

# DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER & REGULATORY AFFAIRS OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING DIVISION

# District of Columbia Real Estate Commission 1100 4th Street SW, Room E300 A-B Washington, DC 20024

# Tuesday, February 12, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

The District of Columbia Real Estate Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room E 300A-B, Washington, D.C 20024.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Frank Pietranton at 10:47 am and attendance was taken.

#### **Attendance**

<u>Commission Members Present</u>: Frank Pietranton, Ulani Gulstone, Edward Downs, David Forster, Monique Owens, and Christine Warnke

Telephone Conference: None

Members Absent: Danai Mattison Sky

<u>Staff Present</u>: Asia Dumas, OPLA Investigator, Kevin Cyrus, Education Coordinator, Brittani Strozier Daise, Commission Administrator, Cynthia Briggs, Interim Program Manager,

<u>Legal Counsel</u>: Kia Winston, Assistant Attorney General

<u>Public Members Present</u>: Katalin Peter with GCAAR, Samuel Collins, Tony McConkey

# <u>Agenda Item – Executive Session:</u>

Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Forster and properly seconded by Commissioner 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 at 10:49 am to discuss: complaints and technical applications.

The public session of the meeting was resumed at 11:01 am and attendance was taken.

# Agenda Item - Comments from the Public:

1. Katalin Peter spoke with the Commission regarding GCAAR and the legislation regarding payment of commissions to non-licensed legal entities.

- 2. Samuel Collins requested for the Commission to grant and extension of his property management examination scores and explained his reason for the request.
- 3. Tony McConkey stopped by before the meeting and dropped off his business card. Mr. McConkey expressed interest in joining the Property Management Task Force.

### Agenda Item - Minutes

Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Warnke and properly seconded by Commissioner Forster, the Commission unanimously voted to accept draft minutes dated January 8, 2019.

## Agenda Item- Application for Licensure Recommendations

Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Warnke and properly seconded by Commissioner Owens, the Commission unanimously voted to accept the legal committee recommendations for the following applications:

- 1. In the matter of Samuel Collins-request denied.
- 2. In the matter of Michael Harris-approve.
- 3. In the matter of Thomas Wood-approve.
- 4. In the matter of Marcia Cole-approve.
- 5. In the matter of Rocky Deterts Jr-approve.

# <u>Agenda Items - Complaints and Legal Committee Recommendations</u>

Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Warnke and properly seconded by Commissioner Forster, the Commission unanimously voted to accept the following legal committee recommendations:

- 1. In the matter of Ehren Van Wart-request for licensee to surrender license.
- 2. In the matter of Jennifer Quitugua vs. Aaron Hargrove (OPLA Investigative Report #2017-015) close, no violation.
- 3. In the matter of Zachary Pierce vs. Justin Paulhamus- close, no violation.
- 4. In the matter of Garrett Smith vs. Daniel MacDonald & Samantha Andersonclose, no violation.
- In the matter of Richard Rubin vs. Linda Pellum-forward to OPLA Investigations.
- 6. In the matter of Tiffany Any vs. Sally Yick-close, no jurisdiction.
- 7. In the matter of Tomika Ford Michelle Danson-close, no violation.

#### Agenda Item - Education Report

Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Forster and properly seconded by Commissioner Owens, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the Education Committee Report, attached hereto and made a part of the minutes for February 12, 2019.

## <u> Agenda Item – Budget</u>

There was no budget report reviewed at this meeting.

## <u>Agenda Item – Old Business</u>

A. Real Estate Commission Forum-Kevin Cyrus provided a recap of the forum, including positive feedback from attendees and a medical incident. Commissioner Forster represented the Commission members at the forum.

#### Agenda Item – New Business

- A. <u>Nomination of Vice-Chairs</u>: Commissioner Pietranton nominated the following individuals for Vice-Chair positions:
  - a. Ulani Gulstone-Real Estate Commission
  - b. Christine Warnke-Education Committee
  - c. Edward Downs-Legal Committee
- B. <u>License Renewals- Brokers, Property Managers, and Real Estate Organizations</u>: Brittani Strozier Daise shared with the Commission that current renewal numbers are low. Commission members confirmed they each have received multiple notifications from OPLA to renew their license.
- C. Report- Association of Real Estate License Law Officials Leadership Symposium:
  Commissioner Gulstone provided an overview of her participation at the event,
  which included taking a Myers Briggs test. Commissioner Gulstone discussed the
  benefits of this, the Myers Briggs test, and encouraged Commission members to take
  the assessment. Commissioner Downs provided an overview of his participation,
  including the Board of Directors meeting, ARELLO's grants process, and discussions on
  real estate license portability.
- D. Report- Meeting with the District of Columbia Association of Realtors: Commissioner Downs reviewed important topics and discussions from this meeting on January 22, 2019. Mr. Leon Lewis, Executive, presented at this meeting on the Real Estate Commission's activities for the recent fiscal year, including the Property Management Task Force accomplishments.
- E. <u>Vote- Resumption of the Real Estate Guaranty Fund Assessment Fee:</u> tabled until the March meeting.
- F. <u>Vote- Attendees for ARELLO Annual Conference:</u> tabled until the March meeting.
- G. <u>Report Testimony before Councilmember Anita Bonds:</u> tabled until the March meeting.

#### <u>Agenda Item – Correspondence</u>

 Consumer Federation of America- discussion on this correspondence was tabled until the March meeting.

# Agenda Item: Next Meeting

Next Scheduled Commission Meeting –March 12, 2019 1100 4th Street, SW, Meeting Rom 300 A-B Washington, DC 20024

## Agenda Item: Adjournment

Two commissioners had to leave before adjournment; therefore, the Commission lost its quorum. The meeting ended at 12:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Pietranton, Chair

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Recorder & Transcriber: Brittani Strozier Daise, Commission Administrator