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7	REAL ESTATE COMMISSION
8	MEETING MINUTES
9	September 25, 2019
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11	By authority of AS 08.01.070(2), and in compliance with the provisions of AS
12	44.62, Article 6, a scheduled meeting of the Real Estate Commission was held
13	September 25, 2019, at the State of Alaska Atwood Building ACC 106, 550 W. 7th
14	Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska.
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16	<u>September 25, 2019</u>
17	Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order
18 19	Chairperson PeggyAnn McConnochie called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. at
20	which time a quorum was established.
21	Roll Call – 1(a)
22	Members present:
23	PeggyAnn McConnochie, 1st Judicial District, Chairperson
24	Margaret Nelson, Broker, Broker at Large, Vice Chairperson
25	Jamie Matthews, Public Member
26	Cheryl Markwood, Broker at Large
27	David Pruhs, Broker, 4 th Judicial District
28	Jerry Royse, Broker, 3 rd Judicial District, Education Liaison
29	Jesse Sumner, Public Member
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31	Staff Present:
32	Sharon Walsh, Executive Administrator
33	Nancy Harris, Project Assistant
34 35	Shyla Consalo, Investigator for REC
36	Greg Francois, Chief Investigator, CBPL Sara Chambers, Director of CBPL
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38	Guests Present:
39	Larry Imm, Salesperson, Jack White Real Estate, Anchorage
40	Errol Champion, Liaison for AAR, Juneau
41	Lonnie Logan, Associate Broker, Herrington and Company, Anchorage
42	Kassandra Taggart, Broker, Real Property Management Last Frontier, Anchorage
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44	Paddy Coan, Associate Broker, Keller Williams Realty, Anchorage
45	Jerod McClure, Salesperson, Northern Trust Real Estate, Anchorage
46	Anita Bates, Associate Broker, Dwell Realty, Anchorage
47 48	Marilyn Pokupec, Herrington and Company, Anchorage
40 49	Renea Miller, Broker, Marc Realty, LLC, Anchorage-
オフ	Marianne Murry, Executive Administrator, Board of Nursing

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Deborah Brollini, Public attendee, via teleconference

Approval of Agenda-1(b)

Commission members reviewed the meeting agenda.

On a motion duly made by Ms. Markwood, seconded by Mr. Sumner, it was,

RESOLVED to approve the meeting agenda for September 25, 2019 as amended.

Ms. Nelson asked about the discussion of Right Touch Regulations.

Ms. Harris said that will be covered under Division Update, agenda item number 3.

Ms. Nelson asked Ms. Walsh for clarification on the two different times for public comments; regular public comments and public comments on proposed regulations. In the Boards and Commission packet it states that our agenda is supposed to have two areas of public comments, one on non-regulatory items and one on regulatory items. Does the REC deviate from this as opposed to what the guide is outlining? Can the public give oral comments on the proposed regulations at this meeting and why not?

 Ms. Walsh said that this is up to the Commission when they proposed regulations. The Commission sends to the regulation specialist in Juneau that you want both written and oral comments. if that is not indicated at the time the regulation is proposed there will only be written comments. She said she believed that when the last Commission proposed regulations they only indicated written comments. They did not indicate oral comments or both. Going forward, when this Commission proposes regulations you can indicate if you want oral or written comments or both and then at the next meeting you will be allowed to receive comments according to what you indicated at them time you propose those regulations.

Ms. Nelson asked that if someone wanted to give oral testimony isn't it in the public's best interest to accept oral testimony if they wanted to and not restrict it?

Ms. Walsh said no, not after the public comment closed. If the Commission did not indicate oral comment when the public notice was sent out then you could not allow oral comment at the meeting only written comments. The type of comment the Commission indicated when the regulation was proposed it what will comments will be allowable.

Ms. Nelson asked if once a decision has been made by the prior Commission we are bound by that and nobody can give oral comment today?

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Ms. Walsh said no you cannot but you can withdraw the regulation project and then open it up for another 30 days and indicate what type of comments you will accept, oral or written comments or both.

