

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Board of Auctioneers Meeting

Meeting Type: General Board Meeting, Grand Hyatt Regency, Tampa, FL

Meeting Date: September 14, 2005

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

Other Attendees: Anthony B. Spivey, Executive Director
Donna Salters, Government Analyst I
Renese Jones, Administrative Assistant II
Daniel Biggins, Assistant Attorney General
Jessica Leigh, Assistant General Counsel

Major Issues/Actions

The board discussed the various matters during the meeting:

- The board reviewed the language in Senate Bill 1012 which authorizes a board to reinstate a null and void license if it desires to do so by specific rule language. The board voted to pursue rule development to develop language that will address the reinstatement of a null and void license. Board counsel will present draft language at the December 14, 2005, board meeting. The board did voice some concern as to whether a null and void license once reinstated; would the licensee be re-issued the license number previously held. The board was advised that this question would be posed to technology for a response to be provided at the December meeting.
- Mr. Dietrich announced that board member Donald Shearer was inducted into the NAA Hall of Fame for 2005. Mr. Shearer has served as a professional auctioneer for over twenty years with the Walt Disney Company.
- Mr. Dietrich spoke with the board regarding National Auctioneers Association (NAA) conference being held next year. The conference is scheduled in Orlando next year on July 10, 2006. Mr. Dietrich would like to try and schedule a board meeting during this period to allow for interaction between the board and the conference during one of the scheduled seminars sponsored by the NAA conference.

- The board has requested more information from the department regarding the action it has taken to address the unlicensed activity of individuals performing as auctioneers without a license in the state. The board would specifically like to see more action taken to address the Internet sites that are taking bids on items in the state without holding an auctioneer's license.
- Financial statements were presented to the board for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2004 – 2005. There was some concern expressed over another possible sweep of funds from the account by the legislature. The board members were advised that the department has not been apprised of any pending withdrawal of funds from the board account to the working capital trust fund.
- The board did address possible ways of attracting more individuals from the public to attend the meetings and provide input on various subjects discussed by the board. One method suggested to increase attendance was to provide a mailer to the licensees informing them of the public meetings. The board was advised that this suggestion would be brought back to the department for consideration.

Anthony B. Spivey
Executive Director
September 15, 2005