

MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF  
LOUISIANA REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS BOARD

May 16, 2022

The Louisiana Real Estate Appraisers Board held its regular business meeting at 10:00 a.m., Monday, May 16, 2022, at 9071 Interline Avenue, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, according to regular call, of which all members of the board were duly notified, at which meeting the following members were present:

**BOARD**

Rebecca A. Rothschild, Chairwoman  
F. Troy Williams, Vice Chairman  
Robert L. Russell, Secretary  
Daniel A. Blanchard  
Michelle Foret  
H. Carter Leak, IV  
Terry L. Myers  
Bennett E. Oubre  
Kara A. Platt  
Margaret K. Young

**STAFF**

Bruce Unangst, Executive Director  
Arlene Edwards, Legal Counsel  
Anne Brassett, Program Administrator  
Allison Burnette, Program Administrator  
Malissa Fowler  
Mark Gremillion  
Telly Hollis  
Nikki Wallace  
Jenny Yu

**GUESTS**

Cheryl Bella  
Janis Bonura

**Call to Order**

Ms. Rothschild called the meeting to order. Mr. Russell called roll to ensure a quorum was present.

**Approval of Minutes**

On motion made by Mr. Russell and seconded by Mr. Williams, the minutes of the February 25, 2022 meeting were unanimously approved as written and circulated.

**Budget Report**

Ms. Yu provided the budget report for the period ending April 30, 2022 (*See Attachment A*). She noted that the Board has received grant money from the Appraisal Subcommittee (ASC), for this fiscal year, totaling \$64,975.00. The budget is in good shape, with a positive cash flow.

Let the record reflect Mr. Leak's arrival at 10:10 a.m.

### **Director's Report**

Director Unangst addressed the Board, advising that this will be his last meeting as Executive Director. He is very confident of a smooth transition with Ms. Mire stepping into his position. He has enjoyed his tenure as director for the LREC and LREAB, and he thanked everyone for making his job a pleasant and easy one. Board members thanked him for his dedication and service.

**Unfinished Business** – No report given.

### **New Business**

Ms. Rothschild thanked Mr. vanDuyvendijk for the superb job he did in developing the new Board-sponsored "Supervisor/Trainee Course". She requested assistance from Board members willing to review and provide feedback on the final draft. Ms. Foret, Mr. Russell, Ms. Young, and Mr. Oubre volunteered to assist Mr. vanDuyvendijk.

Board members and staff, who recently attended the AARO Conference in San Antonio, advised that it was a great experience and very informative. The Appraisal Foundation launched its new website, and will introduce podcasts and newsletters. There was also a meeting on data breach that, while interesting, was very disturbing. Washington State was hacked and unable to operate for several months.

Another relevant issue at the forefront of today's appraisal industry is fair housing. Congress has put together the Property Appraiser Valuation Equity (PAVE) Report, which was discussed at length during the conference. Educators and appraisers need to be well educated on fair housing. While the Board can't mandate that all appraisers complete a course on this topic, they can strongly encourage it. Mr. Russell made motion, seconded by Ms. Young, to accept Fair Housing seminars for appraiser continuing education credit. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

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

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Rebecca Rothschild, Chair

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Robert Russell, Secretary