MINUTES
NORTH CAROLINA AUCTIONEER LICENSING BOARD
MAY 10, 2010

The North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board met on Monday, May 10, 2010, in the Fuquay-Varina office. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. Members present were: Chairperson Jesse G. Meeks, Vice Chairperson Keith J. Pierce, William B. Lilly and Jean W. Woolard. Also present: Executive Director Teresa L. Watson and Garris Neil Yarborough, Counsel to the Board.

Chairperson Meeks 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.

Minutes of the meeting held on April 12, 2010, were approved as recorded on motion by Member Woolard. Member Lilly seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Next, Investigator Southerland provided a case log update.

The Board then considered the Probable Cause Subcommittee Recommendations and the following motion was made. Member Lilly moved to accept Probable Cause Subcommittee Recommendations. Member Woolard seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Vice Chairperson Pierce 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. At this time, Member Lilly inquired as to what can be discussed concerning motions made during the current Board Meeting and Board Counsel Yarborough advised that once a motion has passed, it is public record. Next, Director Watson provided the results of the May 6, 2010, auctioneer examination which were as follows: 17 examinees with 15 passing and two failing.

Ms. Watson presented the following “Applications for Course and Sponsor Renewal for
Continuing Education” for consideration: (1) All Star Professional Training, Inc. with new courses titled “The Value of Integrity/A Primer in Ethics” and “Internal Revenue Service;” (2) Arkadia Auction Company; (3) Auctioneers Association of North Carolina with new instructors Thomas H. Burke, Jr., Phillips M. Ledebetter and Lance Walker and new courses titled “How to be a Better Ringman” and “Benefit Auctions;” (4) Dick Norwood Real Estate Seminars; (5) East Coast School of Auctioneering; (6) EDJ School Online, Inc.; (7) Mitchell Community College with a new course titled “Working with and Protecting your Support Staff;” (8) Nashville Auction School, LLC with new courses titled “Business Ethics,” “Laws and Business Concepts in Auctioneering,” “Law and Contracts,” “Laws and Professionalism” and “Business Liquidations;” (9) North Georgia School of Auctioneering; (10) Southeastern School of Auctioneering; (11) Stanly Community College; (12) Texas State Technical College; (13) Broadwell Educational Services; (14) Novalis, Inc.; (15) Mendenhall School of Auctioneering; and, (16) New South Educational Seminars. Following this presentation, Chairperson Meeks moved to accept the “Applications for Course and Sponsor Renewal for Continuing Education” for the above listed applicants. Member Woolard seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Director Watson presented a request from Ted W. Duncan, NCAL #1239, and James A. Wells, NCAL #7570, for an exemption from the continuing education requirement. Following a review of both requests, Chairperson Meeks moved to approve Mr. Duncan’s and Mr. Wells’ exemption from the continuing education requirement due to health reasons for the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 renewal period. Vice Chairperson Pierce seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Concerning the review of apprentice auctioneer applicants and their sponsors’ written summary of their background and experience in the auction profession, Member Woolard moved to approve the apprentice application for Alicia Renee Godfrey and proposed sponsor, Joey
Monroe Godfrey, NCAL #7759. Chairperson Meeks seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

At this time, Director Watson informed the Board that the “pink slips” had been mailed to licensees which did not meet CE requirements. Ms. Watson also advised that Renewal Applications for Fiscal Year 2010/2011 would be mailed out by the end of May to all licensees who have met the CE requirements. Next, financial information concerning the individual months of March and April 2010 were reviewed by the Board.

Next, Board Counsel Yarborough provided an update on hearing requests. Director Watson provided each Board Member a copy of Governor Perdue’s “Recommended Adjustments for the North Carolina State Budget for 2010-2011” with references to “elimination, consolidation, and centralization of North Carolina’s 342 boards and commissions.” Also at this time, Ms. Watson provided an update on action taken at the April Board Meeting regarding appropriating up to $10,000.00 for educational activities for the 2010 NAA Conference and Show. Member Lilly inquired as to the status of the investigation into whether Iron Planet needs to obtain an auction firm license as discussed during the March 8, 2010, Board Meeting. Board Counsel Yarborough advised that he would make a formal presentation at the next Board Meeting on this investigation.

The final item discussed was Board Meeting dates for June and July 2010. Following a discussion on this matter, Vice Chairperson Pierce moved that the Board Meeting date for June would remain as June 14, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. in the Fuquay Varina office. Mr. Pierce further moved that the Board Meeting date for July would be moved to July 13, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. to be held in conjunction with the 2010 NAA Convention in Greensboro, North Carolina. Member Woolard seconded the motions which carried unanimously. Director Watson was instructed to make arrangements with the NAA to obtain a meeting room for the July 13, 2010, Board Meeting.
Following the review and approval of applications for licensing, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa L. Watson
Executive Director