

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
Of
LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF HOME INSPECTORS

Friday, December 2, 2016
9:00 AM
Office of the LSBHI
5211 Essen Lane Suite 9, Baton Rouge

Board Members in Attendance:

District 1 – Friedrich Gurtler, P.E.	District 4 – Paul Collucci
District 2 – Roy E Burst III	District 5 – Mike Burroughs
District 3 – James Yaeger	District 6 – Kevin Dinkel
	District 7 – Keith Blanchard

I

Those members being in attendance, Chairman Fritz Gurtler called the meeting to order at 9:20 AM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the previous Quarterly Board Meeting and the October 28th Special Board meeting. Mr. Roy Burst motioned to approve the minutes as written. Mr. James Yaeger seconded and the motion carried.

II

C-16-002 Cox v. Gregg LHI#10724- This complaint was dismissed. The SIE found no probable cause for a hearing.

C-16-003 LSBHI v. LaFleur LHI#10838- Mr. LaFleur was present for the hearing and sworn in by Chairman, Fritz Gurtler. Mr. LaFleur admitted to performing 88 inspections with an expired license. Mr. LaFleur introduced into evidence a spreadsheet of all inspections performed during that time. Mike Burroughs motioned to find Mr. LaFleur in violation of LAC46XL115D; James Yaeger seconded and was carried with a 5-0 vote with Keith Blanchard abstaining. A fine of \$150.00 per inspection performed while holding an expired license (Total: \$13200.00) was ordered by the Board with a 3-2 vote and one abstention by Keith Blanchard.

C-16-004 LSBHI v. Dinkel LHI#10050- Mr. Dinkel was present for the hearing and sworn in by Chairman, Fritz Gurtler. Mr. Dinkel self-reported an advertising violation to the Board. It wasn't until the advertising material was completed that Mr. Dinkel noticed that his license number was missing. Keith Blanchard motioned that the complaint be dismissed; the motion died. Mike Burroughs motioned to find Mr. Dinkel in violation of LAC46XL135D; James Yaeger seconded and the motion was carried by a 4-1 vote with Kevin Dinkel abstaining. The Board ordered Mr. Dinkel to attend the next available Standards of Practice and Report Writing Seminar in lieu of a fine by a 3-2 vote and one abstention by Kevin Dinkel.

III

The Board then carefully discussed the proposed changes to the Louisiana Home Inspector Licensing Law Chapter 17-A. The proposed changes were voted on and will be introduced during the upcoming 2017 Legislative session.

IV

The Board reviewed the budget for the 2017 fiscal year that was prepared in compliance with the Louisiana Revised Statutes (R.S.) 39:1331 through 1342 by Chief Operating Officer, Morgan Spinosa. Roy Burst III motioned to approve the State budget. Mike Burroughs seconded and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

V

The Board reviewed the dates for 2017 Board meetings. Roy Burst motioned to approve the dates. James Yaeger seconded and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

March 3, 2017

June 2, 2017

September 8, 2017

December 1, 2017

VI

Election of 2017 officers:

2017 Chairman- Mr. Friedrich Gurtler

2017 Vice Chairman- Mr. James Yaeger

Meeting Adjourned 12:30 PM

Other attendees: Albert Nicaud, Board Attorney; Morgan Spinosa, COO; Scott Hearne; Jade LaFleur; David Ruppert; Marc LeBlanc; Ryan Johnson; Ricky Thibodeaux; Patric Larson; Herbert Stogner; Nathan Lemoine; Brian Alvarez; Gordon Atwell; Connie Boudoin; Joe Cook; Roland LeBlanc; Spencer Maxcy; Mark Stinson; Chris Gomez

Minutes recorded by: C.O.O. Spinosa