



Alabama Electronic Security Board of Licensure
Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 9, 2021, 9:30 a.m.
Homewood Suites, Meeting Room
7800 Eastchase Parkway
Montgomery, Alabama 36117

After a public hearing on the proposed Rule change, John Orr, Chairman, called the meeting to order at approximately 9:30 a.m. at Homewood Suites in Montgomery, Alabama, as posted on the Secretary of State's website and the AESBL website. Mr. Orr asked Janet Robinson, Executive Director, to call the roll. Members present: John Orr, Sheriff Derrick Cunningham, Seanne' Warrior, Morgan Garner, and Geoffrey Wilson. Scott Hunter attended via Zoom.

I. Quorum:

A quorum was present. Peggy Rossmannith from the Alabama Attorney General's Office certified the quorum.

II. Minutes of August 10, 2021, Board Meeting:

Mr. Orr asked members to review the minutes for the August 10, 2021, Board Meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Orr. Second by Sheriff Cunningham. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

III. Discussion of Relevant Concerns:

There were no concerns at this time.

IV. Permitting of Licensing of Companies for 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 and 2022/2023:

Mr. Orr called for a motion on the eighty (80) companies that have been licensed from July 1, 2021, to September 30, 2021.

For 2020/2021—Of the 80 companies, twelve (12) were licensed for 2020/2021. A motion to approve the licenses of the 12 companies was made by Mr. Wilson. Second by Sheriff Cunningham. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

For 2021/2022—Of the 80 companies, twenty-one (21) were licensed for 2021/2022. A motion to approve the licenses of the 21 companies was made by Mr. Wilson. Second by Sheriff Cunningham. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

For 2022/2023—Of the 80 companies, forty-seven (47) were licensed for 2022/2023. A motion to approve the licenses of the 47 companies, effective January 1, 2022, was made by Mr. Wilson. Second by Ms. Warrior. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

NOTE: During the fourth quarter of FY2021, fifteen (15) new companies were licensed.

Permitting of Licensing of Individuals for 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 and 2022/2023:

Mr. Orr called for a motion on the three hundred eighty-three (383) individuals who were licensed with background checks from July 1, 2021, to September 30, 2021.

For 2020/2021—Of the 383 individuals, one hundred forty-six (146) were licensed for 2020/2021. A motion to approve the licenses of the 146 individuals was made by Sheriff Cunningham. Second by Mr. Wilson. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

For 2021/2022—Of the 383 individuals, one hundred thirty-five (135) were licensed for 2021/2022. A motion to approve the licenses of the 135 individuals was made by Ms. Warrior. Second by Sheriff Cunningham. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

For 2022/2023—Of the 383 individuals, one hundred two (102) were licensed for 2022/2023. A motion to approve the licenses of the 102 individuals, effective January 1, 2022, was made by Mr. Garner. Second by Mr. Wilson. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

NOTE: During the fourth quarter of FY2021, one hundred ninety-seven (197) new individuals were licensed.

V. Items to Discuss:

A. Vote on Proposed Rule change following the Public Hearing:

A motion was made by Mr. Wilson to accept the Rule change regarding AESBL Inspectors filing Administrative Complaints against companies that refuse to comply with annual inspections. Second by Sheriff Cunningham. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

B. Revocation of CCTV Waivers:

Tori Lewis, AESBL Licensing Coordinator, presented a list of companies that had been previously fined for late or non-renewal of licensing that also held an approved CCTV waiver from the Board. She inquired as to whether the Board wanted to begin the process of revoking the waivers as language is in place to do so. A motion was made by Sheriff Cunningham to table the subject until a Rule change could be made to strengthen the language of the revocation process. Second by Mr. Garner. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

C. Towing Services – advertising for lockouts:

Mrs. Lewis informed the Board that many towing companies are advertising online that they do lockout service. This activity goes against the exemption allowed in Code of Alabama, 1975, §34-1A-6(16). The Board instructed the staff to make initial contact with the towing association to discuss the matter.

