MINUTES
NORTH CAROLINA AUCTIONEER LICENSING BOARD
August 10, 2015

The North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board met on Monday, August 10, 2015, in the Fuquay Varina Office. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Members present were Chairman Daniel H. DeVane, Vice Chairman Gary Boyd, Moses Gallion, Susan Holder, and Lisa Brown. Also, present Becky J. Stewart, Administrative Officer, Wayne Woodard, Interim Executive Director, and Garris Neil Yarborough, Counsel to the Board.

Chairman DeVane welcomed the new board member, Lisa L. Brown, and visitor Mr. Charles Diehl to the board meeting.

Next Chairman DeVane inquired of each member if there were any known conflicts of interest or an appearance of conflicts with respect to any matters coming before the Board during this meeting. Member Holder recused herself from Probable Cause due to her participation on the Probable Cause Subcommittee. Other members stated there were none. At this time, the “Evaluation of Statement of Economic Interest Filed by Ms. Lisa L. Brown” was recorded in the minutes pursuant to G.S. 183A-15(c) and each Board Member was presented with a flier entitled “State Government Ethics Act – Education Requirements for Public Servants.”

Minutes of the meeting held on July 13, 2015, were approved as recorded on motion by Vice Chairman Boyd. Member Gallion seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. At this time, Wayne Woodard provided the investigative case log update.

Next, the Board considered the Probable Cause Subcommittee Recommendations and the following motion was made. Vice Chairman Boyd moved to accept the Probable Cause Subcommittee Recommendations. Member Gallion seconded the motion, which carried
unanimously. Member Holder, being the Probable Cause Member, did not participate in the discussion nor did she vote due to her participation on the Probable Cause Subcommittee.

At this time, Ms. Stewart provided the results of the July 2, 2015, auctioneer examination, which were as follows: ten (10) examinees with ten (10) passing. Then, Mr. Woodard presented the Memorandum regarding Travel Subsistence Rate Revisions Effective July 1, 2015 and presented the Resolution of Appreciation for Deborah L. Johnson for board members signatures.

Next, Mr. Woodard presented for the Board’s consideration the “New Instructor Application for Mendenhall School of Auctioneering.” Following a review of the presented application, Member Holder moved to approve the “New Instructor Application for Mendenhall School of Auctioneering.” Member Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Also at this time, Mr. Woodard presented for the Board’s consideration the Apprentice Auctioneer License Application for Alice Woodell Dickerson with Paul Woodell as Sponsor. After a review of the presented application, Member Gallion moved to approve the Apprentice Auctioneer License Application for Alice Woodell Dickerson with Paul Woodell as Sponsor. Member Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Next, Mr. Woodard provided an update on the Designated Person(s) Study Guide and DVD as follows. One hundred (100) copies of the Study Guide have been shipped to the office with the remaining four-hundred (400) copies set to print and be mailed in the near future. A 2-hour DP class, which was successful, was taught in July at the Locust Campus of Stanly Community College and videoed. Mrs. O’Neal has provided a link to the video for the board and staff to review. Upon review and recommendations, a DVD will be provided.

A discussion was held regarding continuing education and the “Requests for CE Proposals for Year 2016-2017.” Following this discussion, Vice Chairman Boyd moved to
approve the “Requests for CE Proposals” with amended dates and instructed staff to submit the “Requests for CE Proposals” to all Board-approved CE Sponsors. Member Gallion seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Next, Mr. Woodard led a discussion on the issue of the 2015-2016 Licensee Directory regarding its format and number of copies to be made. Vice Chairman Boyd moved that the 2015-2016 Directory be issued in the same format and number as the previous year. Member Brown seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Woodard then presented financial information concerning the individual month of July 2015. Following review of the financial information, Member Holder made a motion to accept the July 2015 Financial Report. Member Gallion seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Under other Board matters, Mr. Woodard provided an update on the Executive Director’s Position pursuant to the August 5, 2015 board meeting as follows. Interviews took place on August 5, 2015 with five applicants interviewed. Upon conclusion of interviews, a lengthy discussion was held and a decision was made to conditionally offer the Executive Director position to Mr. Charles Diehl contingent upon a background investigation. Mr. Woodard was authorized to verbally offer the Executive Director Position in which Mr. Diehl accepted.

At this time, Chairman DeVane requested confirmation by the full board regarding the conditional verbal offer to Mr. Charles Diehl as the Executive Director with a salary of $67,000. Member Gallion made a motion to conditionally offer the Executive Director Position to Mr. Diehl with a salary of $67,000 contingent upon a successful background investigation. Vice Chairman Boyd seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Then Mr. Woodard stated upon successful completion of the background investigation, he would prepare an official written offer for Chairman DeVane’s signature, to be presented to Mr. Diehl. At this time, Mr.
Diehl was recognized by the board for comments. Mr. Diehl stated he was very excited about this opportunity.

Next, Mr. Woodard informed the Board that as of August 6, 2015, 2120 licensees, including auction firms and apprentices, have renewed their 2015/2016 license.

Following the review and approval of applications for licensing, the Board confirmed the next regular meeting on Monday, September 14, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Fuquay-Varina office.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky J Stewart
Administrative Officer