

THE MINNESOTA BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

BOARD MEMORANDUM

October 20, 2014

TO:

All Board Members

Christopher Kaisershot, Assistant Attorney General

FROM:

Robert P. Saunders, CPA, Board Chair

SUBJECT:

OCTOBER 20, 2014, BOARD MEETING MINUTES

9:15 AM

GOLDEN RULE BUILDING, Suite 295 (2nd floor)

The Board held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting on the above-mentioned date, time and location.

1) CALL TO ORDER

Attendance:

Robert Saunders, CPA, Board Chair Kristine S. Eustice, Public Member Sharon Jensen, CPA (Absent) Thomas Lydon, CPA Kathleen Mooney, CPA Mark Sellner, CPA Gregory Steiner, CPA Scott Van Binsbergen, Public Member Michael M. Vekich, CPA

OTHERS:

Doreen Frost, Executive Director Bev Carey, Investigator Laurie Nistl, Board Staff

GUESTS:

Charlie Peterson, Senior Management Consultant at Minnesota Management & Budget (MMB)
Geno Fragnito, Minnesota Society of Certified Public Accountants
Nick du Julio, Minnesota Association of Public Accountants

2) APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2014 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A) MSP: to approve the September 15, 2014 meeting minutes.

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- 3) COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT (Michael M. Vekich, Committee Chair) The Complaint Committee requests a closed session to deal with disciplinary matters.
 - A) MSP: To close session to address enforcement actions under Minnesota Statutes 214 (2012).
 - B) MSP: To reopen the meeting. The Board issued the following Order:
 - 1. In the Matter of Donald Otto Weber; Certificate No. 04275, the Board issued a Stipulation and Consent Order and Order to Reinstate.
- 4) STRATEGIC PLANNING Facilitated by Charlie Petersen, Senior Management Consultant at Minnesota Management & Budget (MMB). (ATTACH. 4)
 - A) Draft Mission and Values from 9/15/14 meeting Discussed (ATTACH. 4A)
 - B) Board of Accountancy Goals Reviewed and discussed. (ATTACH. 4B)
- 5) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT (Robert P. Saunders, Board Chair)
 - A) September 15, 2014 Executive Committee meeting discussed.
 - B) September 30, 2014 Executive Committee meeting: Met with the MNCPA and MAPA to discuss MN Rule 1105.4000. Discussion to be continued.
- 6) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Doreen Frost, Executive Director)
 - A) Budget and Revenue Reports Discussed.
 - B) Biennial Report previously sent Discussed.
 - C) Will be interviewing this week for the vacant full-time staff position. The position is with the Board of AELSLAGID and part-time by interagency agreement with the Board of Accountancy.
- 7) EXAMINATION & CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT (Kathleen K. Mooney, Committee Chair)
 - A) Approved the applications of 80 Minnesota candidates, three transfer candidates, and four reciprocal candidates.

MP: To Approve and Adopt Committee recommendations.

- 8) CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT (Kristine S. Eustice, Committee Chair)
 - A) Denied one petition for waiver from Board of Accountancy Rules.
 - B) Discussion to include Nano-Learning Programs in the next Rule package.

 MP: To included Nano-Learning Programs in the next Rule package.
 - C) MSP: To Approve and Adopt Committee recommendations.
- 9) LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE REPORT (Michael M. Vekich, Committee Chair)
 - A) Attest Definition, Firm Mobility and Decoupling of CPE Compliance and Firm Permit Renewal Discussed.
 - B) Firm Permit Rule 1105.4000 discussed and to be included in the next Rule package.

MSP: To address Rule 1105.4000 in the next Rule package.

C) MSP: To Approve and Adopt the Committee report and recommendations.

10) FIRM CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE REPORT

(Kristine Eustice reported)

- A) Approved three firm permits and one firm name change.
- B) Approved 19 quality review reports with a pass rating.
- C) Two quality review reports with other ratings were accepted; two were referred to staff.
- D) Approved six previously monitored peer review reports.
- E) Peer review extensions for two firms were referred to staff.
- F) MSP: To Approve and Adopt Committee recommendations.

QUALITY REVIEW OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORT (Rob Saunders reported)

- A) The committee has openings for three or four members.
- B) Qualifications of QROC members discussed to be included on the next Legislative and Rules Committee agenda for possible inclusion in the next Rule package.
- C) MSP: To Approve and Adopt the Committee report.

12) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A) PTIN Directory – discussed.

13) NEW BUSINESS

- A) New Licenses Report MSP: To Approve and Adopt the report.
- B) AICPA Workshop Report: UAA Attest definition and Firm Mobility Carried over to the next meeting.
- C) Election process for December 5, 2014 Board meeting Discussed.
- D) Committee Interest Forms Discussed. Members should complete and submit the forms to the Executive Director.
- E) Four Board members' terms expire in 2015. If interested in serving another term, please let the Executive Director know.

14) PUBLIC COMMENT

A) None.

15) ADJOURNED: 11:00 a.m. Next meeting is Friday, December 5, 2014.