#### **STATE OF CONNECTICUT**

### **DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION**

#### CONNECTICUT REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

#### **Minutes of Meeting**

October 1, 2008

The Connecticut Real Estate Commission convened for a Meeting on Wednesday, October 1, 2008 at 9:15 a.m. in Room 126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106.

Commissioners Present:	Barbara Thompson, G Joseph B. Castongua Lana K. Ogrodnik Marilyn Keating, Vic Theodore F. Ells Joseph H. Kronen Morag L. Vance James Hoffman	y, ce-Chairperson	$(Broker - 2^n)$ (Broker - 5 <sup>th</sup> ) (Salesperson) (Public Men) (Public Men) (Public Men)	<sup>a</sup> District) $-4^{th}$ District) $aber - 3^{rd}$ District) $aber - 1^{st}$ District) $aber - 4^{th}$ District) $-4^{th}$ District)	
Commissioners Absent:	None				
Commission Vacancy:	None				
Attorney General's office:	None				
DCP Staff present:	Sallie Pinkney, Commission Secretary Laureen Rubino, Real Estate Superviso Vicky Bullock, Attorney		sor Real	Occ/Pro Licensing Division Real Estate Unit Legal Division	
Public Present:	John Izzo Irisa Huang Keith Thomas Bill Ethier Russell Luery Victoria Fingilly	Herman Huang Danielle King Larry Hannafin Liz Verna Mary Jane Cirr Patricia Suther	n rone	Chris Chan Brade Rainey George LaCave Bob Broouer Edward J. Delcehuntyor Marilyn Harlin	

The next Meeting of this Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, December 3, 2008 at 9:15 a.m. in Room 126

Note: The administrative functions of this Commission are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information please call Laureen M. Rubino, Real Estate Supervisor and Real Estate Commission Administrator, at (860) 713-6135 or visit www.ct.gov/dcp.

### 1. MINUTES:

a. Minutes of Meeting of August 6, 2008 were reviewed. It was moved by Commissioner Kronen, Commissioner Castonguay 2<sup>nd</sup>, Commissioner Vance abstained and the vote carried to approve the Minutes as amended,

# 2. CHRO APPLICANTS APPEARING

- a. Carrero Joseph Res. 788554 **No Show**
- b. Izzo John Reb. 0788114 It was moved by Commissioner Ells, Commissioner Kronen 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to approve his sales person application.
- c. Huang Herman Res. 0788399 It was moved by Commissioner Kronen, Commissioner Castonguay 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to approve his application subject to him providing proof of clean urine report, compliance of probation report, and notification to DCP if change his Broker Sponsor (Misa Huang).
- d. Jacobs Barry Res. 0787495 No Show.
- e. King Danielle Res. 0788172 It was moved by Commissioner Kronen, Commissioner Ells 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to approve her sales person application.
- f. Thomas Keith Res. 0788438 It was moved by Commissioner Kronen, Commissioner Vance 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to approve his sales person application.
- g. Young Michael Res. 0774258- No Show.
- h. Brad Rainey salespersons applicant. It was moved by Commissioner Kronen, Commissioner Vance 2<sup>nd</sup>. Commissioner Kronen withdrew his motion. Commissioner Vance withdrew her 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to withdraw the motion.

It was moved by Commissioner Kronen, Commissioner Vance 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to table this item until the December's meeting, and request that Mr. Rainey appear with the following documents:

- > Probation completion letter from probation officer
- > Three letters of recommendations
- > A letter from a Sponsoring Broker outlining a program specifically design for the applicant.

### 3. TRADE PRACTICE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

a. Michelle Erling, presented the Trade Practice Metrics Report.

# 4. <u>LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL UPDATE</u>

- a. Sec. 20-321 & Sec. 20-323 -
- b. Sec. 20-314a Approval of instructors Fees for school registrations & Course approvals
  It was moved by Commissioner Kronen, Commissioner Ogrodnik 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to have a letter drafted to DCP Commissioner Jerry Farrell requesting Legal representation from the Attorney Generals office to address numerous matters that appeared on the Real Estate Commission meeting agenda, and a copy forwarded to Alan Ponanski, Assistant Attorney General.

# 5. <u>REPORT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON</u>

**a.** The Chairperson had a brief discussion re: an Advisory Committee be formed to investigate changing the Continuing Education content for Commercial licensee.