Mr. Pruhs asked it there was a time limit on oral testimony?

Ms. Walsh said it is up to the Commission.

Mr. Royse asked when the Commission is looking at a regulation project and indicates what type of comments we will accept. Do we do this on a per regulation basis or can we do a unilateral blanket on what this Commission will accept?

Ms. Walsh said it would be a per regulation project because when it is public noticed, the public need to know their options.

Ms. Markwood asked if that meant the Commission would need to schedule another meeting for public comments?

Ms. Walsh said that would be up to the Commission.

Mr. Royse asked that some additional items be added to the agenda. Clean up regulations, added as agenda item 7(e), fine matrix, added as agenda item 7(f), and add conversation regarding December meeting date, added as agenda item 7(g).

All in favor; Motion to passed.

Statements of Conflicts of Interest-1(c)

Mr. Sumner, Ms. Nelson and Ms. Matthews had no conflict of interest to disclose.

 Mr. Royse stated that one of the proposed regulations with the movement to approve designated continuing education for 4 years as opposed to 2 years, as a training provider he has a conflict of interest with that.

Ms. Markwood said she had no conflicts of interest to disclose. However, she wanted to acknowledge that there is currently property management revision of regulations on the agenda under old business and she has a property management company, therefore there are may be regulations that may be a conflict of interest in the future.

Mr. Pruhs said there is a conflict of interest as a trainer with the proposed regulation as Mr. Royse has indicated but he believes that the Commission member would need to recuse themselves from the vote at that time.

Real Estate Commission Meeting Minutes September 25, 2019 Page 4 of 17 Ms. McConnochie said she is also an education director not only in Alaska but also 140 141 the lower 48 and other countries. 142 143 Ms. McConnochie asked if there was any interest for those who do education to recuse themselves from the discussion on the designated education? 144 145 146 No comments were heard. 147 148 149 Agenda Item 2 – Public Comments Ms. Harris read into the record an email received from licensee Hugh Wade 150 151 regarding continuing education. 152 153 Sharon, 154 155 I'm a big believer in ongoing professional education and I also think that the mandatory courses are unnecessary in a lot of ways and for a lot of reasons. 156 157 Basically, I don't learn a lot and feel like, after 13 or so years in the business with 158 159 no real complaints, I know what a contract is, what is legal and isn't, and how to 160 conduct real estate business in an ethical, efficient way that adds value for my 161 clients. 162 163 Taking those required classes could be replaced with taking more substantial 164 classes, if allowed. 165 166 If a person wanted to try and get it so that, say, after 10 years as a real estate practitioner, if a broker had no complaints, and the mandatory classes could be 167 waived as long as the broker took elective classes from any of a number of quality 168 169 organizations (NAR, CCIM, IREM, NAIOP, etc.), how would you advise I raise this issue with the Commission? What would be the most likely route to getting it 170 approved? Any advice you have would be great, and would be great to discuss on 171 172 the phone, no need for a formal written response. 173 174 Hugh 175 176 Hugh J. Wade, CCIM 177 Spire Commercial 178 179 There were no other public comments. 180 181 182 Agenda Item 3 – Division Update Sara Chambers, Director of the Division of Corporations, Business and 183 Professional License provided Board member training to the Commission 184

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Break at 12:50 p.m. Reconvened at 1:00 p.m.
Ms. Chambers presented Right Touch Regulation training to the Commission members.
Agenda Item 4 - Approval of Meeting Minutes May 23, 2019 meeting minutes.
On a motion duly made by Ms. Nelson seconded by Mr. Royse, it was,
RESOLVED to approve the May 23, 2019 meeting minutes.
Ms. Nelson had some corrections. On page one under Roll Call it indicates Ms. Nelson attended the meeting via teleconferenced but she attended in person, page 3, Ms. Harp's group meets once a week not month, page 11- there is a question from Mr. Pruhs regarding teams that needs to be addressed at the next meeting, Page 12 there is confusion of which Commission members were reviewing, it was Ms. Nelson and Mr. Pruhs looking at Property Management regulations and Ms. Nelson and Mr. Royse looking at Consumer Disclosure and Waiver of Right to be Represented and Ms. Nelson and Mr. Pruhs will be looking at the Property Transfer form for the December meeting.
Mr. Royse had a few changes. Page 6, there was a motion on who was working on disclosure, line 246, motion for Ms. Nelson and Mr. Royse to work on Disclosure and AREC form, and page 11, line 487- it is a 2 day train the trainer not a 3 day.
All in favor. Motion passed.
July 24, 2019 teleconference meeting minutes
On a motion duly made by Mr. Royse, seconded by Ms. Markwood, it was,
RESOLVED to approve the July 24, 2019 meeting minutes.
Ms. Matthews asked that the meeting date be confirmed if it was either July 24, 2019 or July 25, 2019 per the agenda. The meeting was on July 24, 2019.

