

# MINUTES

## Mississippi Real Estate Commission

March 10, 2026

The Mississippi Real Estate Commission held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at the offices of the Mississippi Real Estate Commission located in the LeFleur's Bluff Tower, Suite 300, 4780 I-55 North, Jackson, Mississippi. The following Commissioners were in attendance: Chairman Jim Stroo of the Fourth Congressional District, Vice-Chair Tony Jones, Member-At-Large, Commissioner Brian Gomillion of the First Supreme Court District, Commissioner Vicki Blackwell of the First Congressional District, and Commissioner Appointee Daniel Case of the Second Supreme Court District. Staff Members in attendance included Executive Director Bryan Lieb, Chief Investigator Rick Stubblefield, MREC Contract Investigator Johnnie L. Phillips, MREC Legal Counsel William Hussey, Chief Operating Officer Holly Hood, and Administrative Assistant Michelle Little. Guests in attendance included Jo Usry, David Ostrander, Ron Farris, Mark Metcalf, Andrea Detrick, Beth Hansen, Ryan Marchbanks, Jovaunda Smith, and Harper Ford.

Chairman Jim Stroo recognized a quorum and called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M, followed by a prayer. Thereafter, all present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### Previous Commission Meeting Minutes

The Commissioners reviewed the minutes of the January 13, 2026, regularly scheduled meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Jones and duly seconded by Commissioner Gomillion that the minutes be accepted as presented. The motion carried, and votes of Commissioners present were recorded as follows:

JIM STROO	AYE
TONY JONES	AYE
VICKI BLACKWELL	AYE
BRIAN GOMILLION	AYE

#### Financial Statements

MREC Executive Director Bryan Lieb presented an explanation and documentation of the following financial statements: *Period Ending: 01/31/2026, FY'26, and Period Ending: 02/28/2026, FY'26.* A motion was made by Commissioner Gomillion and duly seconded by Commissioner Jones that the financial statement be approved as presented, subject to audit. The motion carried, and votes of Commissioners present were recorded as follows:

JIM STROO	AYE
TONY JONES	AYE
VICKI BLACKWELL	AYE
BRIAN GOMILLION	AYE

Investigative Reports

Investigator John Phillips and Chief Investigator Rick Stubblefield gave a report on their current case investigations and reported that the following matters had been presented before the Investigative Committee, legal counsel, and reviewing Commissioner and had been recommended for dismissal. A motion was made by Commissioner Gomillion and duly seconded by Commissioner Blackwell to approve the disposition of the following cases as recommended by the Investigative Committee, counsel, and reviewing Commissioner. The motion carried, and votes of Commissioners present were recorded as follows:

JIM STROO	AYE
TONY JONES	AYE
VICKI BLACKWELL	AYE
BRIAN GOMILLION	AYE

<u>CASE NO.</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
2025-39	Dismissed with Letter of Caution
2024-60	Dismissed
2024-66	Dismissed with Letter of Caution
2024-67	Dismissed
2024-70	Dismissed
2025-04	Dismissed
2025-49	Dismissed with Letter of Caution
2025-05	Dismissed
2025-38	Dismissed
2025-54	Dismissed

Errors and Omissions Insurance (E/O) Coverage

Executive Director Bryan Lieb presented the Commission with the signed agreement from Rice Insurance Services Company (RISC) to renew the current (mandatory) E&O coverage, which is issued to active real estate licensees, with a slight increase in the premiums currently being charged. A motion was made by Commissioner Jones and duly seconded by Commissioner Gomillion to extend the E&O coverage as presented. The motion carried, and votes of Commissioners present were recorded as follows:

JIM STROO	AYE
TONY JONES	AYE
VICKI BLACKWELL	AYE
BRIAN GOMILLION	AYE

Proposed Rules and Regulations

Legal Counsel William Hussey presented the Commissioners with copies of the Comments received during the public comment period, which ended March 2, 2026, and requested that the Commissioners review and be prepared to discuss at the next meeting.

Scheduling of the next MREC Commission Meeting

A motion was made by Commissioner Blackwell to schedule the next MREC Commission meeting on May 12, 2026. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gomillion. The motion carried, and votes of Commissioners present were recorded as follows:

JIM STROO	AYE
TONY JONES	AYE
VICKI BLACKWELL	AYE
BRIAN GOMILLION	AYE

Appearance of former licensee Ryan Marchbanks before the Commission

Former licensee Ryan Marchbank appeared before the Commission to request that his salesperson's file be reopened, which was closed for non-renewal. Following Mr. Marchbank's presentation to the Commissioners, Chairman Stroo advised Mr. Marchbanks that the Commission would consider his request and inform him of the decision.

Executive Session

A motion was put forth by Commissioner Gomillion on the question of whether to close the public meeting for a closed determination of the need for Executive Session. The motion carried, and votes of Commissioners present were recorded as follows:

JIM STROO	AYE
TONY JONES	AYE
VICKI BLACKWELL	AYE
BRIAN GOMILLION	AYE

In the closed session, a motion was made by Commissioner Jones and duly seconded by Commissioner Gomillion to enter Executive Session for deliberation on the question of the reopening of the closed license file of Ryan Marchbanks. The motion carried, and votes of Commissioners present were recorded as follows:

JIM STROO	AYE
TONY JONES	AYE
VICKI BLACKWELL	AYE
BRIAN GOMILLION	AYE

The meeting was closed to the public upon announcement that the Commission would enter Executive Session for deliberation on the question of the reopening of the closed license file of Ryan Marchbanks. Following the discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Jones and duly seconded by Commissioner Gomillion to deny the request for reopening the closed salesperson license file for Ryan Marchbanks. The motion carried, and votes of Commissioners present were recorded as follows:

JIM STROO	AYE
TONY JONES	AYE
VICKI BLACKWELL	AYE
BRIAN GOMILLION	AYE

Following the conclusion of the purpose for which the Commission entered Executive Session, a motion was made by Commissioner Jones and duly seconded by Commissioner Blackwell to end the Executive Session and reopen the meeting to the public. The motion carried, and votes of Commissioners present were recorded as follows:

JIM STROO	AYE
TONY JONES	AYE
VICKI BLACKWELL	AYE
BRIAN GOMILLION	AYE

Thereafter, in the reopened public meeting, it was announced that in Executive Session, the Commission had denied the request of Ryan Marchbanks to reopen his salesperson licensing file.


Adjournment

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones and duly seconded by Commissioner Gomillion that there being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried, and votes of Commissioners present were recorded as follows:

JIM STROO	AYE
TONY JONES	AYE
VICKI BLACKWELL	AYE
BRIAN GOMILLION	AYE

MEETING ADJOURNED, 10:15 a.m.

  
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Jim Stroo, Chairman

  
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Tony Jones, Vice-Chair

  
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Bryan Lieb, Executive Director