#### STATE OF CONNECTICUT CONNECTICUT REAL ESTATE COMMISSION Minutes of Meeting October 5, 2016

The Connecticut Real Estate Commission convened on Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at 9:22 a.m. in Room-126 of the State Office Building,165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106.

Commissioners Present:	Joseph B. Castonguay, Acting Chairman Lana K. Ogrodnik Amy Bergquist Linda C. Burnham Morag L. Vance Theodore F. Ells, Esq.	<ul> <li>(Broker – 2<sup>nd</sup> District)</li> <li>(Broker – 5<sup>th</sup> District)</li> <li>(Broker – 1<sup>st</sup> District)</li> <li>(Salesperson – 2<sup>nd</sup> District)</li> <li>(Public Member – 4<sup>th</sup> District)</li> <li>(Public Member – 3<sup>rd</sup> District)</li> </ul>
Commissioners Absent:	Joseph H. Kronen	(Public Member – 1 <sup>st</sup> District)
Commission Vacancy:	Salesperson (1)	
Attorney General's Office:	None	
DCP Staff Present:	Kelly Harvey Richard Maloney Robin Washbond	
Public Present:	Gregg Saunders Beth Mecteau	

# MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ogrodnik 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2016 Connecticut Real Estate Commission meeting.

The Commission welcomed back Real Estate Examiner, Kelly Harvey.

### COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY

None

## **REQUEST FOR WAIVER**

Gregg Saunders – Requesting waiver of 60 hour Principles and Practices of Real Estate Course in order to sit for Real Estate Salesperson exam

It was moved by Commissioner Bergquist, Commissioner Burnham 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the motion carried unanimously to **deny** the request for a waiver of the 60 hour Principles and Practices of Real Estate Course.

### OLD BUSINESS

Shawn Aldridge – Seeking approval of Salesperson application. Broker application denied by Commission at August meeting.

Director Maloney informed the Commission that Mr. Aldridge has been in communication with the Department and that his salesperson application will be processed subject to receipt of the required documents; therefore no action was taken by the Commission.

### Rodney Waters – Seeking approval of two online Appraisal courses in lieu of classroom prelicensing courses. Commission denied request at August meeting.

Mr. Waters did not appear at today's meeting. It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Bergquist 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the motion carried unanimously to **deny** this request based on new background documentation brought forward by the Department.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

 Request from Shawn Council, Esq. to arbitrate a dispute pursuant to Section 20-311f of the Connecticut General Statutes

It was moved by Commissioner Ogrodnik, Commissioner Vance 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the motion carried unanimously to **deny** Attorney Council's request to have the Commission arbitrate the dispute.

 2017 Real Estate Commission Meeting Dates-February 1, April 5, June 7, August 2, October 4 and December 6 The Commission noted the meeting dates for 2017.

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# COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY

Director Maloney reported that the September Real Estate Instructor's Seminar was very informative and suggested that the Commission members consider attending the next seminar in April 2017. Director Maloney also added that Lucy Michaud (UCONN Center for Real Estate) presented the Broker P&P course at the seminar.

Real Estate Examiner Kelly Harvey informed the Commission that the 'Fair Housing' Course is currently only offered in a classroom setting and that the Department has obtained permission to submit the course to Dearborn to write the course and obtain ARELLO approval for schools interested in offering it as an online course.

Director Maloney stated that a continuing education audit for Brokers is a Department priority for the next CE cycle, and that a 100% Salesperson audit was conducted during the last CE cycle.

Director Maloney commented that the Real Estate Regulations should be updated and asked the Commission members for their recommendations. Examiner Harvey made a suggestion to offer the 60 hour Principles and Practices pre-licensing course as an online course.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Burnham 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the motion carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Washbond Commission Secretary

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The next meeting of this Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at 9:15 a.m., in Plaza North Hearing Room J, 450 Columbus Blvd