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MINUTES
Board Meeting
August 12, 2025

The Alabama State Board of Auctioneers met on Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 9:00 a.m., at the Board's office located at 2740 Zelda Road in Montgomery, AL. The meeting was advertised on the Board's website, www.auctioneer.alabama.gov, and the Secretary of State's website, www.sos.alabama.gov, in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

Members in attendance were Mr. Mike Fisher (Board Chair), Mr. Chad Curvin (Board Vice Chair), Ms. Angella Morgan (member), Mr. Randall Grissett (member), Mr. Scott Barnes (member), Mr. Russ Wood (member), Mr. Keith McDaniel (member) and Mr. Chip Pearce (member). .Also in attendance were Mr. Keith Warren (Executive Director), Mr. Cameron Elkins (Assistant Attorney General and Board Counsel), Ms. Hope Childers (Board Administrator), and Ms. Renee' Reames (recording secretary).

Chairman Fisher called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. Mr. Warren called the Board member roll and indicated that all members were present. A word of prayer was given and the pledge of allegiance was recited by attendees. Mr. Warren read aloud the opening statement concerning Robert's Rules of Order and the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

Approval of Meeting Agenda: Chairman Fisher presented a copy of the agenda for the August 12, 2025 Board meeting. Board Terms was added to the agenda under new business.
MOTION: Mr. McDaniel made a motion to approve the August meeting agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Ms. Morgan and unanimously approved by the Board. It was noted that the presiding Chairman would not vote on matters except in case of a tie vote.

Approval of Minutes: Chairman Fisher presented a copy of the minutes from May 13, 2025 regular Board meeting for the Board's approval.
MOTION: Ms. Morgan made a motion to approve the May meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Barnes and unanimously approved by the Board.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:
Mr. Warren presented the Executive Director's Report. A copy of the report was provided to the members prior to the meeting (report available in the Board's official Book of Minutes). Mr. Warren reported on the number of active licenses (#705) for auctioneers, apprentices and auction companies.

Also included were licensure exam activities. He indicated that the Board was receiving notifications about online auction companies and companies were issued letters of concern to cease auctions and to comply with licensure requirements by September 30, 2025.

Mr. Warren also presented the complaint activities for the current fiscal year, along with the status of complaints for fiscal years 2021through 2025 and reviewed other licensing statistics and activities performed by the staff since the last Board meeting held in May. Mr. Elkins reported that in the matter of outstanding fines, the Board could file an injunctive relief with the District Attorney's office.

New Licenses Issued: Mr. Warren reviewed the list of new licenses issued since the last Board meeting and indicated that the license renewal period was open. The Board inquired about the growth in the number of licensees, and Mr. Warren indicated that a 10-year analysis of active licenses by licensing designations would be prepared for the Board.
MOTION: Mr. Curvin made the motion to ratify the approval of new licenses issued by the Executive Director. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pearce and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren reported that he was working on incorporating into the online licensing process the ability to print licenses online.

Financial Report: Mr. Warren presented the financial activities of the Board for the period of May 1, 2025 through July 31, 2025. He reviewed the revenue and expenses for the reported period to include anticipated revenue and expenses for the remainder of the fiscal year. He reviewed the amount of expenditures in FY 2025 compared to the budget and reported a projected positive cash balance was for the end of year. Supporting financial documentation was also provided in the report (available in the Board's official Book of Minutes).
MOTION: Mr. Pearce made the motion to accept the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Barnes and unanimously approved by the Board.

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT
Mr. Elkins reported on the Investigative Committee recommendations concerning three complaints (report available in the Board's official Book of Minutes):
Case 2025-003 – Founded and case scheduled for a hearing with the Board members attending and consider the recommendations of an ALJ.
Case 2025-004 – Unfounded. Administratively close the case.
Case 2025-005 – Unfounded. Close the case with no probable cause found in the case.

MOTION: Mr. Pearce made the motion to accept the recommendations of the Investigative Committee on the three cases presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Grissett and unanimously approved by the Board, with Mr. Barnes and Mr. Curvin recused from voting as members of the Committee.

UPDATE ON AUCTIONEER ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES
Chairman Fisher report that the annual meeting of the Alabama Auctioneers Association would be held in Gulf Shores on August 23-26, 2025 at a new location. Board members were invited to the August annual meeting.

The members offered their congratulations to Chairman Fisher on being elected the Vice President of the National Auction Association.

OLD BUSINESS

Examination Study Guide Update: Mr. Warren indicated that he had not received a report on the list of topics from PROV pertaining to the Study Guide updates submitted by the Association.

Update on PR Campaign Agreement and Activities: Mr. Warren reported that the contract with the Auctioneer Association to provide public relation services and public awareness of licensure requirements for online auctions, was presented to the Contract Review Committee to approve. He indicated that the contract was held by the Committee and would not be presented to the Governor until 45 days had passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing and Final Rule 150-X-1-.14 Board Policies and Procedures: Mr. Warren reported that the proposed changes to Rule 150-X-1-.14, concerning graduates from apprentice schools seeking licensure in the fourth quarter, had been published for public comment and no comments were received.

MOTION: Mr. McDaniel made the motion to approve Final Rule 150-X-1-.14 as published. The motion was seconded by Mr. Barnes and unanimously approved by the Board.

Board Terms: Mr. McDaniel reported that he would not seek reappointment to the Board having served two consecutive terms. He recommended a replacement from Lauderdale County in the 5th Congressional District. Mr. Curvin commented on serving two consecutive terms and a replacement from Calhoun County was recommended for the 3rd Congressional District. The Board discussed the re-districting of the Congressional Districts and Mr. Warren indicated that he would have an updated report at the next Board meeting.

Chairman Fisher called an Executive Session of the Board to protect an individual's good name and character.

MOTION: Mr. Curvin made the motion for the Board to enter an Executive Session for approximately 20 minutes for the purpose of protecting the good name and character of an individual. The motion was seconded by Mr. Barnes and Mr. Elkins certified the reason for the Executive Session. The following roll call vote was recorded on the motion: Mr. Curvin, aye, Ms. Morgan, aye, Mr. McDaniel, aye, Mr. Grissett, aye, Mr. Barnes, aye, Mr. Pearce, and Mr. Wood, aye. Chairperson Fisher called the Board into Executive Session at 10:35 a.m.

MOTION: Mr. McDaniel made the motion to adjourn the Executive Session and resume the regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wood and unanimously approved by the Board. Chairman Fisher reconvened the regular business session at 10:59 a.m.

OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Submission of Board Travel and Compensation: Compensation requests and travel expense reports were submitted by the members and accepted by the Board.

Next Board Meeting: Chairman Fisher reminded the Board that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled November 18, 2025 at the Board's office.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business by the Board and Chairman Fisher called for a motion to adjourn.
MOTION: Mr. Grissett made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Ms. Morgan and unanimously approved by the Board. Chairman Fisher adjourned the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Fisher
Board Chair

Keith E. Warren
Executive Director

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