# **BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY**

# **BOARD MEMORANDUM**

June 16, 2020

**TO:** All Board Members

Christopher Kaisershot, Assistant Attorney General

**FROM:** Sharon Jensen, CPA, Board Chair

SUBJECT: JUNE 16, 2020 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Conducted remotely via Webex

8:30 AM

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

## 1) CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL:

Sharon Jensen, CPA, Board Chair Charles Selcer, CPA Chas McElroy, CPA (Absent) Greg Steiner, CPA Christopher Omdahl, CPA Lance Radziej, CPA Godson Sowah, CPA Scott Van Binsbergen, Public Member Alan Wilensky, Public Member

## **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Doreen Johnson, Executive Director Kay Weiss, Assistant Executive Director Holly Salmela, State Program Administrator Jamie Eschbach, Investigator J'Nell Nordin, OAS-I

#### **GUESTS:**

Geno Fragnito, Minnesota Society of Certified Public Accountants (MNCPA) Linda Wedul, Minnesota Society of Certified Public Accountants (MNCPA) Troy Olsen, Minnesota Association of Public Accountants (MAPA) Al Thomas, Member of the public

- 2) Welcome Jamie Eschbach, Investigator for the Board of Accountancy.
- 3) Under Open Meeting Law 13D.02 and due to COVID-19, it was not practical or prudent for all Board members to be physically present at the meeting discussed.
- 4) APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 30, 2020 BOARD MEETING MINUTES MSP: To approve the April 30, 2020 meeting minutes.
- 5) COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT (Greg Steiner, CPA, Committee Chair)
  The Complaint Committee requests a closed session to discuss disciplinary matters and petition for waiver requests which include private data.
  - A) MSP: To close session to address enforcement actions under Minnesota Statutes 214 (2018).
  - B) MSP: To reopen the meeting. The Board issued the following Orders:
    - 1) In the matter of Casey Jon Sallander, the Board issued a Stipulation and Consent Order and an Order to Reinstate.
    - 2) In the matter of Lauren Elizabeth Napheys, the Board issued a Stipulation and Consent Order and an Order to Reinstate.
    - 3) In the matter of Boyer and Company, the Board issued a Stipulation and Consent Order.
    - 4) In the matter of Diane Lynn Cole, the Board issued a Stipulation and Consent Order.
    - 5) In the matter of Brown Accounting, the Board issued a Settlement and a Cease and Desist Order.
- 6) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT (Sharon Jensen, CPA, Board Chair)
  - A) Report on March 11, 2020 meeting discussed.

MP: To accept the report.

- 7) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Doreen Johnson, Executive Director)
  - A) Budget and Revenue reports discussed.
  - B) Open appointments discussed.

MP: To accept the report.

- 8) EXAMINATION & CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT (Godson Sowah, CPA, Committee Chair)
  - A) No meeting held.
- 9) FIRM CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE REPORT (Scott Van Binsbergen, Committee Chair)
  - A) No meeting held.

# 10) UNFINISHED BUSINESS None.

# 11) NEW BUSINESS

- A) Requests for Exception:
  - 1) Applicant A: request for an exam score extension. MSP: To approve
  - 2) Applicant B: request for an exam score extension. MSP: To deny
  - 3) Applicant C: request for an exam score extension. MSP: To deny
  - 4) Applicant D: request for an exam score extension. MSP: To approve
  - 5) Applicant E: request for an exam score extension. MSP: To approve
- B) Peer Review
  - 1) 00669 Schechter Dokken Kanter Andrews & Selcer Ltd Charles Selcer recused himself from the decision regarding Schechter Dokken Kanter

Andrews & Selcer. MSP: To approve
2) 00901 Gregory B Arnott PA MSP: To approve

3) 01062 Michael G Kissell, Ltd MSP: To approve

4) 01286 Doeren Mayhew MSP: To approve

5) 01616 Susan K Patten CPA Ltd MSP: To approve

6) 06978 Harold J Rotunda CPA MSP: To approve

7) F2021 Klimek & Kasella Ltd MSP: To approve

8) F2046 Mark T. Lutz, LLC MSP: To approve

9) F2070 Henjes, Conner & William, P.C. MSP: To approve

10) F2318 Gardiner + Company, P.C. MSP: To approve

11) F2379 Squar Milner LLP MSP: To approve

12) 01086 Foreman & Airhart, Ltd. MSP: To approve 13) 01110 Thomas W. Stotesbery, Ltd MSP: To approve

14) 01201 Sands, Lee and Anderson, Ltd. MSP: To approve

15) 01246 Bertolas & Pekula LLC MSP: To approve

16) 01524 Landwehr Financial Solutions, LLC MSP: To approve

17) F1715 John Stepowoy Jr., Accountant LLC MSP: To approve

18) F1901 Wiltrout Accounting, LLC MSP: To approve

19) F2054 BWK Rogers PC MSP: To deny – referred to staff

20) F2118 J. Maiers CPA LLC MSP: To approve

- C) Peer Review cycle change
  - 1) F1751 Reilly, Penner & Benton LLP

MSP: To approve

- D) Peer Review extension request
  - 1) F2101 JPJ CPA, LLP

MSP: To deny

- E) Applications for Minnesota firm permit
  - 1) Jay Elstad CPA LLC

MSP: To approve

2) Olufemi B Ijadimbola CPA Ltd

MSP: To approve

- F) Application for a foreign firm permit
  - 1) Moore Colson & Company, P.C.

MSP: To approve

- G) Firm name change request
  - 1) Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP

MSP: To deny, request additional information.

- H) Extension of Peer Review deadline in response to COVID-19 discussed.
- Proposed revisions to Uniform Accountancy Act model rules released by NASBA – discussed.
- J) New domain name ".CPA" discussed.
- K) PEEC Exposure on staff augmentation discussed.
- L) Statewide Indirect Cost (SWIDC) & Statewide Special Systems Billing (SWSSB) detail statement for FY2021 discussed.
- M) New Licenses Report.

MSP: To approve new licenses report.

- N) Health Screening, Entry to Board office/meeting space discussed.
- 12) PUBLIC COMMENT (None)
- 13) ADJOURNED: 11:30 a.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

# **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

June 16, 2020

**TO:** Sharon Jensen, CPA, Board Chair

Charles Selcer, CPA, Vice Chair

Charles McElroy, CPA, Secretary/Treasurer (Absent)

**FROM:** Sharon Jensen, CPA, Board Chair

SUBJECT: JUNE 16, 2020 COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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

# Others Attending:

Doreen Johnson, Executive Director
Kay Weiss, Assistant Executive Director
J'Nell Nordin, OAS-I
Geno Fragnito, Minnesota Society of Certified Public Accountants (MNCPA)

- 1) APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 11, 2020 COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES. **MSP: To approve.**
- 2) UNFINISHED BUSINESS
  - A) Internal Controls: Annual report due July 31, 2020. discussed.
- 3) NEW BUSINESS
  - A) PEEC Exposure of staff augmentation discussed.
  - B) Staffing update: Laurie Nistl retired discussed.
- 4) Adjourn