MINUTES
NORTH CAROLINA AUCTIONEER LICENSING BOARD
December 9, 2019

The North Carolina Auctioneer Licensing Board met on Monday, December 9, 2019 in the Fuquay-Varina Office. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. Members present were Chairman Lisa D. York, Vice Chairman Buck Lattimore, Dan DeVane, Willie A. Johnson, and Allison H. Pant. Also, present were Executive Director Charles F. Diehl, Administrative Officer Becky Stewart, Investigator Ralph Southerland, and Special Deputy Attorney General Anne Brown with the NC Department of Justice, who participated by phone during the review of the Report from Probable Cause.

Chairman York inquired of each member if there were any known conflicts of interest or any appearance of conflicts with respect to any matters coming before the Board during this meeting. Member DeVane recused himself from consideration of the Probable Cause recommendation due to his participation in the Probable Cause Subcommittee meeting. Other members stated there were none.

Minutes of the meeting held on November 12, 2019 were reviewed. Member Pant made a motion to accept the November 12, 2019 Board minutes. Member DeVane seconded the motion, which carried. Then Ralph Southerland provided the investigative case log update as follows: two (2) active cases are under investigation.

At this time Director Diehl reported on the Informal Investigations and Ad Violations for the month of November. Then Director Diehl presented the financial report concerning the individual month of November. Member Pant made a motion to approve the financial report for the month of November. Member Johnson seconded the motion, which carried.
Next Executive Director Diehl presented a copy of a proposed Consent Order regarding Case No. 19-9427-05, Concierge Auctions, LLC. He provided an overview of the case, which was discussed by the Board. **Member DeVane made a motion to accept the draft Consent Order as presented.** Member Johnson seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 4 – 1, with Vice Chairman Lattimore voting “No.”

At this time Executive Director Diehl presented for the Board’s consideration New Continuing Education Courses and Instructors for the Auctioneers Association of North Carolina: *Ring Around the Money – Bill O’Neal and David Bailey* and *“Benefit Auctions and Casino Night” – Michael Parker.* **Vice Chairman Lattimore made a motion to approve the new continuing education courses and instructors for the Auctioneers Association of North Carolina.** Member Pant seconded the motion, which carried. Then Executive Director Diehl presented for the Board’s consideration New Continuing Education Course and Instructors for *Carolina Auction Academy: Ring Around the Money – Bill O’Neal and David Bailey.* **Member Pant made a motion to approve the new continuing education course and instructors for Carolina Auction Academy.** Member DeVane seconded the motion, which carried.

Next, in continuation of a discussion from the November 12 Board meeting, Director Diehl reported that in the most recent licensing year 15% of licensees provided real estate continuing education credits to meet their auctioneer continuing education requirement.

Next the Board considered the Probable Cause Report. **Vice Chairman Lattimore made a motion to approve item #1 on the Probable Cause Report.** Member Pant seconded the motion, which carried. **Member Pant made a motion to approve item #2 on the Probable Cause Report.** Member Johnson seconded the motion, which carried. **Member Pant made a motion to approve item #3 on the Probable Case Report.** Member Johnson seconded the motion, which carried. **Member Johnson made a motion to approve item #4**
on the Probable Cause Report. Vice Chairman Lattimore seconded the motion, which carried. Member Pant made a motion to approve item #5 on the Probable Cause Report. 

Member Johnson seconded the motion, which carried. Prior to the motion or any discussion, Member DeVane had recused himself from consideration of the Probable Cause Report due to his participation in the Probable Cause Subcommittee meeting.

Following the review and approval of applications for licensing, the Board confirmed the next regular meeting on Tuesday, January 21, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Fuquay-Varina office. 

Member Pant made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chairman Lattimore seconded the motion, which carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky J. Stewart
Administrative Officer