

EDUCATION REVIEW COMMITTEE
REAL ESTATE COMMISSION
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii
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MINUTES OF MEETING

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Lieutenant Governor's Office as required by Section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Date: March 11, 2009

Time: Upon adjournment of the Condominium Review Committee meeting, which is upon adjournment of the Laws and Rules Review Committee meeting, which convened at 9:00 a.m.

Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, First Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii

Present: Carol Mae Ball, Chair / Broker / Maui Commissioner
William S. Chee, Broker / Honolulu Commissioner
Frances T. Gendrano, Vice Chair / Broker / Honolulu Commissioner
Louis Abrams, Broker / Kauai Commissioner
Stanley Kuriyama, Broker / Honolulu Commissioner
Mark Suiso, Public / Honolulu Commissioner
Michele Sunahara Loudermilk, Public / Honolulu Commissioner
Trudy Nishihara, Broker / Honolulu Commissioner

Neil K. Fujitani, Supervising Executive Officer
Diane Choy Fujimura, Senior Real Estate Specialist
Cynthia Yee, Senior Condominium Specialist
Cheryl Leong, Condominium Specialist
Shari Wong, Deputy Attorney General
Sonia Ines, Office Assistant
Karyn Takahashi, Recording Secretary

Absent: Annette Aiona, Broker / Hawaii Island Commissioner

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:56 a.m., at which time quorum was established.

Chair's Report: The Chair stated the Committee may move into Executive Session to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for licensure in accordance with Section 92-5(a)(1), HRS.

Commissioner Aiona was excused from today's meeting. Prior notification of her non-attendance was received.

Real Estate Specialist's Report: Minutes of Meeting

Upon a motion by Commissioner Kuriyama, seconded by Commissioner Suiso, it was voted on and unanimously carried to accept the minutes of the February 11, 2009, Education Review Committee meeting.

Continuing Education: Administrative Issues

2009 – 2010 Continuing Education Providers and Courses Ratification List

Upon a motion by Commissioner Loudermilk, seconded by Commissioner Gendrano, it was voted on and unanimously carried to ratify the following registrations/certifications.

<u>Registration/Certification</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Course (s)	
"NAR's Green Designation Residential Elective Course" (Nationally Certified Course/Hogan School of Real Estate)	February 20, 2009
"NAR's Green Designation Core Course" (Nationally Certified Course/Hogan School of Real Estate)	February 20, 2009
"Common Interest Developments: Managing Condominium Properties-CID 201" (Nationally Certified Course/Institute of Real Estate Management)	February 25, 2009
"Foreclosures, Short Sales, REO's, & Auctions" (ARELLO Certified Course/Dearborn Real Estate Education)	February 25, 2009

Course – "An Introduction to Fair Housing;" Author/Owner: County of Hawaii, Office of Housing and Community Development; Provider: Hawaii Island Board of REALTORS®; Course Category: Real Estate Law; Clock House: 7 (3 credit hours requested)

Upon a motion by Commissioner Kuriyama, seconded by Commissioner Abrams, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve "An Introduction to Fair Housing" as a three credit hour continuing education elective course.

Prelicense Education: Evaluation and Education Program

Copies of evaluations of the independent study course from the following prelicense schools were distributed to the Commissioners for their information:

1. Abe Lee Seminars; Independent Study On-Line (8)
2. Seiler School of Real Estate (4)
2. Vitousek Real Estate School (2)

Administration of Examinations:

Pearson VUE

Licensing Examination Statistics – January 2009

Examination statistics for January 2009 were distributed to the Commissioners for their information.

School Pass/Fail Rates – January 2009

School pass/fail rate statistics for January 2009 were distributed to the Commissioners for their information.

School Summary Reports – January 2009

Copies of the January 2009 performance summary reports, by school, were distributed to the Commissioners for their information. The report is derived from statistics for first time test takers.

Letter dated February 20, 2009 to Thomas Magallanes, Executive Director, Business Development, Pearson VUE from Diane Choy Fujimura, Sr. Real Estate Specialist

Senior Specialist Fujimura reported that a letter dated February 20, 2009, was sent to Thomas Magallanes, Executive Director of Business Development, regarding Pearson VUE's test centers in Hawaii and California. It was reported that Senior Specialist Fujimura has been in contact with Mr. Magallanes via telephone and he has been very cooperative. She reported that she is awaiting their formal written response.

At this time, SEO Fujitani reported that the Request for Proposals for examination services deadline was March 9, 2009. Proposals will be opened and reviewed today.

Commissioner Abrams moved to delegate decision and awarding of the examination services contract to the Evaluation Committee. Commissioner Gendrano seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and unanimously carried.

SEO Fujitani also reported that the State Procurement Office approved an extension of the current examination contract until the end of June and we are currently awaiting for all parties to accept the extension.

Educator's Forum: **Hawaii Association of REALTORS®** – No discussion presented.

Hawaii Association of Real Estate Schools (HARES) – No discussion presented.

Public and Private Institutions of Higher Education – No discussion presented.

Program of Work: Annual Report, Quarterly Bulletin, and School Files

Senior Specialist Fujimura reported that the January/February issue of the *Bulletin* has been distributed. A copy can also be found on the Commission's website at www.hawaii.gov/hirec.

Education Evaluation Task Force

Report of February 26, 2009 meeting

Chair Ball reported that the February 26, 2009, EETF meeting was well attended and there was great input.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Abrams, seconded by Commissioner Nishihara, it was voted on and unanimously carried to recommend approval of the following EETF recommendations:

The Education Evaluation Task Force recommends "Risk Reduction" be the topic for Part A and Part B of the 2009 – 2010 core course. "Scary Stories" was suggested as a catchy title. The "scary stories" included would touch on many different risk reduction scenarios, and how situations could be handled. The "scary stories" theme would be continued in Part B of the core course.

Part A will include the 2009 legislative update, risk reduction topics of property management, agents acting as principals, and anti-discrimination best practices.

The next EETF meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 9, 2009.

Open Forum: None.

Budget and Finance No report.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 8, 2009
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Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Chair Ball adjourned the meeting at 11:02 a.m.

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ Diane Choy Fujimura
Diane Choy Fujimura
Senior Real Estate Specialist

March 16, 2009
Date

[X] Minutes approved as is.
[] Minutes approved with changes, see minutes of _____