

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Board of Auctioneers Meeting

Meeting Type: General Board Meeting, Homewood Suites Hotel,
Tallahassee, FL

Meeting Date: December 13, 2006

Board Members: Fred Dietrich, Chair
Michael Moecker, Vice Chair
Craig Accardo
Jody Hill
Donald Shearer

Other Attendees: Tim Vaccaro, Division Director
Anthony B. Spivey, Executive Director
Renese Jones, Government Analyst I
Barbara Edwards, Assistant Attorney General
Jessica Leigh, Prosecuting Attorney

Major Issues/Actions

- Ms. Leigh provided a case-load report to the board members which includes a total of 40 auctioneer cases in legal. Twenty-four of the cases are public cases with the remaining sixteen are still in a confidential status.
- The first quarter financials for fiscal year 2006-2007 were presented to the board for review and discussion. The operating account ended the quarter with a balance of \$158,666; the auctioneer recovery operating fund ended the quarter with a balance of \$788,457; and the unlicensed activity account ended the year with a balance of \$28,433.
- The board received a board member training presentation that included briefings on the department, the Attorney General's office, and board member responsibilities. The training was provided by Mr. Spivey, Ms. Edwards, and Ms. Leigh. The board responded favorably towards the training.
- The board discussed the subject of consignment shop owners who take personal items from customers and place the items of E-Bay for sale. Initially, it was the opinion of the board that these shop owners had to be licensed as auctioneers. The department has explained to the board that the consignment shop owners are not required to have an auctioneer license to place items on E-Bay if the auctioning of the items is not done under the auspices of a live auction. The board understood the position of the department.

- Mr. Dietrich requested the board look at re-introducing legislation on background and fingerprint checks for auctioneer applicants. This was an item up for review during the 2006 legislative session but did not pass. The department requested the board to hold any pending legislative requests until after the inauguration of the Governor, and until the department has had time to review such issues and determine what it will be able to support. The board was accommodating.

Anthony B. Spivey
Executive Director
December 15, 2006