All in favor. Motion passed.

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Agenda Item 5 - Investigative Report

235 Statistical Report – 5(a)

REC Investigator, Shyla Consalo, presented the investigation statistics for the reporting period of 05/09/19 through 09/09/19. There are 34 opened matters, 37 matters were closed from the last report. A total of 19 matters remain open and ongoing or under active investigation or pending litigation. At this present time there in only one case pending litigation.

Probation Report – 5(c)

Investigator, Shyla Consalo, presented the probation report to the Commission on the behalf of Ms. Medina. Ms. Consalo stated that there six individuals currently on probation being monitored. Two individuals were released from probation. All are in compliance with their agreements except Mr. Sheldon and Ms. Collison. Mr. Sheldon did complete his CE hours and is on track to be released from probation on his probation release date next November. Ms. Collison was offered a license surrender, which she is considering. Her probation was on hold because her license lapsed.

Investigative Process -Clarification & Questions - 5(a)

Ms. Consalo gave the Commission a quick review of the investigative process.

 Commission members directed questions to Ms. Consalo regarding that process.

Agenda Item 6 - Old Business

Changes to AREC Consumer Disclosure & Waiver of Rights form-6(a)

Mr. Royse said he has secret information from people of what they thought about of the new draft form and asked the Commission what they wanted him to do with it?

On a motion duly made by Mr. Royse, seconded by Mr. Pruhs, it was,

RESOLVED to postpone discussion of the current draft form, AREC Consumer Disclosure and Waiver of Right to be Represented until the December meeting.

All opposed. Motion failed.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Royse, seconded by Mr. Pruhs, it was,

RESOLVED to distribute, to the Commission, the 2 pages of feedback Mr. Royse received from the industry answering the question "How do you like the new form?" (new draft form of the

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AREC Consumer Disclosure and Waiver of Right to be Represented).

All in favor. Motion passed.

Commission members discussed the Consumer Disclosure and Waiver of Right to be Represented.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Pruhs, seconded by Mr. Royse, it was,

RESOLVED to put the draft forms of the Consumer Disclosure and Wavier of Right to be Represented as presented by Ms. Nelson and Mr. Royse out for public comment.

Ms. Chambers spoke to the Commission about a Scoping Notice that is a preliminary notice, similar to a regulation project, to get comments and feedback from the public and then look at those comments and put out a regulation project.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Pruhs, seconded by Mr. Royse, it was,

RESOLVED to amend the previous motion to put forms out as a scoping project to be processed for 30 days for written and oral comments.

All in favor. Motion passed.

Commission members voted on the original motion.

All in favor. Motion passed.

Property Management revised regulations-6(b)

Ms. Nelson said she did not have anything at this time regarding property management regulations. She said that as a committee they did have a really good session with the investigator with help from a licensee that practices property management to clarify some of the problems regarding security deposits. One of the things that came out of this discussion was that security deposit issues are not necessarily just contractual but there can also be violations of statutes and regulations on how trust accounts are handled.

