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April 13, 2022
9:30 A.M.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A Meeting of the Board of Auctioneers was held via zoom, April 13, 2022, in Frankfort, KY.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ronald Kirby, Jr.
Gregory Johnson
Bill Patrick
Danny Ray Ford

KENTUCKY REAL ESTATE AUTHORITY

Robert Astorino, Executive Director
Molly B. Cassady, General Counsel
Brian Travis, Investigator
Pam Samples, Board Administrator

CALL TO ORDER:

- Board Chair Kirby called a meeting of the Kentucky Board of Auctioneers to order at 9:44 A.M. Members Kirby, Johnson, Ford, and Patrick were present, and a quorum was established.

Approval of the March 2022 Meeting Minutes:

- Member Johnson made a motion to approve the March 9, 2022, Board meeting minutes, Member Ford seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.

Executive Director Comments:

- Director Robert Astorino addressed the Board and spoke about the success in getting HB436 passed pertaining to going to a two-year renewal period and the Board having emergency subpoena and suspension powers over licensees. Chairman Kirby thank all that participated in getting this bill drafted and getting it sponsored.

New Business/Old Business/Miscellaneous Matters

- **Proctored exams through KCTCS**

Board Coordinator Pam Samples stated that since the March update, 7 people have taken the exam and out of those, 5 people had passed the exam and 2 had failed. We have a total of 28 people that have taken the exam since January. At this time, we have more people registered to take the exam in the near future.

- **2022 License Renewals:**

Board coordinator, Pam Samples stated that the renewal reminders went out on April 6, 2022, for all those that had already completed their continuing education requirement for the year. As of April 12, 160 people have already paid. We still have 204 licensees that have not paid for 2020/2021 and their licenses will be cancelled on April 21, 2022.

- **Update on investigations:**

General Counsel Cassidy stated that Investigator Brian Travis will give his findings of the ongoing investigation in the following case.

- 21-008

- In accordance with the requirements of KRS 61.810(1)(c) and (j) the Board went into closed session at 10:00 AM, Member Ford made a motion to enter executive session. Member Patrick seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.
- At 10:04 AM, Member Johnson made a motion to enter open session. Member Ford seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.
- Member Johnson made a motion for case number 21-008, that the complaint be formally withdrawn at the request of the complainant. Member Ford seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.

Legal update:

- General Counsel Cassidy asked the board members if all of their state government emails were working, and if anyone was having problems. Member Ford stated he was still having some issues with his. Board coordinator, Pam Samples, will send a ticket to COT again to help get this resolved. Ms. Cassidy stated that the Governor had signed HB436 and it would not go into effect until 90 days from the day that the legislative session is over, so the two-year renewal will not go into effect until 2024. Letters/emails will be sent to all education providers and licensees that the two-year renewal will start in 2024. Chairman Kirby stated that the suspension and subpoena power will help the board greatly.

Meetings for 2022

- May 11, June 8, August 10, September 14, October 12, November 9, and December 14. Chairman Kirby states that all meetings are subject to change and in the past we have combined the November and December meetings due to the holiday schedule.

Approval of Timesheets:

- Member Johnson made a motion to approve timesheets, and Member Patrick seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.

Apprentice auctioneers:

- An Apprentice auctioneer has to be affiliated with a Principal Auctioneer the entire time they are licensed as an Apprentice. They can do auctions for other Principals, but only if the Principal they are affiliated with approves this first. That Principal is not required to be there but is required to take responsibility for everything that the Apprentice does because the Apprentice cannot control the escrow account and the Principal has to approve contracts, take care of the escrow account and the money.

Meeting Adjournment

- Member Ford made a motion to adjourn, and Member Johnson seconded the motion. With no further business to discuss, Board Chairman Kirby adjourned the meeting at 10:23 A.M.

I, Robert Astorino, Executive Director of the Kentucky Real Estate Authority, have reviewed and pursuant to KRS 324B.060, have Approved the expenditures of the

**Kentucky Board of Auctioneers
as described in these attached minutes.**

Meeting Date: April 13, 2022.

I have not reviewed, nor did I participate in discussions, deliberations, or decisions regarding, the actions of the Board as it relates to individual disciplinary matters, investigations, or applicant reviews.



Robert Astorino

Robert Astorino, KREA Executive Director

Date: April 15, 2022