The North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board met on Monday, July 14, 2014, in the Fuquay-Varina office. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Members present were: Chairperson Daniel H. DeVane, Vice Chairperson Randy B. Lee, Gary Boyd, Moses Gallion and Deborah Johnson. Also present: Executive Director Teresa L. Watson and Garris Neil Yarborough, Counsel to the Board. Chairperson DeVane welcomed and congratulated new Member Boyd on his appointment to the Board and welcomed Don Horton in attendance on behalf of the Auctioneers Association of North Carolina.

Chairperson 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 and each member indicated there were none. At this time the “Evaluation of Statement of Economic Interest Filed by Mr. Gary Boyd” 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 June 9, 2014, were approved as recorded on motion by Member Johnson. Vice Chairperson Lee seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Investigator Southerland then provided a case log update and presented an Investigative Report on his monitoring of Blue Moon Estate Sales as directed at the June 9, 2014, Board Meeting. Following a review of Mr. Southerland’s Investigative Report, Vice Chairperson Lee moved to instruct Legal Counsel Yarborough to prepare a letter to Blue Moon Estate Sales and advise what steps need to be taken in order to be in compliance with the N.C. Auctioneer Law and Rules. Member Gallion seconded the motion which carried
unanimously.

The Board then considered the Probable Cause Subcommittee Recommendations and the following motion was made. Vice Chairperson Lee moved to accept the Probable Cause Subcommittee Recommendations. Member Johnson seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Member Gallion did not participate in the discussions nor did he vote on these matters involving the Probable Cause Subcommittee Recommendations due to his participation on the Probable Cause Subcommittee. Then, Director Watson provided the results of the June 5, 2014, auctioneer examination, which were as follows: three (3) examinees with two (2) passing and one (1) failing.

Concerning the review of apprentice auctioneer applicants and their sponsors’ written summary of their background and experience in the auction profession, Member Johnson moved to approve the apprentice application for Keith Dwayne Cox and proposed sponsor, Gregory Lane Slate, NCAL #8265. Vice Chairperson Lee seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Next, Ms. Watson presented financial information concerning the individual month of June 2014. Following review of the financial information, Member Johnson made a motion to accept the June 2014 Financial Report. Member Gallion seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Also at this time, Director Watson informed the Board that as of July 11, 2014, licensees had renewed their 2014/2015 licenses.

Next, a “Resolution of Appreciation” for Edward B. Webb was presented for Board approval. Vice Chairperson Lee made a motion to approve the “Resolution of Appreciation” for Edward B. Webb. Member Johnson seconded the motion which carried unanimously. The Board was also advised that the following items would be discussed at the next Board Meeting: a) Evaluations of Accredited Auction Schools and b) Staff Job Descriptions.
Following the review and approval of applications for licensing the Board confirmed the next meeting as Monday, August 11, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. in the Fuquay-Varina office with Vice Chairperson Lee advising that he would not be present at that meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Executive Director