

ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF AUCTIONEERS

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MINUTES Board Meeting July 7, 2011

The Alabama State Board of Auctioneers met on Thursday, July 7, 2011, at the Board offices in Montgomery for the purpose of conducting Board business. Those in attendance were as follows: Mr. Ken Garner (Chair), Mr. Bryant Wood, (Vice Chair), Mr. Bryan Knox (Secretary/Treasurer), Mr. Johnny Vetra, Member, and Mr. Michael Langford, Member. Board members, Mr. David Starnes, Mr. Buddy Ray and Mr. Mark Lane, were not in attendance. The Board, consisting of a quorum, continued with a voting meeting. Also present were Mr. Keith Warren (Executive Director), Ms. Dana Billingsley (Board Counsel); Ms. Hope Paulene (Executive Assistant), Mr. Carl Mike James (Board Investigator), and Ms. Renee' Reames (Executive Secretary to Mr. Warren).

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was advertised on the Board's web site, www.auctioneer.alabama.gov, and the Secretary of State's website, www.sos.state.al.us, in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act. Mr. Garner welcomed members present at the meeting and Mr. Warren gave the opening statement concerning Roberts Rules of Order and the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

A copy of the April 7, 2011 meeting minutes were provided to the Board prior to the meeting for their review. Mr. Knox made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes and to accept the April 7, 2011 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vetra and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented the Executive Director's Report to include the Executive Assistant's Report. A detailed list of deposits and vouchers was provided to the Board for their review. Ms. Paulene commented on the number of licensees and renewals received, along with renewals to be mailed in July. The Board discussed concerns about revenue generated from licenses and the Board agreed to send to licensees, at the time that renewal notices are mailed, the licensure information about corporate licenses, and the corporate applications would be mailed to licensees at the time when their licenses are mailed.

Ms. Billingsley indicated, for the Legal Counsel's Report, that there were no new items to report. The Board expressed concern over exclusive Internet auction activities. Ms. Billingsley summarized the existing Attorney General's opinion on this matter. The Board discussed their concerns about their jurisdiction to protect the public in these matters. Mr. Warren suggested that he meet with members of the legislature, during the next session in 2012, to provide them additional information regarding the Board's concerns.

The Board discussed the Board's Rule allowing current Board members to acquire 4 hours CE credits for service as Board members.

Mr. Warren indicated that the Board terms for Messrs. Lane, Starnes, Vetra and Ray were expiring as of October 30, 2011: The Board discussed obtaining recommendations from Mr. Ray regarding Board candidates from his district, since he is not eligible for reappointment.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is October 6, 2011, at 9:00 a.m.

There being no further business, Mr. Wood made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 a.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vetra and unanimously approved by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ken Garner
Chair


Keith E. Warren
Executive Director


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