

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
LOUISIANA REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS BOARD

June 7, 2021

The Louisiana Real Estate Appraisers Board held its regular business meeting, via Zoom teleconference, at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, June 7, 2021, according to regular call, of which all members of the board were duly notified, at which meeting the following members were present:

BOARD

Kara A. Platt, Chair
Rebecca A. Rothschild, Secretary
Daniel A. Blanchard
H. Carter Leak, IV
Mark A. Major
Terry L. Myers
F. Troy Williams
Margaret K. Young

STAFF

Bruce Unangst, Executive Director
Arlene Edwards, Legal Counsel
Summer Mire, Deputy Director
Anne Brassett, Program Administrator
Malissa Fowler
Mark Gremillion
Allison O'Toole
Henk vanDuyvendijk
Nikki Wallace
Jenny Yu

Board members Robert McKinnon and Robert Russell were unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Blanchard signed on at 9:50 a.m.

GUESTS

Cheryl Bella
Melissa Bond

Call to Order

Ms. Platt called the meeting to order. Ms. Rothschild called roll to ensure a quorum was present. Mr. Williams led the Invocation; Ms. Platt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

On motion made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Major, the minutes of the March 15, 2021 and April 7, 2021 meetings were unanimously approved as written.

Budget Report

Ms. Yu provided the budget report for the period ending May 31, 2021 (*See Attachment A*). Revenue is up by \$20,000.00, and the budget remains in good shape.

Director's Report

Director Unangst anticipates this will be our last Zoom meeting, and looks forward to seeing everyone in person again. He reported on the ASC State Off-Site Assessment (SOA) of Louisiana's Appraiser Program, conducted April 19-21, 2021. While there were no major areas of concern, it was noted that the continuing education audit failure rate in 2019 and 2020 was higher than the 10% allowance and remedial action must be taken if this occurs with the 2021 audit.

Ms. Mire will be interviewing candidates this week for the new full-time Appraiser Board Assistant position.

Director Unangst advised that the LREC/LREAB has contracted with a new testing service, Pearson VUE, and he anticipates the transition will take place in September.

The LREAB plans to hold an "Appraisers Day" event sometime in August. Board members were asked to think of topics, etc., that would be of interest to appraisers attending the forum.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

Mr. vanDuyvendijk is planning on scheduling the LREAB-sponsored "Louisiana Supervisor/Trainee Course" during the month of August. He suggested that the Board may wish to seriously consider making the class mandatory, which will require amendments to our law/rules. He and Ms. Young see so many problems with the execution of the experience logs during their reviews; applicants need to be aware of how to properly complete the experience application. Director Unangst feels the combination of education and enforcement is a good instructional tool.

On motion made by Mr. Leak and seconded by Mr. Williams, the Board voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session to discuss the pending litigation with iMortgage Services, LLC,

Executive Session

Mr. Leak made motion, seconded by Ms. Rothschild, to reconvene the meeting. Motion passed without opposition.

Ms. Platt requested that the three-year residency requirement be removed from our law/rules. She asked that this be placed on the agenda for discussion at the next business meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned on motion made by Mr. Myers and seconded by Ms. Young. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Kara Platt, Chairperson

Rebecca Rothschild, Secretary