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323 324 325	Ms. Nelson asked that Ms. Markwood, and her role as a property manager, to join this committee and perhaps have a public work session to look at the property management regulations.
326 327 328 329 330	The Chair asked Ms. Nelson, Mr. Pruhs and Ms. Markwood to work on the property management regulation revisions as a public work session and bring back to the next meeting in December.
331 332	The Commission members were in agreement.
333 334 335	The property management meeting will be public noticed and Ms. Nelson will work with Ms. Harris to get that noticed.
336 337	Proposed Regulations-6(c)
338 339	On a motion duly made by Ms. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Pruhs, it was,
340 341 342 343	RESOLVED to divide the question starting with Errors and Omissions Insurance regulations being one set and the regulations regarding course certification being the second set.
344 345	All in favor; Motion passed.
346 347	12 AAC 64.02.530- Standards of Equivalent Coverage
348 349 350	On a motion duly made by Mr. Royse, seconded by Ms. Markwood, it was,
351 352	RESOLVED to recommend the Department adopt regulation 12 AAC 02.530 as proposed.
353 354 355	All in favor; Motion passed.
356 357 358	12 AAC 64.420 – Application for Course Certification
359 360	On a motion duly made by Mr. Pruhs, seconded by Mr. Sumner, it was,
361 362	RESOLVED to adopt regulation 12 AAC 64.420 as proposed.
363 364	All opposed; Motion failed.
365 366 367	12 AAC 64.440 – Instructor Approval
368	On a motion duly made by Mr. Royse, seconded by Mr. Pruhs, it was,

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370	RESOLVED to adopt regulation 12 AAC 64.440 as proposed.
371 372 373	All opposed; Motion failed.
374 375	12 AAC 64.460 – Withdrawal or Denial of Instructor Approval
376 377 378	On a motion duly made by Mr. Royse, seconded by Ms. Markwood, it was,
379 380	RESOLVED to adopt regulation 12 AAC 64.460 as proposed.
381 382	All opposed; Motion failed.
383 384 385	12 AAC 02.360- Real Estate Commission - Fees
386 387 388	On a motion duly made by Mr. Royse, seconded by Ms. Markwood, it was,
389 390 391	RESOLVED to recommend the Department adopt regulation 12 AAC 02.360 as proposed.
392 393 394	All in favor; Motion passed.
395 396	12 AAC 64.073 – Recovery Fund Fee
397 398	On a motion duly made by Mr. Royse, seconded by Ms. Nelson, it was,
399 400	RESOLVED to adopt regulation 12 AAC 64.073 as proposed.
401 402 403	All in favor. Motion passed.
404 405 406 407	3:38 p.m. Commission members recessed for break 3:48 p.m. Commission members reconvened
408 409 410 411	Agenda Item 7 – New Business Recovery Fund Claims – Owens and Ostendorf – 7(a)
412	On a motion duly made by Ms. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Royse, it was,

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414	RESOLVED with the provision of AS 44.62.310(c) to go into
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416	by law, municipal charter or ordinance are required to be
417	confidential.
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422	In executive session at 3:50 pm
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424	On a motion duly made by Mr. Royse, seconded by Ms. Matthews, it
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427	RESOLVED to come out of executive session.
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429	All in favor; Motion passed.
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431	Out of executive session at 3:59 p.m.
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434	On a motion duly made by Ms. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Pruhs, it was,
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436	RESOLVED that the Real Estate Commission pay out of the
437	recovery fund the claims before us, to Laura Owens and Todd
438 439	Ostendorf the amount of \$12,400 each.
440	All in favor Motion passed
441	All in favor. Motion passed.
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443	DCE Survey Results/presentation/select DCE tenies/hours for 2020, 2022, 7/h)
444	<u>DCE Survey Results/presentation/select DCE topics/hours for 2020-2022 – 7(b)</u> Commission members discussed the results of the DCE survey and DCE topics fo
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448	On a motion duly made by Mr. Royse, seconded by Ms. Nelson, it was,
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450	RESOLVED to have 4 – 2 hour courses; 2 hours - Broker
451	Supervision/Management, 2 hours - Ethics, 2 hours - Prohibited
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454	All in favor. Motion passed.
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457	Online Application – Salesperson by Exam – outreach – 7(c)
458	Ms. Harris spoke about the Salesperson by Exam online application that is now
459	available. She said she is aware that applicants are required to mail in the Notary