# 6. <u>LAPSED REAL ESTATE SALESPERSON/BROKERS</u>

Request for Reinstatement. Lapsed greater than two years Sec: 20-314 (f)

- a. Cohen Charles Reb. 0128652 No Show
- b. Delahunty Edward J. Jr. Reb. 168810 appearing It was moved by Commissioner Keating, Commissioner Vance 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to allow him to take the Real Estate Broker's exam subject to him completing the six hours of the Real Estate mandatory 2008 continuing education course and 30 hours of Real Estate Principles & Practice courses.
- c. Herlin Marilyn Res. 0307254 \$500.00 civil penalty appearing.
- d. Luery Russell Res. 0415888
- e. Panicker John Reb. 519988 It was moved by Commissioner Castonguay, Commissioner Keating 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to approve his reinstatement subject to him taking a 6 hour Appraisal course.
- f. Sutherland Patricia Reb 519988 \$500.00 civil penalty appearing

Chairperson Thompson without objection moved to postponed items 6 c, d, f until legal interpretation is clarified through the legal counsel.

g. It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Keating 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to request that legal representation from the Assistant Attorney General's office attend the CREC meetings to assist in legal matters that arise during the meeting.

### 7. <u>CONSENT/SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS</u>

- a. Lori Schrager Res. 0760075. It was moved by Commissioner Kronen, Commissioner Ogrodnik 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to accept the agreement.
- b. 2006 & 2008 C.E. Consent Agreements (see below). It was moved by Commissioner Kronen, Commissioner Ogrodnik 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to accept the Consent agreements below.
  - 1. Robert Maneria 24
  - 2. Leona Ethberg 23
  - 3. James Desmond 22
  - 4. Paul Benson 21
  - 5. Eugene Witherwool 30
  - 6. Jeffery Ryner 20
  - 7. Susan Lowenpaul 19
  - 8. Oren Soberman 18
  - 9. Frank Stronno 174
  - 10. Nerva White 15
  - 11. John Rostenberg 14
  - 12. R. Blanco Consultant 13
  - 13. Scott Zacos 12
  - 14. Mitchell Erder 11
  - 15. Warren Matthew10
  - 16. Tera Tech 9
  - 17. Guida Golpe 8
  - 18. George Colley 7
  - 19. Kevin Ismen 6
  - 20. Washington Real Estate 5
  - 21. Jeff Stard 4
  - 22. Sutton Edward 3
  - 23. Joseph Divido
  - 24. Maureen Jacobson 33 b
  - 25. Benson Commercial 29
  - 26. Alexander Depas 27
  - 27. Levin Management 25
  - 28. Prestige Realty 26
  - 29. Robin Gregory 31
  - 30. Bruce Taylor 32
  - 31. Metropolitian Real Estate Agency 33 a
  - 32. AgnesTargonski 28

### 8. <u>APPLICATIONS</u>

- a. Bajaio Albert Broker application. Educational equivalency. Mark Over 12/3/08
- b. Greenfield Stuart Res. Attorney applicant. It was moved by Commissioner Keating, Commissioner Kronen 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to approve his Real Estate salespersons application.
- c. Lathuras-Wehrle Tommie Reb. 0788262. It was moved by Commissioner Ogrodnik, Commissioner Castonguay 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to deny her Real Estate Broker's application, however she can take the Salespersons exam.

#### 9. <u>REQUEST FOR EQUIVALENT CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT</u>

a. Cranmer Lester Res. 0766171 Requests 6hrs elective C.E. It was moved by Commissioner Ells, Commissioner Kronen 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to approve his request.

### 10. REQUEST FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION WAIVER/EXTENSIONS

- a. Rohinsky Irving Reb 0581175 Seeks waiver. It was moved by Commissioner Kronen, Commissioner Ells 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried that a civil penalty of Three Hundred dollars (\$300.) be paid, and completion of 2008 continuing education requirement by 12/31/08.
- b. O'Brien Claudia Res 0760832 Seeks extension. It was moved by Commissioner Ogrodnik, Commissioner Kronen 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to grant her an extension until 12/31/08,

### 11. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

- a. GSA Mileage Reimbursement was reviewed
- b. PSI Real Estate Examination Statistics Summary was reviewed
- c. Credential counts ACTIVE was reviewed
- d. Real Estate C.E. Audit 2008 was reviewed
  - Number of Brokers audited 569
  - Number of Salespersons audited 1189
- e. Blanket course Approval for Attorney Applicants that PSI can approve. No action taken.
- f. Home Builders Association of CT. Letter regarding employees. Home Builders Association of CT appeared to discuss the probability of the CT Real Estate Commission to support their quest to a legislative change. The Commission concluded that DCP and the staff of the Home Builders Association of CT gather data for further review and discuss at the December's meeting.
- g. Guaranty Fund Report was reviewed.

### 12. OLD BUSINESS

Letter to William Raveis regarding Target 20 Program was reviewed.

Smeriglio, Bernadette seeks reconsideration of decision of 8/6/08. The decision stands.

### 13. COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT

a. None

### 14. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

a. None

### 15. ADJOURNMENT

a. It was moved by Commissioner Ogrodnik, Commissioner Kronen 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the vote carried to adjourn the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Salle Pinkney, Commission Secretary Occupational Professional Licensing Division