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MINUTES Board Meeting **October 13, 2020**

The Alabama State Board of Auctioneers met on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at the Board office in Montgomery. During the COVID 19 State of Emergency, the meeting was held via a video-conference call. Members in attendance on the call were Mr. Pete Horton (Board Chair), Mr. Mike Fisher (Vice Chair), Mr. Erskine Valrie (Secretary), Mr. Keith McDaniel (member), Mr. John Gray (member) Mr. Chad Curvin (member) and Mr. Michael Langford (member). Member not in attendance was Mr. Chip Pearce. Also participating onsite were Mr. Keith Warren (Executive Director), Ms. Hope Childers (Administrator), Mr. Dennis Trammell (Investigator), Mr. Mike Weeks (legislative liaison) and Ms. Renee' Reames (recording secretary). Chairman Horton called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and Ms. Reames called Board roll. Mr. Warren indicated that a quorum of the members was present to conduct business.

The meeting was advertised on the Board's web site, www.auctioneer.alabama.gov, and the Secretary of State's website, www.sos.alabama.gov, in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act. A word of prayer was given at the opening of the meeting and Mr. Warren gave the opening statement concerning Roberts Rules of Order and the Alabama Open Meetings Act. Chairman Horton welcomed members and other participants on the conference call.

Chairman Horton presented a copy of the September 1, 2020 meeting minutes for the Board's approval. A copy of the minutes was distributed to the Board members prior to the meeting for their review. Mr. Valrie made a motion to accept the September minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gray and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented the Executive Director's Report (report available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes). The report included the financial activities of the Board for the period ending September 30, 2020, along with a line-item summary of expenses. He reported on the number of licensees, as well as the number of complaints received and investigated for FY 2020 and delinquent disciplinary fines. He reported that he was working on collecting these fines through an outside collection company.

Mr. Warren also presented the Administrator's Report, which included a summary of examination statistics and licensing activities accomplished since the last Board meeting.

Mr. McDaniel made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fisher and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren reported that he had met with iGOV on updating the Board's licensee database. This new database would allow applicants and licensees to apply online. He reported that the cost for the services would be \$1200 per month, with additional costs for updates and maintenance. He indicated that additional information would be presented at the Board's next meeting for their consideration and would provide the members a link to the system for review.

Mr. Warren reported that he had contacted NALLOA about the delays in obtaining licensing in Florida and had spoken with the Florida Licensing department about the Board's concerns.

Mr. Warren reminded the Board that proposed legislation had been presented during the 2020 legislative session. During Board discussion, there were no modifications to the proposed language. Mr. Weeks indicated that he would contact the prior sponsors, Representative Isbell and Senator Price, about sponsoring the 2021 proposed legislation. Mr. Warren reported that he would request an updated version of the bills from the Alabama Legislative Service Agency (LSA).

Mr. Warren presented a list of proposed meeting dates in 2021 for the Board to conduct regular business. Mr. Fisher made the motion to approve the following 2021 meeting dates: January 12th, April 13th, July 13th and October 19th. The motion was seconded by Mr. McDaniel and unanimously approved by the Board.

Chairman Horton reported that annual election of Board officers was due. Mr. Fisher made the motion that the Board officers remain the same with Mr. Horton as Board Chair, Mr. Fisher as Vice Chair and Mr. Valrie as Secretary. The motion was seconded by Mr. McDaniel and unanimously approved by the Board.

Chairman Horton reported on the Annual Meeting of the Alabama Auctioneers Association held on October 11 and 12, 2020 in Birmingham and the good speakers during the meeting. He acknowledged the Board's sponsorship of the CE event held during the meeting.

Chairman reminded the members about the next Board meeting to be held January 12, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Mr. Warren reported that he would keep the Board advised about having the meeting onsite or virtually based on the State of Emergency due to the pandemic.

There was no further business by the Board and Mr. Gray made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fisher and unanimously approved by the Board. Chairman Horton adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pete Horton
Board Chair

Keith E. Warren
Executive Director

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