

MEETING

WEST VIRGINIA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION
300 CAPITOL STREET, SUITE 400
CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA 25301

August 19, 2020

The Commission met in regular session, on August 19, 2020 at 300 Capitol Street, Charleston West Virginia. The following were in attendance:

Robert D. Kennen, Chairman
James S. Walker, Vice Chairman
Robert Wright II, Secretary
Gregory Duckworth, Commissioner
Margaret Bartles, Commissioner
Jerry A. Forren, Executive Director
Robert W. Rucker, Investigator
Heather N. Casdorff, Investigator
Anthony D. Eates, Counsel

The minutes from the July 15, 2020 meeting approved with motion made by Commissioner Wright and passed.

Appearances

None

Commissioner Walker moved to enter executive session to consider matters described in WV Code 6-9A-4(b)(2)(A), (4), (6) and/or (7); and passed.

Commissioner Wright moved to return to regular session; and passed.

BROKER APPLICANTS

Commissioner Bartles moved to approve the application, for broker license of Ashley Marie Billman, of Falling Waters, WV; and passed.

Commissioner Bartles moved to approve the application, for broker license of Wendy K. Bays, of Fayetteville, WV; and passed.

Commissioner Walker moved to deny the application, for broker license of Jan Warner Ramey, of Hurricane, WV; and passed.

Commissioner Wright moved to approve the application, for broker license of Blaine Howard Ritchie, Jr., of Parkersburg, WV; and passed

Commissioner Wright moved to table the application, for broker license of Jeremy Allen Thompson, of Hedgesville, WV; and passed

APPLICANTS WITH SPECIAL CONSIDERATION

Commissioner Walker moved to approve the application, for salesperson license of Jaimee Kimble, of South Charleston, WV; and passed.

Commissioner Duckworth moved to approve the application, for salesperson license of Cole Edward Valentine, of Fairmont, WV; and passed.

Commissioner Walker moved to approve the application, for salesperson license of Ashley Nicole Mahaney of Rivesville, WV; and passed.

Commissioner Wright moved to approve the application, for salesperson license of Richard Irvin Stout, II, of Rivesville, WV; and passed.

OTHER LICENSURE- RELATED ISSUES

Relating to Jan Hoover and Jodi Warner, Commissioner Bartles moved to file a Commission Initiated Complaint; and passed.

Relating to Property Management Rental & Sales, LLC, Commissioner Wright moved to file a Commission Initiated Complaint; and passed. Property Management Rental & Sales has until August 31, 2020 to complete their Compliance Audit.

COMPLAINTS & INVESTIGATIONS

Relating to Complaint P-20-0018, Commissioner Walker moved to find no probable cause; and passed.

Relating to Complaint P-21-001, Commissioner Wright moved to find probable cause; and passed.

Relating to Complaint C-21-002, with Commissioner Walker recused, Commissioner Bartles moved to find probable cause; and passed.

Relating to Complaint P-21-003, Commissioner Wright moved to find no probable cause; and passed.

REPORTS

Executive Director Report

Executive Director Forren presented his report with updates on the following: The November General Election is coming up soon. The WV Secretary of State Office will contact us if they need our help manning the polls. September 1st is National Poll Workers Day. Comments for the Advertising Rule changes close on Thursday August 20, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. As of today, we have no comments; An update on National Real Estate Companies moving in to the area and issues surrounding this; Most in-person meetings are still cancelled. We are still using Zoom when meetings are necessary; The upcoming Instructor Development Workshop was discussed. We will be holding this in-person and have made the appropriate arrangements for social distancing and PPE. All questions and concerns were addressed.

Broker Audit

Broker reports were reviewed and all questions and concerns were addressed.

Budget/Financial

Executive Director Forren reviewed the year-to-date financials as budgeted. Commissioner Wright moved to receive the report as given and passed.

Settlement / Compliance Report

C-20-006 - Melton and Eskew was updated.

Education Report

All continuing education CE's were approved. The New Licensee Report was reviewed. All questions and concerns were addressed.

Legislative Report

Executive Director Forren updated the Commission on the response to the Joint Government Organization Committee, concerning their request for information.

Personnel Matters

None

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

New Business

None

Old Business / Ongoing Projects

None

POLICIES, PRACTICES AND RULE CHANGES

Payment of Licensees – There was a lengthy discussion on this and no action taken.

TRAVEL AND PER DIEM EXPENSES

Per Diem payments were reported by the Commissioners as follows:

Robert D. Kennen	5 days
James S. Walker	3 days
Bob Wright	3 days
Greg Duckworth	3 days
Margaret Bartles	3 days

The next meeting of the Real Estate Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, September 16, 2020.

Commissioner Bartles made a motion to adjourn; and passed.

APPROVED: 9-16-2020

Robert H. Kemmer

Chairman

Robert L. Wuyt II

Secretary