MINUTES

NORTH CAROLINA AUCTIONEER LICENSING BOARD

MAY 13, 2013

The North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board met on Monday, May 13, 2013, in the Fuquay-Varina office. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Members present were: Chairperson Ernest Clegg Grady, Jr., Vice Chairperson Deborah Johnson, Daniel H. DeVane, Randy B. Lee and Edward B. Webb. Also present: Executive Director Teresa L. Watson and John Jackson with Yarborough, Winters & Neville, P.A., Counsel to the Board.

Chairperson Grady 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 8, 2013, were approved as recorded on motion by Vice Chairperson Johnson. Member Lee seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Investigator Southerland then provided a case log update.

At this time, Don Horton, AANC President Elect, requested that the Auctioneer Licensing Board provide a one (1) to two (2) hour seminar on the Board’s Law/Rules which would be presented on January 18, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. during the AANC’s 2014 Winter Convention which will be held at the Embassy Suites in Greensboro, North Carolina. Member Lee moved to approve the AANC’s request for the presentation of a one (1) to two (2) hour seminar on the Auctioneer Licensing Board’s Law/Rules during the AANC’s 2014 Winter Convention. Member Webb seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Mr. Horton also invited the Board Members to attend the AANC June 2013 Convention being held in New Bern, North Carolina.

Next, Director Watson presented a request from William Cox, NCAA Director/CE
Coordinator, for consideration of CE reimbursement for their April 2013 Convention. Following a lengthy discussion, Member Lee moved to table this request and directed staff to research the Board’s Minutes regarding CE reimbursement and present this research at the June 10, 2013, Board Meeting, at which time a decision would be reached regarding the NCAA’s CE reimbursement request. Vice Chairperson Johnson seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Next, the Board considered the Probable Cause Subcommittee Recommendations and the following motions were made. Member DeVane moved to deny Item 4 of the Probable Cause Subcommittee Recommendations. Member Webb seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Vice Chairperson Johnson did not participate in the discussion nor did she vote on this matter involving Item 4 of the Probable Cause Subcommittee Recommendations due to her participation on the Probable Cause Subcommittee. Member Lee moved to accept Items 1 thru 3 and 5 thru 6 of the Probable Cause Subcommittee Recommendations. Member DeVane seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Vice Chairperson Johnson did not participate in the discussions nor did she vote on these matters involving the Probable Cause Subcommittee Recommendations due to her participation on the Probable Cause Subcommittee.

Director Watson then provided the results of the April 8, 2013, auctioneer examination which were as follows: three (3) examinees with two (2) passing and one (1) failing. Discussion followed regarding the Board’s concerns with the high ratio of incorrect answers on the auctioneer examination in regards to the Law/Rules. Staff was instructed to prepare a letter detailing those concerns which would be sent to all the accredited Schools of Auctioneering and all approved CE Sponsors and Board Chairperson would sign such letter at the June 10, 2013, Board Meeting.
Ms. Watson then presented the following CE Sponsor Renewals, New Courses and/or New Instructors for approval: All Star Professional Training, Inc.; Arkadia Auction Company; Auctioneers Association of North Carolina (Course/American Antique and Collectible Glassware; Course/Bankruptcy Basics and Achieving Life Balance/Instructor/Mark Manley; and, Course/P-It Can Be the Most Important Letter to Your Auction Company/Instructor/Jimmy Johnson); Cornerstone-edu.com; Dick Norwood Real Estate Seminars; EasyLR24 Online Training School, Inc.; EDJ School Online (Course/Auction Ethics and Course/Auction Strategy); Ivan Broadwell Education Seminars (Course/American Antique and Collectible Glassware); Mendenhall School of Auctioneering; Mitchell Community College; Nashville Auction School, LLC; National Auctioneers Association; North Carolina Auctioneers Association; North Georgia School of Auctioneering; Pick a Class; Southeastern School of Auctioneering; and, Stanly Community College (Course/Used, Abused and Confused-GS85B is Not a Suggestion/Instructor/Betty O’Neal; and, Course/American Antique and Collectible Glassware/Instructor/Ivan Broadwell). Following this presentation, Member Lee moved to accept the CE Sponsor Renewals, New Courses and/or New Instructors for the above listed applicants. Member Lee further moved that each CE Sponsor receive notification of the Board’s action at the April 8, 2013, Board Meeting which requires that two (2) of the four (4) hours of CE be mandated and be composed of the Auctioneer Licensing Board’s Law/Rules/Ethics with one (1) of the two (2) hours being composed of the Board’s Laws DVD in order for applicants to renew their licenses for Fiscal Year 2014/2015. Member Webb 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, Vice Chairperson Johnson moved to approve the apprentice applications for James David Carpenter and Katie Ruth Carpenter and proposed sponsor, James E. Carpenter, NCAL #129. Member Lee seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Also at this time, financial information concerning the individual month of April 2013 was reviewed by the Board.

Board Chairperson Grady then presented a request from Leslie S. Hobbs, NCAL #942, for an exemption from the continuing education requirement. Following a review of this request,
Member DeVane moved to approve Mr. Hobbs’ exemption from the continuing education requirement due to health reasons for the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 renewal period. Member Webb seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Also at this time, Board Members signed a “Resolution of Appreciation” for Licensee Josie P. Graves, NCAL #89, who turns 95 this June as directed at the April 8, 2013, Board Meeting.

Next, Board Members reviewed an insert entitled “Changes for Mandatory Continuing Education for Renewal Year 2014/2015” to be placed in with the 2013/2014 Renewal Applications. Following a review of this insert, Member DeVane moved to approve the CE Insert, with additions, to be placed in with the 2013/2014 Renewal Applications. Member Webb seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Member Lee then led a discussion on requiring CE Sponsors to submit a syllabus anytime they present a seminar on “Law/Rules” and requested to hold a discussion at the June 10, 2013, Board Meeting regarding the requirements of CE Schools, CE Instructors and CE Courses.

Following the review and approval of applications for licensing, the Board confirmed the next meeting as Monday, June 10, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. in Fuquay-Varina, North Carolina. The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa L. Watson
Executive Director