



BOARD OF DIRECTORS TELEPHONIC MEETING – MINUTES – Wednesday, May 6, 2015

ATTENDEES:

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Others Present:				
	John	Lawhead	509-948-0151	
	Justin	Slack		
	Bill	King		

CALLED TO ORDER – 6:06pm

- Quorum Established
- Approval of Agenda – revised (George will address background checks, under Old Bus-Admin, item b)
- Revised agenda approved by acclamation
- Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes – Margo made motion to approve, George 2nd, approved.

OFFICER REPORTS:

-President’s Report

Penny says appraiser licensing changes not pertaining so much to fee appraisers, more to government employees, regarding education for future certification – continuing education.
 Penny received a letter regarding background checks, of which she will pass on to George.

-Treasurer’s Report –

- a. Monthly / Current YTD Status:** Margo Henson reports the current bank account balance is \$9,499 after payment to TK. She notes that roughly \$5,200 in deposits were made last month. She will ask Mike about a large deposit and let Penny know.
 Justin (AI Seattle Chapter Treasurer) says he’d recently signed a few larger checks made out to ACOW.
- b. Invoices:** Margo says there were no invoices out of the ordinary.
 Penny suggests making another payment to TK for his services. George made a motion to pay TK an amount of \$5,000. Bob Meeks 2nd, approved. This will bring payments to TK current for 2015.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

Penny notes that there are no current “committees” in ACOW. Rather, there has been individual volunteer work. Margo says this is working fine for her, relative to conference organization, but will check with Mike Imes, who has been assisting.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Legislative/Regulatory issues: none

Justin says no activity currently at the State level. He notes that Texas and California are looking at changing rules for appraisals that are not lender/bank related, such that those appraisals would not need to be USPAP compliant.

2. Administrative Topics:

a. Multi-State Appraiser organization: Bob Mossutto says he is not aware of much activity since the last meeting. He is not on their email list yet, so Penny will get him on that list.

b. Background Check: George says he checked with the State Patrol background check department, and found there are 2 ways to get this done; 1) State Patrol, or 2) FBI. All State checks use in-State data only; do not check on out of state records. Thus the only way to get a complete background check is via FBI. For concealed weapons check, they include Interpol search, which is the most comprehensive. So, we should write into the rule that checks should be done by the FBI, and suggests we also add temporary permit applicants to the list requiring checks. George still feels all appraisers should be checked, says we do not need felons in the industry, it improves our standards and rids the State of appraisers with felony records.

Penny read info from Scott D (?) on background checks.

George brought up that a good check can't be done without use of fingerprinting, as it is too easy to assume a different ID.

Bob asked how many States currently use background checks for appraisers? George and Justin will try to find out.

Bill King says RE licensees get fingerprinted every 3rd renewal.

AQB minimum requirement will go into effect in 2017.

c. Customary & Reasonable Fees Survey: Penny asked if this subject is in the AMC bill? No one had. Penny asked if someone could look into it, and Bob Mossutto said he would follow the topic.

3. 2015 Summer Conference:

a. Schedule of speakers: Margo indicated the following;

Thursday morning reviewer panel will include 4 to 5 presenters, including; Mike Munson from Columbia Bank, Justin Slack from Homestreet, and likely speakers from Banner Bank, Umpqua Bank, and Adam Sherman from WA Federal.

Thursday afternoon speaker will be Mike Imes speaking on the topic of "Support your Adjustments".

Friday morning schedule is Peter Christensen from Liability Administrators.

Friday afternoon will be an assessor's "roundtable" discussion with assessors from Kink County and Pierce County.

b. Lunch Speakers/Presenters: still looking into

c. Future Locations: Kirk Dossier indicated that best options for locating the 2016 Summer Conference would be either Yakima, Wenatchee or Ellensburg, and will be looking into options. He is getting an idea of conference cost ranges from Margo.

Penny indicated that we need to get the location established soon so that we can announce it at this year's conference.

John Lawhead is going to assist Kirk in gathering information on potential locations.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. ASFMRA Spring Meeting Results: Penny indicated that she heard there was nothing significant for ACOW concern. The meeting focused primarily on water rights issues.
2. Member/Rep Positions – New Central WA IAAO member is Clark Wright (Douglas Co. Assessor's Office)
3. April Webinar on Background Screening: George says the background check service is at a price. Comergence makes it a central service, but there is no guarantee that all AMC's would accept their information.
Bob says if we have a State policy on background checks with FBI fingerprinting as the standard, then we all would be covered.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: none

ADJOURNMENT:

Penny moved to adjourn the meeting. Meeting Adjourned at 7:12pm

Kirk Dosser
Secretary