Meeting Minutes September 25, 2019 Page 11 of 17 Signature Page is problematic and will work on the revision of the regulation with 460 the Commission to make that change. 461 462 E & O -RISC Report – 7(d) 463 Ms. Harris presented the E & O RISC Report to the Commission. The report 464 provided was for the Second Quarter 2019 and Fourth Quarter 2019. She said this 465 is the first report because before there were no claims. There is currently one 466 claim. 467 468 Clean up Regulations – 7(e) 469 Mr. Royse presented regulations 12 AAC 64.059(d)(1)(B) and (d)(5) that need to 470 be cleaned up. 471 472 Ms. Markwood recommended looking at the clean-up regulations Mr. Royse 473 presented when the Commission reviews the real estate regulations for their 474 effectiveness as a group as mandated by the Governor. 475 476 The Commission agreed to go through/work on the regulation workbook 477 individually and review the real estate regulations. Then have a 2-hour publicly 478 noticed ZOOM work session in February 2020, prior to first meeting of the year, 479 and review and discuss the real estate regulations as a group with a possible 480 second meeting. 481 482 Fine Matrix – 7(f) 483 Mr. Royse spoke to the Commission regarding the Fine Matrix adopted by the 484 Commission February 26, 2010. He said he would like to revisit it. 485 486 On a motion duly made by Ms. Markwood, seconded by Ms. Nelson, it 487 488 was, 489 RESOLVED to postponed discussion on the Fine Matrix until the 490 December meeting. 491 492 All in favor. Motion passed. 493 494 495 Conversation of December meeting date – 7(g) 496 497 On a motion duly made by Mr. Royse, seconded by Ms. Nelson, it was, 498 499 RESOLVED to move the December 11, 2019 meeting to 500 December 18, 2019. 501 502 All in favor. Motion passed. 503 504

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506 Agenda Item 8 - Executive Administrator's Report

- 507 <u>Licensing and Education Report 8(a)</u>
- The Commission reviewed the Licensing and Education Report as presented.
- 509 There were no comments or questions.

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- 511 Status of processing applications
- Ms. Harris stated that Ms. Nelson had a question regarding the status of
- 513 processing of applications.

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Ms. Nelson said Ms. Chambers' presentation answered her question with the standards that are in place with the Division and that is what she was looking for.

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- 518 Recovery Fund Balance Report 8(b)
- The Commission reviewed the Recovery Fund Balance Report as presented.

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- Mr. Royse stated he had an observation that the Commission should be putting the
- 522 budget items for personnel where they belong in the cost of running the
- 523 Commission and not hiding it in the Recovery Fund.

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- ARELLO Conference Report 8(c)
- 526 Ms. Harris gave her ARELLO conference report to the Commission. She said
- some of the highlights were: there is a national regulation reform movement, virtual
- offices-a lot of jurisdictions are reducing requirements for a brick or mortar
- requirement, and advertising of teams is a big issue. She said it was a great
- conference and she appreciates the opportunity to attend. She also said that there
- is also a Commissioner College that looked very interesting if one the
- 532 Commissioners would like to attend.

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Agenda Item 9 – Discuss and Adopt Job Descriptions for Vice-Chair and Education Liaison

- Job Description for Chair provided
- The Commission members reviewed the job descriptions recommended for the Chair, Vice Chair and Education Liaison.

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Vice-Chair and Education Liaison job descriptions for discussion and adoption
 Mr. Royse stated some ideals for Education Liaison job description.

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544 Ms. Nelson asked what the Chair what her intention were for the job descriptions, 545 for general knowledge or are we going to vote.

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The Chair stated her intention is to discuss and adopt job descriptions or if there are any changes to the job descriptions now is the time to do that.

- Ms. Nelson said that on page 38 of the Board and Commission Board Training
- guide there is already a description for Chair.

