

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
CONNECTICUT REAL ESTATE COMMISSION
Minutes of Meeting
March 5, 2014**

The Connecticut Real Estate Commission convened on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at 9:15 a.m. in Room-126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106.

Commissioners Present: Marilyn L. Keating, Acting Chairperson (Salesperson – 4th District)
Joseph B. Castonguay (Broker – 2nd District)
Lana K. Ogrodnik (Broker – 5th District)
Amy Bergquist (Broker – 1st District)
Linda C. Burnham (Salesperson – 2nd District)
Morag L. Vance (Public Member – 4th District)
Joseph H. Kronen (Public Member – 1st District)
Theodore F. Ells, Esq. (Public Member- 3rd District)

Commissioners Absent: None

Commission Vacancy: None

Attorney General's Office: None

DCP Staff Present: Michele Erling
Vicky Bullock
Robin Washbond

Public Present: Anna McElaney
Maurice Earley
Beth Mecteau
Philip Knecht
John Morgan

The next meeting of this Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at 9:15 am in Rm-126

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Castonguay 2nd, and the motion carried to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2013 CT Real Estate Commission as amended.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY

None

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Anna McElaney – Seeking Real Estate Salesperson license

It was moved by Commissioner Ogrodnik, Commissioner Ells 2nd, and the motion carried to deny Ms. McElaney's application and that she may reappear before the Commission after one year for reconsideration of her Salesperson application.

NEW BUSINESS

Maurice Earley (2013-788) – Motion for Reconsideration

The Commission took no action on this matter.

It was moved by Commissioner Castonguay, Commissioner Ells 2nd, and the motion carried to add Philip Knecht to the agenda.

Philip Knecht – Seeking guidance concerning the licensing requirements for Real Estate Consulting

It was moved by Commissioner Burnham, Commissioner Ells 2nd, and the motion carried that Department staff will review Mr. Knecht's education records to determine if he meets the requirements to sit for the Broker examination.

REQUEST FOR CE WAIVER/EXTENSION DUE TO MEDICAL

Marta Bertoldo, RES.0762636 – Seeking an extension to complete the 2014 CE requirements

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ogrodnik 2nd, and the motion carried to grant an extension until September 30, 2014.

REQUEST FOR CE EQUIVALENCY/WAIVER

Helene Daly, RES.0755863 – Seeking credit for an unapproved CE course (CAAO)

It was moved by Commissioner Ogrodnik, Commissioner Vance 2nd, and the motion carried to grant three (3) hours CE credit.

REAL ESTATE GUARANTY FUND APPLICATIONS

Albert Coppola vs. Dean Petruzzi

This matter was postponed to the April meeting.

REAL ESTATE APPLICATIONS/WAIVERS

Todd Hany, RES.0771546 – Broker applicant seeking waiver of 30 hours of the required 60- hour Principles and Practices course

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ells 2nd, and the motion carried that Mr. Hany must submit, prior to the April meeting, the course(s) he has completed or the syllabus of a course he intends to take, for review by the Commission to determine if it may be accepted in lieu of the required 30 hours of P&P .

Commissioner Castonguay recused himself from this matter.

Commissioner Keating called for a brief recess at 10:50 a.m. and the meeting reconvened at 11:10 a.m.

CONSENT AGREEMENTS

2013-326

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ogradnik 2nd, and the motion carried to accept the consent agreement as presented by DCP.

2013-327

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ogradnik 2nd, and the motion carried to accept the consent agreement as presented by DCP.

2013-328

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ogradnik 2nd, and the motion carried to accept the consent agreement as presented by DCP.

2013-836 (2012-49)

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ells 2nd, and the motion carried to accept the consent agreement as presented by DCP.

2013-837 (2012-49 / 2013-243)

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ells 2nd, and the motion carried to accept the consent agreement as presented by DCP.

CORRESPONDENCE

PSI – Updated National Portion of the Salesperson and Broker Examinations

The Commission reviewed the correspondence from PSI.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY

John Morgan appeared before the Commission to discuss and provide input concerning the Continuing Education Examination. Mr. Morgan stated that many people are unaware that they can choose to test in lieu of completing 12 hours of continuing education courses. He offered to head up a task force in order to increase awareness and help people understand their options. The Commission advised Mr. Morgan that this matter would be taken under consideration.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Vance, Commissioner Ogrodnik 2nd, and the motion carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:47 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Washbond
Commission Secretary

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