

UTAH APPRAISER LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION BOARD
HEBER M WELLS BUILDING
Room 250
9:00 a.m.
September 27, 2023
Zoom

MINUTES

DIVISION STAFF PRESENT:

Jonathan Stewart, Division Director
Mark Fagergren, Licensing Director
Justin Barney, Hearing Officer
Kadee Wright, Chief Investigator
Michael Genco, Appraisal Licensing
Maelynn Valentine, Board Secretary
Melissa McGill, Licensing Specialist
Laurel North, Lead Investigator
Matt Hastings, Division Analyst

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeff Morley-Chair
Kevin Ewell-Vice Chair
Kris Poulsen-Board Member
Rich Sloan- Board Member
Ron Jensen-Board Member

The September 27, 2023, meeting of the Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board began at 9:00 a.m. with Chair Jeff Morley conducting.

PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Approval of Minutes –

A motion was made and seconded to approve the August 23, 2023, minutes. Chair Morley, yes; Vice Chair Ewell, yes; Board Member Poulsen, yes; Board Member Jensen, yes; Board member Sloan, yes. The motion passes.

Public Comment Period

None

DIVISION REPORTS

DIRECTORS REPORT – Jonathan Stewart

Director Stewart informed the Board that he and other Division staff members will be attending the AARO Conference that is being held next month in Salt Lake City.

ENFORCEMENT REPORT – Kadee Wright

Ms. Wright reported that in August the Division received three complaints, and closed zero cases, leaving 52 appraisal cases open with the Division. There are five cases pending with the AG's office.

EDUCATION AND LICENSING REPORT – Mark Fagergren

Mr. Fagergren reported on statistics. The Division saw a decrease of five trainees, 4 certified residential appraisers and an increase of two licensed appraisers, and three certified general appraisers from last month. There has been a decrease of 39 trainees from last September and this may be due to market conditions. Mr. Fagergren stated that the Division has seen an increased number of applications for out-of-state certified general candidates and of the current 443 certified general appraisers 204 have an out of state address. To give some context the Division has 621 certified residential appraisers and only 40 of those have an out-of-state address, so 94% have Utah addresses. Where 46% of certified general appraisers have an out of state address.

Mr. Fagergren informed the Board that the Division's annual Instructor Development Workshop will be held on October 24th and 25th and invited Board members as the Division's guest if they would like to attend. With the dates of the IDW we have scheduled the October Appraisal Meeting for Thursday October 26th.

Mr. Fagergren reported there were three candidates approved by both the education and experience review committees to sit for their corresponding exams.

- Melissa Sasser; Approved to sit for the Certified Residential Appraiser exam.
- Keith Larsen; Approved to sit for the Licensed Appraiser exam.
- Halen Strong; Approved to sit for the Certified Residential Appraiser exam.

Mr. Fagergren reported there were no candidates denied by the experience review committees to sit for the corresponding exam.

"Yes" answers of appraisers and Appraisal Management Companies that were approved by Division Representatives since our last Appraisal Board Meeting

- Joe Perschon

Mr. Genco informed the Board that the Appraisal Institute released their license module for PARIA. Scott DiBiasio gave more information on the developments and will give more updates in the coming months.

BOARD AND INDUSTRY ISSUES – Justin Barney

Mr. Barney gave an update on the current proposed rule amendment. The amendment was approved for filing and REVVA submitted a written public comment stating a few concerns. Mr. Barney stated that the last possible effective date for this to be filed would be on October 30th, if the board decided not to approve the rule amendment as it is currently written it will expire on that date or be withdrawn, otherwise it is before the Board for action today. Vern Myer also gave comments and concerns regarding the 3rd party inspection portion of the amendment. After a lengthy discussion among Board members Director Stewart informed Mr. Myer that the correct avenue for his concerns

would need to be done through legislation and a bill file would need to be open in those regards. After further discussion on the proposed rule amendment, it was decided to add this to the agenda for further discussion and consideration at next month's meeting.

Experience Review

Mark Dayton

A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting for the sole purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual: Vote, Chair Morley, yes; Vice Chair Ewell, yes; Board Member Poulsen, yes; Board Member Jensen, yes; Board member Sloan, yes. The motion passes.

CLOSED TO PUBLIC

An Executive Session was held.

OPEN TO PUBLIC

A motion was made and seconded approve Mark Dayton to sit for the appraiser exam
Vote, Chair Morley, yes; Vice Chair Ewell, yes; Board Member Poulsen, yes; Board Member Jensen, yes; Board member Sloan, yes. The motion passes.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Vote, Chair Morley, yes; Vice Chair Ewell, yes; Board Member Poulsen, yes; Board Member Jensen, yes; Board member Sloan, yes. The motion passes.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.