

LAWS AND RULES REVIEW COMMITTEE
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
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MINUTES OF MEETING

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

Date: Tuesday, May 11, 2004

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Conference Rooms A, B and C
State Office Building
75 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawaii

Present: Iris Okawa, Chair
Louis Abrams, Vice Chair
Marshall Chinen, Member
Mitchell Imanaka, Member
Kathleen Kagawa, PhD, Member
John Ohama, Member
Peter Rice, Member
Vern Yamanaka, Member

Calvin Kimura, Supervising Executive Officer
Cynthia Yee, Senior Condominium Specialist
Diane Choy Fujimura, Senior Real Estate Specialist
Shari Wong, Deputy Attorney General
Irene Kotaka, Secretary

Others: Marsha Shimizu, Hawaii Association of REALTORS
Wayne Richardson, RE3LLC
Yukio Takeya
Joan Castberg
Ketura De Mattos

Excused: Trudy Nishihara, Member

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., at which time quorum was established.

Chair's Report: Chair Okawa thanked Commissioner Yamanaka.

SEO's Report: **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

Upon a motion by Commissioner Rice, seconded by Commissioner Imanaka, it was voted on and unanimously carried to accept the minutes of the April 14, 2004 Laws and Rules Review Committee meeting.

Program of Work, FY04: **Legislative and Government Participation**

The Recodification Attorney will brief the Commissioners on the recodification bill later in the meeting.

The SEO reported that all State funds, except the trust funds, are subject to a spending freeze until June 30, 2004.

The Commission had submitted a supplemental budget request for \$180,000 from the Real Estate Education Fund based on recommendations from the Education Advisory Committee and also requested \$100,000 from the Condominium Management Education Fund based on recommendations from the Education Advisory Committee. The request for the supplemental budget increase for the Real Estate Education Fund was approved. The supplemental budget request for the Condominium Management Education Fund was not.

Chair Okawa acknowledged Commissioner Abrams, REC Chair Ohama, the SEO and staff for the role that they played in the passage of the Commission's license recognition bill. She also acknowledged CRC Chair Imanaka, CRC Vice Chair Rice, the Recodification Attorney and staff for their role in the passage of the Recodification bill.

Neighbor Island Outreach

The next neighbor island outreach is scheduled for Wednesday, September 8, 2004, on the island of Kauai. The meetings will be held in Conference Rooms A, B and C of the State Office Building, located at 3060 Eiwa Street, Lihue, Kauai.

Program of Work, FY05

Commissioner Abrams stated that he would like to begin working on amendments to the rules.

The Commissioners were asked to notify staff if they had any more suggestions/amendments to the program of work. Staff would like to finalize the Program of Work for FY2005 and submit it to the Director as soon as possible so that it could be approved prior to the start of the new fiscal year.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Abrams, seconded by Commissioner Imanaka, it was voted on and unanimously carried to accept the draft of the Program of Work for Fiscal Year 2005.

ARELLO, Other Organizations and Jurisdictions:

ARELLO

The SEO reported that the report from ARELLO's Midyear and District IV meetings will be distributed at a later date.

The SEO also reported that Chair Okawa was nominated as the incoming Vice President of ARELLO's District IV.

CLEAR

Information on the Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation's 2004 Annual Conference, which will be held on September 30 to October 1, 2004, was distributed to the Commissioners for their information. The Commission will not be participating in the conference.

Special Issues:

Interstate Licensing

An article, entitled "Interstate Licensing," which appeared in the February/March 2004 issue of the Maryland REALTOR was distributed to the Commissioners for their information.

Patriot Act

An article, entitled "*Did you know...*PATRIOT ACT – Its Effect on the Transaction", was distributed to the Commissioners for their information. Also distributed was a copy of an article, entitled "USA PATRIOT Act Concerns Real Estate," which appeared in REALTOR Magazine Online, was distributed to the Commissioners for their information.

Open Forum:

No one presented information or had any concerns to address.

Budget and Finance Report:

No report was presented.

Next Meeting:

Monday, June 7, 2004
9:00 a.m.
Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, First Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:11 a.m.

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ Calvin Kimura
Calvin Kimura
Supervising Executive Officer

July 14, 2004
Date

[X] Approved as is.
[] Approved with amendments. See minutes of _____ meeting.