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Role of the Chair in Board and Commission Meetings

Board and commission members, staff, and the public look to the chairperson to provide leadership during the meeting. The chair should understand the issues before the board or commission, know and understand the philosophies of the fellow members of the board or commission, and be able to bring the board or commission to decisions on difficult or complicated issues. The chairperson should be able to do all of the following effectively:

Run a Meeting: The chair is responsible for running an orderly meeting and conducting public business in a fair and timely manner. Everyone looks to the chairperson for leadership. The chair grants or denies members, staff, and the public the floor to speak.

Maintain Order: The chairperson should not allow cheering, hissing, booing, or other demonstrations from the audience. Nor should he or she permit board or commission members to become rude, confrontational, or argumentative with one another or the audience. Members should not cut off one another or staff when they are speaking, nor monopolize the floor when granted by the chair.

Keep Business Moving: It is the chairperson's job to keep business moving by bringing matters to a vote.

Manage Public Testimony: By using a sign-up list, the chairperson will know who wants to speak on items before the board or commission. If a large number of people wish to speak to the chairperson should set a time limit per speaker (usually three minutes). Rambling, irrelevant testimony should be discouraged, as should commentary from the public during board deliberation of an issue.

Maintain Relevance: Discussion between board or commission members and members of the public who are testifying should be limited to fact gathering that helps the board or commission make informed decisions.

Use Parliamentary Procedure: The chairperson needs to know enough parliamentary procedure to run the meeting. Someone else may serve as the parliamentarian, but the chairperson must have a working knowledge of parliamentary procedure.

Tie Things Together: The chairperson should have the ability to take into account public testimony, board or commission deliberations, and an understanding of the issues at hand when guiding the board or commission toward a decision.

Implement Approved Actions: The chairperson should have the ability to create an action plan and follow through with staff or other entities on the actions decided at the meeting.

Real Estate Commission **Meeting Minutes** September 25, 2019 Page 14 of 17 Uphold the Law: The chairperson should guide the board to prevent decisions that are contrary to law or legal advice. The chairperson should minimize the board's exposure to legal risk and seek its attorney's advice through staff as the need becomes apparent, checking the agenda to schedule the attorney's presence or tabling votes until the next meeting if needed. The chairperson may recess the meeting for a few minutes to confer with the board executive or division management regarding securing an attorney during a board meeting. On a motion duly made by Mr. Royse, seconded by Mr. Pruhs, it was, RESOLVED to establish an education committee to address curriculum for broker and salesperson pre and post licensing education. All in favor. Motion passed. On a motion duly made by Ms. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Pruhs, it was, RESOLVED that the position descriptions be approved. On a motion duly made by Ms. Nelson, seconded by Ms. Markwood, it was, RESOLVED that the role of the Chair position description be the one as outlined on page 38 of the State Board and Commission Member Guide. All in favor. Motion passed. Commission members voted on the original motion to approve the position descriptions. All in favor. Motion passed. Agenda Item 10 – Elections for Vice Chairman & Educational Liaison Election of Education Liaison

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RESOLVED to nominate Mr. Royse as Education Liaison.

On a motion duly made by Ms. Markwood, seconded by Ms. Matthews,

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All in favor. Motion passed.

Election of Vice-Chair

On a motion duly made by Mr. Royse, seconded by Ms. Markwood, it was.

RESOLVED to nominate Ms. Nelson as Vice-Chair.

All in favor. Motion passed.

Agenda Item 11 - Commission Members Comments

Ms. Markwood said this meeting was very productive. She said she was very concerned that the Commission was not going to get through the agenda. She said she was very happy to see that the Commission was able to address all issues. The training provided by Director Chambers was very informative. She is looking forward to working with everyone in the work session in regards to the regulation review. She said there is an undertone in this Commission. She knows the Commission is still new and she is getting used to how everything works. She appreciates the ability to work closely with all members and have good communications skills and get along as we work through this because we are here to represent the public. She said she sees the position as a real estate commission member as an honorable position and she wants to do the very best that she can and she respects everyone who has been appointed in these positions. She wants the Commission to remember that they are here for the public and the Governor.

