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Massachusetts Board of Registration of Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons
Education Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
May 16, 2024

Conducted remotely via Microsoft Teams

The following subcommittee members were present:

Peter Ruffini, Real Estate Board Member
Lisa Luther
Isabelle Perkins
Robert Nahigian
Anita Hill

The following subcommittee members were not present:

Linda Kody, Real Estate Board Member - Chair
Michael McDonagh

The following members of Board Staff were present:

Kristin Mitchell, Executive Director
Colleen Cavanaugh, Associate Executive Director
Jenna Hentoff, Legal Counsel

I. Call to Order – Subcommittee Co-Chair Peter Ruffini opened the meeting at 2:08 p.m.

II. Vote on Minutes - A MOTION was made by Ms. Hill to approve the amended minutes of the open subcommittee meetings held on November 3, 2023 and January 4, 2024 as well as the minutes of the open subcommittee meeting held on March 21, 2024, as written. The Motion was seconded by Ms. Perkins and unanimously adopted by a roll call vote: Ruffini – “Yes”; Hill – “Yes”; Luther – “Yes”; Perkins – “Yes”; Nahigian – “Yes”.

III. Discussion -

(a) **School FAQs:** Executive Director Kristin Mitchell presented to the subcommittee proposed frequently asked questions submitted by Robert Nahigian for review. After discussion, A MOTION was made by Ms. Hill to table for further discussion to allow for additional review. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Nahigian and unanimously adopted by a roll call vote: Ruffini – “Yes”; Hill – “Yes”; Luther – “Yes”; Perkins – “Yes”; Nahigian – “Yes”.

IV. New Course Application Review:

(a) **Navigating the Green Rush Commercial Real Estate and Legalized Cannabis** - The Subcommittee reviewed the submitted continuing education course. The members discussed some concerns on the course’s objective and regarding whether the material would be too unfamiliar for instructors to teach. The Subcommittee instructed Ms. Mitchell to go back to the submitter to recommend an update the objective, the creation a glossary and the addition of a distinction between CBD and marijuana in section one.

V. Existing Courses Revision Review - Nothing to report.

VI. Matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting – Kristin Mitchell confirmed the next meeting date on June 20, 2024.

VII. Adjournment - Mr. Nahigian made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 3:14 p.m. The Motion was seconded by Ms. Luther and unanimously adopted by a roll call vote: Ruffini – “Yes”; Hill – “Yes”; Luther – “Yes”; Perkins – “Yes”; Nahigian – “Yes”.

List of Documents used at the meeting:

1. Meeting agenda
2. Amended minutes of the meetings of November 3, 2023 and January 4, 2024
3. Minutes of the meeting of March 21, 2024
4. Proposed FAQs drafted by Robert Nahigian
5. Continuing education application for Navigating the Green Rush Commercial Real Estate and Legalized Cannabis

The above Minutes were approved at the Open Subcommittee Meeting held June 20, 2024.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kristin Mitchell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'K' and 'M'.

Kristin Mitchell, Executive Director
Board of Registration of Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons