STATE OF CONNECTICUT **CONNECTICUT REAL ESTATE COMMISSION Minutes of Meeting** April 4, 2018

The Connecticut Real Estate Commission convened on Wednesday, April 4, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in Hearing Room J, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT 06103

Joseph B. Castonguay, Acting Chairman (Broker – 2nd District) Commissioners Present:

(Broker – 1st District) **Amy Bergquist** (Broker – 5th District) (Salesperson – 4th District) Lana K. Ogrodnik

Peter L. Gray (Public Member – 4th District) Morag L. Vance

(Salesperson – 2nd District) Commissioners Absent: Linda C. Burnham

(Public Member- 3rd District) Theodore F. Ells, Esq.

Commission Vacancy: Public Member (1)

Attorney General's Office: None

DCP Staff Present: William Zenga

> Paulette Annon Kelly Harvey Robin Washbond

Public Present: Kristen Haseney

Giuseppe Boccanfuso

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ogrodnik 2nd, and the motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2018 Connecticut Real Estate Commission meeting.

Commissioner Ells was not present at today's meeting due to a death in the family.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY

None

NEW BUSINESS

Giuseppe Boccanfuso – Seeking reconsideration of Real Estate Salesperson application, which was denied at the June 3, 2015 Commission meeting

The Commission postponed this matter and requested that Mr. Boccanfuso reappear at the June 6, 2018 meeting with his sponsoring broker, and suggested that he provide documentation to support his application including letters from his probation officer, and others who will attest to his character for review by the Commission.

Residential Property Condition Disclosure Report Addendum

Real Estate Examiner, Kelly Harvey, stated that the emails recently sent by the Department to licensees concerning the use of the Real Estate Disclosure Addendum has caused much confusion and she explained that the Addendum is not a mandatory form, and its use is optional until the original Disclosure form is updated.

The Commission asked Attorney Annon for a report from the DCP Commissioner on the status of the regulations; where it is in the process and if there is still an opportunity for input from the Commission on this matter.

Teams/Signage/Advertising

The Commission discussed the use/advertising of Teams in the real estate marketplace and decided that they will draft a policy regarding the use of Teams. Additionally, the Commission discussed signage and the specific requirements to avoid misrepresenting the broker to the public. The Commission unanimously agreed to draft a policy regarding signage.

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At the December 6, 2017 meeting Acting Chairman Castonguay requested clarification regarding the 'Dual Agency/Designated Agency Disclosure Notice and Consent Agreement' form, specifically regarding who is allowed to appoint designated agents.

At today's meeting Attorney Annon stated that Pursuant to CGS 20-325i, Designated buyer agents and seller agents, a broker may authorize anyone licensed under chapter 392, which includes a

salesperson, to appoint one or more designated seller or buyer agents as an additional agent for a buyer or seller. This appointment is only for a particular transaction. The broker's authorization of a salesperson, for example, to appoint designated buyer or seller agents does not, in any way, confer any other authority on the authorized salesperson than to make such appointments.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ogrodnik 2nd, and the motion carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:09 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Washbond Commission Secretary

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director at (860) 713-6135 or Fax: (860)706-1202.

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The next meeting of this Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, August 1, 2018 at 10:00 a.m., in Hearing Room B, 450 Columbus Blvd, Hartford, CT 06103