Mr. Pruhs stated that Ms. Chambers said the Commission should look their goals strategically and that is what he is trying to do. He said with property management he believes a lot of the issues are with education. Can we have a property management endorsement on the license from our education hours we already require? Two years down the road think about our licensing education criteria. Think about having a licensing endorsement if you practice property management. If you want to be a broker for property management, the broker and the licensee who is signing contracts should have a property management endorsement. Also, in education, should we have specific hours for a broker and associate broker? What education must a broker/associate broker have? His final thought was to have one of the Commission meetings meet in Juneau. He said the Commission has issues that come up and we should be talking to the legislators. Have the one in person meeting in Juneau.

Mr. Royse said that many years ago the Commission meeting coincided with the Realtor convention and met in Juneau and he said there is a value in that. He also spoke about 18 years ago the Commission considered endorsing different areas of

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specialization but it came down to restriction of trade. He said the Commission needs to do a better job with brokers. We need to get some team training. Another thing the Commission should be doing relative to some of the other problems, like property management, would be to do white papers and best practices in these areas. There could be a tool to get that information out there. Mr. Royse said another outreach would be to do some best practices in terms of correcting some of these mistakes that are out there. Another issue that the Commission should be looking into in unlicensed activity. Zillow and out of state entities are coming into the state and misrepresenting what they do and we do not do a great job in this area for consumer protection. Also, someone should attend those get rich seminars that are giving wrong information and start looking at unlicensed activity because of the nature of the way this industry is evolving. Everything to remote brokerages and start addressing what the issues are and some of this out of state intrusion of licensed entities. He said all consumers lose and we should look at this for next year.

Ms. Matthews wanted to thank Director Chambers on the excellent training and the very good feedback. She also wanted to thank staff as well. She said as a public member it is really nice to receive all the background that was provided and the availability to ask questions, she really appreciates it. She said the Commission is very fortunate to have staff as well as Shyla. Shyla has made great progress on the claims and seeing that consistency is definitely good. She said thank you and she looks forward to diving into the regulations.

Ms. Nelson said one of the key things the Commission said they were going to do this cycle was teams. She wanted to remind staff to give the Commission a number of the current teams that Mr. Pruhs has asked for from the last meeting, not that you have any numbers but to give what you have. She said at some point the Commission will have to address the E & O Insurance issue. She said there were a number of non-realtors, despite the realtors being in favor, that were not in favor of E & O. She thinks the numbers are really showing that it is not a good use of money. Maybe there will be a burst of claims that are going out but spending close to \$8,000 of money going out of state and we are only paying \$2,000 out in claims? That company is doing well. We could use that money for education or to reimburse the recovery fund. She said that Nancy needs more support from a Committee, specifically for communication, which was not covered at this meeting. She also encouraged the Commission to support and push for digital notary which will make a big difference for the real estate industry and thanked the Commission for a great meeting.

Mr. Sumner also wanted to thank Ms. Chambers for the training today. He said he also looks forward to reviewing the regulations in 2020.

Ms. Chambers made the Commission members aware of the regulation questionnaire that is required to be completed by Commission members when there is a proposed regulation so we can provide this to the public. Ms. Chambers

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thanked the Commission members for their time and if they have any questions regarding their responsibilities or staff's responsibilities, just send her an email any time.

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Ms. McConnochie thanked Ms. Walsh, and Ms. Harris for their hard work. She also thanked Ms. Chambers for the huge amount of time she took out of her schedule to give the Commission training. She said she believed that it was important to receive the information from Ms. Chambers on how the Commission should work. She stated that the Commission needs to figure out a way to work together. She is not the enemy. She said we need to relax a little but also understand we are here for 2 major purposes. One, to protect the public and two, to give good information to licensees so they can make good decisions with correct information. She would like the next meeting to work a bit smoother and looks forward to seeing everybody on December 18, 2019.

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On a motion duly made by Mr. Pruhs, seconded by Mr. Royse, it was,

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RESOLVED to adjourn.

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All in favor. Motion passed.

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Meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

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The next meeting will be held December 18, 2019 in Anchorage.

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