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Real Estate Administration and Disciplinary Board
Minutes of Open Session

Meeting Date: September 10, 2026

Location: IDFPR - Division of Real Estate
555 West Monroe Street, 5th Floor, Conference Room 5C5
Chicago, IL 60661
And
Via Interactive Video Conference
320 West Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Conference Room 376
Springfield, IL 62786

Board Member(s) Present
at Chicago Location: Valerie Acosta, Loretta Alonzo-Deubel, Gaspar Flores, Jr., Oralia Herrera,
Alberta Johnson, Michele Nixon, and Theodore Yi

Board Member(s) Present
at Springfield location: Paula Arpasi, David Levin, Carol Meinhart, and Norman
Willoughby

Board Member(s) Absent: Sara Bryan, Shirin Marvi, Michael Oldenettel

Division Staff Present: Jeremy Reed - Deputy Director of the Division of Real Estate
Jennifer Rossiter Moreno – Real Estate Coordinator
Adrienne Levatino – Associate General Counsel
Nathaniel Chandler – Chief of Licensing and Education
Merle Shearer – Chief of Prosecutions
Hector Rodriguez – Chief of Investigations
Asna Aliuddin – Staff Attorney
Susan Sigourney – Board Liaison
Maria Lopez – Board Liaison

Guest(s) Present: Kirk Antkiewicz – Chicago Association of Realtors
Rocky Esposito – AHI Real Estate
Marilyn Glazer – Colibri RE Express
Sharon Halperin – Oak Park Area Assoc of Realtors
Katelyn Taylor – Colibri Group

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chair Jennifer Rossiter Moreno.
The Board members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

Approval of Minutes: Board members reviewed the Minutes of the open session of the
August 13, 2026, Board meeting. A motion was then made by Alonzo-Deubel
and seconded by Herrera to approve the August 13, 2026, open session minutes.
The motion was passed unanimously.

Public Comments: There were no comments from members of the public.

Staff Reports:

Licensing: The 2026 Licensing Report for activity conducted in August was
presented and distributed.

Active licensee counts are as follows:
Managing Brokers 14,195
Residential Leasing Agents 4,103
Real Estate Brokers 51,856
Branch Offices 1,253
Broker Corporations 2,915
Broker Partnerships 21
Limited Liability Firms 2,572
Real Estate Virtual Offices 166
Real Estate Education Providers 69
Real Estate Pre-Licensed Instructors 264
Real Estate Pre-Licensed Courses 421
Real Estate Education Provider Virtual Offices 3
Real Estate CE Instructors 138
Real Estate CE Courses 592

Education: Nathaniel Chandler provided an update on Residential Leasing Agent license
renewal. The renewal period and online renewal grace period has lapsed.
Licenses have been moved to not renewed status. Licensees wishing to renew at
this time can do so by requesting a renewal application from the Licensing Unit.
They can also use the “Reactivate your License” link on the website.

Complaints:	The 2026 Complaints Report through the month of August was presented and distributed. 40 New Complaints 19 Complaints Assigned to Investigations No Complaints Closed at Intake Review 21 Complaints Closed at CCR
Audits:	The 2026 Audits Report for activity conducted in August was distributed. ▪ Six Broker verification reports completed not practicing ▪ Six Broker verification reports completed who are practicing ▪ Six Completed for brokers who are practicing who were inspected ▪ Zero Completed for brokers who were not inspected ▪ 19 Initial Examinations completed by Examiners completed in August where violations had previously been found, and compliance has now been demonstrated
Investigations:	The 2026 Investigations Report through the month of August was presented and distributed. 23 Complaints converted to cases and assigned to Investigations Nine Cases Referred to Prosecutions 19 Cases Closed at Investigations 678 Total Real Estate Cases pending in Investigations
Prosecutions:	The 2026 Prosecutions Report through the month of August was presented and distributed. 157 Pending Cases 29 New Cases 62 Closed Cases Two Formal Complaints Two Informal Conferences No Formal Hearings
Formal Hearing Schedule:	There are no formal hearings scheduled at this time.
Old Business:	None
New Business:	i. The proposed Board Schedule for 2027 was reviewed and approved. ii. Chairperson introduced Paula Arpasi, the Board's newest member, who provided a brief summary of her 23 years in the real estate profession in Illinois.
Closed Session:	A motion was made at 9:48 a.m. by Nixon and seconded by Flores to enter into Closed Session for the purposes set forth in Sections 2(c)(4), (15) and 21 of the Open Meetings Act. The Motion was passed unanimously upon a roll call vote.

Review of Minutes:	The Board reviewed the closed session minutes of its August 13, 2026, meeting.												
Deliberations:	The Board deliberated on pending disciplinary matters pursuant to Section 20-64 of the Real Estate License Act of 2000.												
Consumer Complaint Review And Case Review Group Report:	<u>August 19, 2026</u> Seven cases were recommended for closure by Investigations. Two cases were to be closed by Prosecutions. 11 complaints were referred to Investigations. Nine complaints were recommended for closure. <u>September 2, 2026</u> 15 cases were recommended for closure by Investigations. One case was to be closed by Prosecutions. Seven complaints were referred to Investigations. 18 complaints were recommended for closure.												
Motion To Return to Open Session:	A Motion was made at 10:12 a.m. by Nixon and seconded by Alonzo-Deubel, to return to open session. The Motion was passed unanimously.												
Approval of Minutes:	A motion was made by Acosta and seconded by Johnson, to approve the closed minutes of the August 13, 2026, Board meeting as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.												
Ratify Actions Taken in Closed Session:	A motion was made by Alonzo-Deubel and seconded by Flores to ratify the actions of the Consumer Complaint Review (CCR) and Case Review Group (CRG) and to ratify the recommendations made by the Board in Closed Session. The motion was passed unanimously.												
Recommendations:	The Board engaged in deliberations in three cases: 2023-11535, 2025-03930, and 2026-06476, and submitted its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendation in both cases to the Director												
Orders:	One Order was reviewed and discussed in Closed Session. The Board received a report reflecting that the Director had taken final action on six Consent Orders previously signed by the Board: <table> <tr> <td>2023-09098</td><td>Steve Abdullah</td></tr> <tr> <td>2024-11551</td><td>Anthony J. Robinson</td></tr> <tr> <td>2026-08578</td><td>Jeron Starks</td></tr> <tr> <td>2023-10980</td><td>Michelle W. Wiedman</td></tr> <tr> <td>2024-07769</td><td>Jose Mendoza</td></tr> <tr> <td>2025-02619</td><td>Francisco Lopez</td></tr> </table>	2023-09098	Steve Abdullah	2024-11551	Anthony J. Robinson	2026-08578	Jeron Starks	2023-10980	Michelle W. Wiedman	2024-07769	Jose Mendoza	2025-02619	Francisco Lopez
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Minutes Remain Closed:

A motion was made by Acosta and seconded by Herrera that, due to the continuing need for confidentiality, all minutes of all closed sessions of the READ Board meetings remain and be kept closed. The motion was passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, a motion was made at 10:21 a.m. by Alonzo-Deubel and seconded by Flores to adjourn the meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.