South Carolina Auctioneers' Commission Minutes

Continuing Education Approval Criteria Task Force Monday, February 29, 2016 Synergy Business Park 110 Centerview Drive, Kingstree Building, Room 202-03 Columbia, South Carolina 10:30 a.m.

1. Meeting Called to Order

A. Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the S. C. Auctioneer's Commission office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

Task Force members were Jamison Marchant of Mt. Pleasant, Ivan Broadwell of Clover, Georgia Lewis, Advice Counsel, Amy Holleman, Administrator, and Monaca Harrelson, Administrative Assistant.

2. Continuing Education Approval Criteria

Discussion ensued about criteria related to approval of auction schools, continuing education sponsors, and instructors.

Ms. Lewis noted that Section 40-6-240(B) gives the Commission the right to approve continuing education. However, the current statues do not allow for any disciplinary action to be taken. She would advise that references to disciplinary action be removed from the criteria. This would include removal of drop-in inspections, discipline actions regarding approved entities, monitoring requirements, changing the title of #5 from "Disciplinary Actions" to "Recension of Approval", and removal of mention of handling complaints.

Under #2 "Requirements for Approval and Renewal of Approval" it is recommended that Renewals of Approval will be conducted on a biennial basis by December 31 of each even year. LLR will administer a system of certifications and approvals.

For the first year of renewals of approval (i.e. by December 31, 2016), all auction schools, CE sponsors, and instructors will be required to submit information for approval. Once a school has been approved it shall provide updates of any changes to any instruction matters.

Due to changing business practices, changes in types of auctions commonly called, increasing office technology, and an emphasis on laws, regulations, and ethics, the Task Force recommends that Auction Schools decrease instruction hours by two hours for "Antiques, furniture, and collectibles", "Automobile auctions" and "Business liquidations and Uniform Commercial Code". The Task Force recommends to increase instruction by two hours for "Laws, rules and regulations, and ethics" and by six hours for "Computer technology and office equipment".

3. Adjournment