

MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING
of
LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF HOME INSPECTORS

Friday, March 7, 2008
9:00 AM
Office of the LSBHI
4664 Jamestown Ave., Suite 220, Baton Rouge

Board Members in Attendance:

District 1 – Terry Hardouin	District 4 – Kinsey James Sitter
District 2 – Ray Treadaway	District 5 – Ralph “Dick” Chance
District 3 – William “Bill” Hatchett	District 6 – Michael LeBas, P.E.
	District 7 – Ceil Fuselier

Those members being in attendance, Chairman LeBas called the meeting to order at 9:04 AM.

Mr. Hatchett motioned to approve the minutes as written, seconded Mr. Chance. Approved unanimously.

The dispute over Monthly Inspection Reporting fees between LHI #10396 Corey Fritts, and LHI #10504 Will Cullen was discussed. Mr. Hatchett motioned that the payment of fees and late fees is the full responsibility of Mr. Cullen, not of his former employer. Mr. Treadaway seconded. Mr. Chance amended the motion to remove late fees, and Vice Chair Fuselier seconded. The vote to include the amendment passed 5 votes to 1. The vote on the amended motion passed 4 votes to 0, with Mr. Treadaway declining his option to vote on the matter.

A second issue regarding Mr. Fritts arose. A letter regarding allegations of non-payment of Monthly Inspection Reporting fees, as well as other information is to be sent from the LSBHI.

C-08-002, Jackson v. Greer, LHI #10171 was reviewed. Due to a lack of a specific violation of the Standards of Practice (SoP) or Code of Ethics (CoE), Mr. Chance motioned for the dismissal of the complaint. Mr. Treadaway seconded the motion, and the complaint was dismissed by a unanimous vote.

C-08-004, Schalue v. Barrial, LHI #10067 was next on the agenda. Due to a lack of specific SoP or CoE violations, Mr. Treadaway motioned for dismissal of the complaint, and Mr. Chance seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

C-08-005, LaValle v. Rogers, LHI #10031 was then reviewed. Mr. Hatchett motioned for further review of this complaint – seconded by Mr. Treadaway. The motion was passed by unanimous vote. Mr. Chance agreed to act as the Special Investigative Entity (SIE).

Ms. Morgan's appeal of C-07-009, Morgan v. Maxcy, LHI #10349 was reviewed next. Since no change had been made to the allegations in the original complaint, Vice Chair Fuselier motioned to dismiss the appeal. Mr. Chance seconded and the appeal was dismissed by unanimous vote.

C-08-003, Johnson v. Heatly, LHI # 10519 was next on the agenda. Due to no specific SoP or CoE violations, Mr. Hatchett motioned to dismiss the complaint – seconded by Vice Chair Fuselier. The complaint was dismissed by unanimous vote.

C-08-006, Perere v. Hallford, LHI #10513, was heard next. Again, due to a lack of a specific violation of the SoP or CoE, Vice Chair Fuselier motioned for dismissal, and Mr. Hardouin seconded. The issue was dismissed by unanimous vote.

C-08-007, Shearer v. Makofsky, LHI #10072, was next on the agenda. Upon receipt of specific violations of the SoP or CoE, Mr. Treadaway motioned to appoint a SIE, and Vice Chair Fuselier seconded. The vote to accept the motion was unanimously in favor.

LHI #10419, Morgan Wood, appeared before the Board to appeal his late fee penalties. Two background checks were reviewed. Barry Landry, LHI #10281 appeared before the Board to discuss Infield Training issues and concerns. The Board agreed to hold a mid-April Infield Training Rountable.

Based on a suggestion from Norman Hall, LHI #10545, Continuing Education credits for Code-related topics needs to be increased from the current annual limit of two (2) hours per year, per Code topic. Mr. Treadaway that, "as long as the Code subject of the CE course is *directly related* to the nine (9) components of a home Inspection Report (HIR), CR credits are to be earned for the same amount of "real time" of the course." Issues outside of the scope of a HIR (i.e. mold, radon...) are to continue with the two (2) hour limit per annum. Mr. Hardouin seconded, and the measure was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Hatchett motioned for the meeting to into Executive Session, with the option of going public again, if needed. Mr. Hardouin seconded, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Upon re-opening of the meeting to the public, Mr. Hatchett motioned to abbreviate the proposed legislative language change in expired licenses from three (3) years to two (2). Vice Chair Fuselier seconded, and the motion was adopted unanimously.

Vice Chair Fuselier, at 2:01 PM. Motioned for the meeting to adjourn – seconded by Mr. Treadaway. The motion passed by unanimous vote, and Chairman LeBas then adjourned the meeting.

Other attendees: Albert Nicaud, Board Attorney; COO; Spencer Maxcy; Thomnas E. Smith, Jr.; Corey Fritts; Foxe Smothers; Morgan Wood; Bill Springer; Johnny Joyner; Joe Cook; Will Cullen; Hunter Bridges; John Heatly; Debra Milligan; Spence Maxcy, and his counsel Samuel Ward.

Minutes recorded by: COO