AUCTIONEERS REGULATORY REVIEW MEETING MINUTES

The Virginia Auctioneers Board met on May 17, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia 23233.

The following members were present for all of part of the meeting:

Betty Bennett (Auctioneer)

Linda Terry (Auctioneer)

Board member, Angela Smith-Mackey and Douglas Sinclair (Auctioneer) were not present with regrets.

Staff present for all or part of the meeting were:

Demetrios Melis, Director Stephen Kirschner, LRPD Deputy Director Kate Nosbisch, Executive Director Joe Haughwout, Regulatory Affairs Manager Bonnie Davis, Board Operations Administrator Amy Goobic, Executive Assistant

Elizabeth Peay, Assistant Attorney General was present from the Office of the Attorney General.

Ms. Bennett, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:16 a.m.

Call to Order

Ms. Nosbisch stated the Board did not have quorum so there will be no board business.

Ms. Nosbisch advised the Board of the emergency evacuation.

Emergency Evacuation

Ms. Nosbisch introduced Joe Haughwout to the Board as he is the new Regulatory Affairs Manager for the Licensing and Regulatory Programs Division.

Announcements

Tabled until the next meeting on July 11, 2023.

Approval of Agenda

Tabled until the next meeting on July 11, 2023.

Approval of Minutes October

4, 2022

There were no members of the public present to comment.

Public Comment

Period

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Mr. Kirschner provided information on the Universal Licensing Recognition. He stated that the individuals working in a state that does not license or certify auctioneers, may be eligible for licensure in Virginia provided they have worked in the profession for three years and pass any examination required by the Board.

Universal License Recognition

Board members were provided exam scores for informational purposes.

Exam Scores

The Board reviewed comments Ms. Terry received regarding whether continuing education should be removed from the Auctioneers Board regulation requirements for renewal. Discussion was held regarding continuing education and real estate auctions. Ms. Terry stated that required continuing education should include real estate, as real estate laws change frequently,.

Continuing Education

Director Melis stated that auctioneers may again be on a bill, either collectively or separately, to be deregulated. This would require real estate auctions to be held by a licensed real estate agent, and electronic auctions would be unlicensed.

Ms. Nosbisch stated staff will submit the paperwork for redaction of continuing education requirements.

Statutory Review

Ms. Terry requested that real estate continuing education be added to the July 11, 2023 Board meeting agenda.

The Board members were provided the public comments in response to the General Regulatory Reduction Initiative. This item was tabled until the next Board meeting on July 11, 2023.

Auctioncer Comments

Ms. Davis provided the licensee counts as of September 1, 2022: Auctioneers 1,020 and Auctioneer Firms 235.

Licensed Population

Board members were provided financial statements for informational purposes.

Review of Financial Statements

Election of Chair and Vice Chair were tabled until the next meeting on July 11, 2023.

Other Business

Conflict of Interest forms and Travel Vouchers were completed by all members present.

Conflict of Interest Forms / Travel Vouchers

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

Adjourn

Betty Bennett, Vice Chair

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Demetrios Melis, Secretary

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT

TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT for Officers and Employees of State Government

1.	Name:	Betty Bennett	
2.	Title:	Board Member	
3.	Agency:	Auctioneers Board	
4.	Meeting/IFF Date:	Board Meeting May 17, 2023	
5.	I have a personal interest in the following transaction:		
	Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:		
	I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:		
	I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.		
	or	or	
	☐ I did not participate in the transaction.		
6.	I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.		
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STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT

TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT for Officers and Employees of State Government

1.	Name:	Linda Terry	
2.	Title:	Board Member	
3.	Agency:	Auctioneers Board	
1.	Meeting/IFF Date:	Board Meeting May 17, 2023	
5.	I have a personal interest in the following transaction:		
	Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:		
	I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:		
	I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.		
	I did not participate in the transaction.		
5.	I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting. Signature 5/17/23 Date		