

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
Regulatory Council of Community Association Mangers

Meeting Type: General Business Meeting

Meeting Date: April 23, 2004

Meeting Location: Telephone Conference Call

Board Members Present: Reginald Billups, (Chair), Steve Czonstka, Debra Glass, Edith Yates

Board Members Absent: Marilyn Battista (excused), Chris Brown

Department Staff: Julie Malone, Executive Director
Donna Salters-Thomas, Government Analyst
Barbara Edwards, Assistant Attorney General
Brian Higgins, Prosecuting Attorney
Charles Pellegrini, Prosecuting Attorney
Julie Baker, Deputy Secretary
Jerry Wilson, Deputy Director

Others Present: Mark Benson, FCAMA
Molley Foley-Healy, CAI
Richard Pinsky, Gray Systems

Major Issues

- The minutes were approved from the January 23, 2004 meeting.
- There was a discussion on a proposed change to Section 468, Florida Statutes that would require licensing management companies. The Council decided that there was insufficient funding and to pursue this in the 2005 legislative session.
- The Council unanimously approved support for an amendment for the 2004 legislative session that would require licensing community association management companies if there is proper funding to do so.
- The Council unanimously voted to accept the language for Rule 61-20.504, F.A.C. for exam and re-exam fees.
- Rule 61-20.0025, F.A.C. Exemption of Military Spouses was published on March 19, 2004 approved on by JAPC March 23, 2004, and should be adopted by the next meeting.
- Rule 61-20.001, F.A.C Licensing Procedures for Managers License and Rule 61-20.002, F.A.C. Expiration and Renewal of Managers License has been provided to the department for review and recommendations.

- There was a discussion on the rule making authority of the Council and the department on behalf of the Council concerning Rule 61-20.001, F.A.C. Ms. Edwards, Board Counsel stated that the Council had the authority, Ms. Malone, Executive Director stated that the authority to change rules lies within the department, per the office of General Counsel.
- There was \$25,127,177 transferred from the Professional Regulation Fund to the Working Capital Fund. Of the sweep, \$63,233 came from CAM unlicensed activity account.
- The Council expressed concerns regarding the Legislature's ability to sweep fees that are collected to cover services required by the profession. The Council is duly placed on record stating that they oppose the cash sweep.
- Ms. Baker informed the Council that the Legislature is committed to not raising taxes therefore, they utilize the authority they have in Section 215.32(4)(a), F.S. to transfer un-appropriated cash balances from trust funds to the Budget Stabilization Fund or Working Capital Fund.
- The next meeting will be held Friday, July 16, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. by telephone conference call.

Action Items

- Ms. Malone will provide the formula used by DBPR budget office of how they decide what is swept from a profession.

Julie Malone
Executive Director