D. Training Certification Review:

Mrs. Lewis presented a diploma from Penn Foster Career School issued to Trenton Perkins for the completion of their Locksmith and Home Security Technician Program. Mr. Perkins is the owner of TP Security and has applied for first-time licensing for locksmith and CCTV work. Mrs. Lewis inquired as to whether the Board would accept the diploma in lieu of certified training. A motion was made by Sheriff Cunningham to accept the diploma as classroom education only with the understanding that Mr. Perkins would still need to pass the proctored exam for both the locksmith certification and CCTV certification. Second by Mr. Garner. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

E. Ideacom of the Gulf Coast – request for exemption:

After speaking with Kelsia Robb via Zoom, and after reviewing materials submitted to the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Orr to grant an exemption to Ideacom of the Gulf Coast under their State of Alabama General Contractor's license #28170 as set forth by 34-1A-6(11). Second by Sheriff Cunningham. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

F. Licensing Information in Advertising:

Holly Borgman, Vice President of Governmental Affairs with ADT, addressed the Board regarding the listing of company license numbers in advertising. Because of licensing in other states, Ms. Borgman inquired as to whether a company could list a URL address in print and media advertising in order to consolidate multiple state requirements. The Board declined to make a motion at the time but suggested a Rule change may be needed.

G. Email Accounts for AESBL Inspector and Investigators:

Ms. Robinson asked the Board to consider AESBL email accounts, assigned through OIT, for the investigator as well as the three inspectors. A motion was made by Mr. Orr to table the subject until the February board meeting so that the cost for additional email addresses can be obtained from OIT and presented to the Board. Second by Sheriff Cunningham. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

H. Acceptable CEUs for Renewal:

The administrative staff requested guidance from the Board regarding CEUs that have been received for renewal applications that are not on the approved CEU list. The Board directed the staff to reject CEU certificates that are not listed on the AESBL website or that do not fall under the additional guidelines set forth by the AESBL Education Committee. The Board acknowledged that licensees who have obtained CEUs that are not on the approved list can either ask the entity issuing the CEUs to submit the courses for approval through the appropriate association, or the licensee can submit a course that they have received CEU credit for to the appropriate association for approval.

VI. Executive Session:

A motion was made by Mr. Garner to enter Executive Session to discuss a recommendation to the Board. Second by Sheriff Cunningham. A roll call vote was taken: Mr. Orr voted to approve, Sheriff Cunningham voted to approve, Ms. Warrior voted to approve, Mr. Garner voted to approve, and Mr. Wilson voted to approve. The Board disconnected from the Zoom call designated for General Session. The Board connected to the Zoom call designated for Executive Session. Under the governor's proclamation, Mr. Hunter attended via Zoom. Assistant Attorney General Peggy Rossmanith declared at 10:52 a.m. that the Board in Executive Session until approximately 11:37 a.m.

Mr. Orr declared at 11:25 a.m. that the Board was out of Executive Session and back in General Session. The Board reconnected on the Zoom call, but Mr. Hunter was no longer on the call.

A motion was made by Mr. Orr to approve the consent order with Vivint, Inc. Second by Mr. Garner. Sheriff Cunningham abstained from the vote. All others were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Garner to remove private resolutions from the AESBL website. Second by Mr. Orr. Sheriff Cunningham abstained from the vote. All others were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

VII. AESBL Budget for Fiscal Year 2021:

Ms. Robinson presented a report reflecting deposits and payments made in the fourth quarter of FY2021 as well as a preliminary report for the completed Fiscal Year of 2021.

VIII. Other Business:

A. Board Member Terms Expiring:

Ms. Robinson reminded the Board that both Scott Hunter and Seanne' Warrior's terms expired on September 30, 2021. She informed the Board that the appropriate entities had submitted nominations to the Governor's office.

B. Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2022:

A motion was made by Mr. Garner to re-nominate Mr. Orr as Chair for 2022. Second by Sheriff Cunningham. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Orr to re-nominate Sheriff Cunningham as Vice Chair for 2022. Second by Mr. Wilson. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

C. Election of CHRI Auditor for 2022:

A motion was made by Mr. Orr to re-nominate Ms. Warrior as CHRI Auditor for 2022. Second by Sheriff Cunningham. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

D. Assign Board Member to Investigative Committee:

A motion was made by Sheriff Cunningham to assign Mr. Garner to the Investigative Committee for the next quarter. Second by Mr. Orr. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

E. Re-appointment of Rules Committee for Changes to the Administrative Code:

A motion was made by Mr. Garner to appoint the following Board members to the Rules Committee: Mr. Orr, Sheriff Cunningham, and Mr. Wilson. Second by Ms. Warrior. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

F. Dates for 2022 Board Meetings:

Ms. Robinson presented the meeting dates for 2022. Additionally, Ms. Robinson informed the Board that a new meeting facility had been secured for 2022. Dates and location are listed on the Secretary of State's website as well as the AESBL website.

G. Next Scheduled Board Meeting: Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn was made by Sheriff Cunningham. Second by Mr. Garner. All were in favor. None opposed. Motion carried. The Board adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

Approved by the Board on February 8, 2022.



John D. Orr, Sr., Chairman



Janet Robinson, Executive Director