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January 23, 2022
9:00 A.M.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A Meeting of the Board of Auctioneers was held in person Sunday, January 23, 2022, at the Kentucky Auction Association's annual convention in Lexington, KY.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ronald Kirby, Jr.
Gregory Johnson
Cliff-Ed Irvin
Danny Ray Ford
Clarence Yancy

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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 9:12 A.M. Members Kirby, Johnson, Irvin, Yancy, and Ford were present, and a quorum was established.

Approval of the December 2021 Meeting Minutes:

- Member Johnson made a motion to approve the December 8, 2021 Board meeting minutes, Member Ford seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.

Executive Director Comments:

- Director Robert Astorino addressed the Board and thanked Chairman Kirby for his invitation for all of us to attend the events at the Kentucky Auction Association's annual convention. He briefly spoke about the staff and Board members and stated what a great job everyone has done. He gave a brief overview of the new proctored exam for Auctioneers.

New Business/Old Business/Miscellaneous Matters

- **Proctored exam through KCTCS**

Board Coordinator Pam Samples stated that as of January 3, 2022, the proctored exams given at the 16 Kentucky Community and Technical College Assessment Centers had started. Five applicants have been registered to take the exam at various locations and the three applicants that have taken the test so far have all passed. Ms. Samples stated that the applicants still had to send in their applications and fees to the Board office and once she had input their information in the database the system automatically sends them an email with a link to create an account, then register by choosing the location, date, and time they want to take the exam. If someone does not have an email or internet Ms. Samples has the ability to go in and register them for the exam herself. Ms. Samples also stated that paper exams have been sent electronically to all exam assessment centers for those applicants that need to take the exam that way. Once the examinee is finished, they will see if they have passed or failed, and an email will be sent to Ms. Samples with the examinee's name, date and location of test, their score and whether they passed or failed. Ms. Samples stated that the next step would be for her to send out a letter via email to the examinee with these results and next steps depending on their score.

- **Updates to the Board of Auctioneers website:**

Board Coordinator, Pam Samples gave an overview of the updates she has been making to the website:

- The Statute and Regulations link now goes to a page that has each one as a pdf attachment that can be clicked on and read instead of it going to the Legislative Research page and having to navigate that site to find them.
- The CORE schedule has been added to the Quick Links tab on the homepage.
- The Board meeting dates for 2022 and the past minutes have been updated and added to the Quick Links tab under "Board Meetings and Minutes", you can scroll to the bottom of the page to click on the Meeting minutes link.
- Under Latest News, a link titled "Examinations are now being scheduled" has been added and you can click on that to read about the new way we are conducting exams through KCTCS.
- Under the Quick Links tab, "Examinations", this will give people further information about the exam process, lists of approved education providers for the pre-licensing courses, how much the exam fee is, and links to the exam application and study guide.
- Further updates to the website will be made in the upcoming months.

- **Legal Update:**

- General Counsel Cassady gave a brief overview of the draft bill and summary of the statute and regulation changes the Board would like to see made.
- General Counsel Cassady also spoke to how the Board interpreted online auctions and live auctions as being the same and that if you were not a Principal auctioneer then you have to have an Auction House Operator's license and hire a Principal auctioneer to conduct your bids.

- **Update on investigations:**

Investigator Brian Travis will give an overview of the ongoing investigations in the following cases

- 21-004
 - 21-006
- In accordance with the requirements of KRS 61.810(1)(c) and (j) the Board went into closed session at 9:58 AM, Member Johnson made a motion to enter executive session. Member Irvin seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.
- At 10:12 AM, Member Ford made a motion to enter open session. Member Johnson seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.
- Member Irvin made a motion for further investigation in these cases. Member Johnson seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.

Next meeting

- February 9, 2022

Approval of Timesheets

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

Motion to go into recess:

- At 10:20 A.M. Member Yancey made a motion to go into recess. Member Ford seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.

Motion to reconvene for the Question and Answer session with the public:

- Member Irvin made a motion to reconvene and go into the Question and Answer session. Member Johnson seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion carried.

Q & A SESSION

- The Board meeting moved to Ballroom A at 11:00 a.m. for the Question and Answer session. The session provides one hour of continuing education credit toward the renewal of a license issued by the Board of Auctioneers.
- KREA staff introduced themselves and gave their background information, which was followed by questions from the public.

Meeting Adjournment

- Member Ford made a motion to adjourn, and Member Irvin seconded the motion. With no further business to discuss, Board Chairman Kirby adjourned the meeting at 11:58 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: January 23, 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, KREA Executive Director

Date: January 28, 2022