



Real Estate Commission

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Unapproved Minutes

Thursday, February 25, 2021

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Phone number: 1(802)828-7667, Phone Conference ID: 449 599 863#

Members Present: Alex Farrell, Paige Farrington, Kathleen Holmes, Paul Harsch, John Marchica and Mikail Stein

OPR Staff Present: Gabe Gillman, Tara Grenier, and Judith Roy

- 1. 9:30 Called to Order**
- 2. No Changes to the agenda**
- 3. Approved December 18, 2020 minutes**
- 4. Public Comment**
 - a. Betty McEnaney asked about a rule change she submitted to the office regarding the Chapter 57 review. Gabe explained that it would be included with the submissions regarding the Chapter 57 review for further discussion.
- 5. Disciplinary Matters**
- 6. Topics for Discussion**
 - a. Universal 3 Year Endorsement Provision draft was shown to the Commission members. There was a lengthy discussion. Paul Harsch moved to approve the draft. Paige Farrington seconded the motion. The motion was approved with one abstention.
- 7. Administrative Updates**
 - a. Chapter 57 review update was given by Gabe Gillman. It is still in the final stages of the process and notices will be going out in the next couple of weeks to the Commission and the Association to show what recommendations will be considered. This will open it up for conversation and dialog before going through the final draft before legislature.

8. Education Review

Kathleen Holmes moved to approve the first course for Preferred systems. Paige Farrington seconded the motion. The motion was approved with one abstention.

Mikail Stein moved to approve the three remaining courses for Preferred systems Kathleen Holmes seconded the motion. The motion was approved with one abstention.

Preferred Systems Inc.

- a. The Basics of Heating Systems for Real Estate Agents for 2 hours
- b. Radon and Real Estate Transactions for 2 hours
- c. Inspecting the Peripherals: From Garage Doors to Sprinkler Systems for 2 hours
- d. Kitchen and Bath Appliances: What Real Estate Agents Need to Know for 2 hours

Kathleen Holmes moved to approve the course for Vermont Housing Finance Agency. Mikail Stein seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Vermont Housing Finance Agency

- a. Affordable Housing Options: How VHFA Can Help Your Homebuyers for 2 hours

9. Other Business

- a. Randy Mayhew had two comments. The first was congratulating the office for the Vermont exam transfer from PSI/AMP to the office of Professional Regulations. The second was concern regarding the additional education requirement for the state energy goals and if that would be required in the next renewal cycle. Gabe will review and this will be added to the next agenda for further discussion.

10. Correspondence

11. Adjourned at 11:24 am

Next Scheduled Meeting – April 22, 2021
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