Bolling and properly seconded by Andrew Sullivan, the Board voted unanimously to approve the administratively approved applications list dated September 21, 2022. It was noted that the “application type” column header should show as “reciprocity” and not “new”.

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**Agenda Item: Budget Update**

Mr. Lewis reported that we are working with the CFO regarding the Board's budget and will need to report back regarding their findings.

**Agenda Item: Executive Session**

Upon motion duly made by Andrew Sullivan and properly seconded by Anthony Bolling, the Board unanimously voted to enter 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.

**Agenda Item: Review of Complaints**

**Scott Begab vs Ashish Sharma:** Upon a motion duly made by Andrew Sullivan and properly seconded by Anthony Bolling, the Board voted to send a letter of reprimand and that Mr. Begab completes two education courses: Scope of Work and also Ethics Competency and Negligence. The Board also voted to invite Mr. Begab to the October meeting to address concerns about the complaint.

**Agenda Item: Education**

Kevin Cyrus provided all courses and applications education providers have sent in. All courses were recommended for approval.

**Agenda Item: Correspondence**

None

**Agenda Item: Old Business**

Leon Lewis reported on the pending Agency split. This Board will be part of the Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection.

Leon Lewis reported on the success of the Historic Preservation seminars 101 and 201. Andrew Sullivan and Anthony Bolling suggested that the Board could look into expanding the organizations invited to participate next year.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the Jessica Vittek to take the Certified Residential examination upon a motion by Andrew Sullivan and seconded by Anthony Bolling.

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**Agenda Item: New Business**

Leon Lewis stated that Board is welcoming new staff in Brittney Cheshier as the new Board administrator and Jahmai Jefferson in a supporting role for the Board.

**Agenda Item: Next Meeting**

The next scheduled regular meeting is October 19, 2022, via Webex Conference Call.

**Agenda Item: Adjournment**

Upon motion duly made by Andrew Sullivan and properly seconded by Anthony Bolling, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

*Tamora K Papas*

Tamora K. Papas, Chair

Date: September 21, 2022

Recorder/transcriber: Kevin Cyrus