



Board of Accountancy Public Meeting Minutes

Accountancy Board
Oct 17, 2023 at 9:00 AM EDT
@ 7 Eagle Square, Concord NH

Attendance: Richard Silverman, Chair, Debra Grott, Vice Chair, Charles Powell, Esq., Board Member, Jonathan Blais, Board Member, Edward David, Board Member

Staff: Michael Gianunzio, Board Administrator, Shane Goulet Esq, Board Counsel

Absent: Jennier Elder, Board Member

- I. Call to Order – 9:02 AM
- II. Approval of Public Minutes of the September 18, 2023 meeting

Motion: Upon a Motion by RS with a second by ED, the Board voted to accept the meeting minutes as amended; unanimous.

III. New Business –

A. CPE Waiver Requests:

Tracking waiver requests? The Board wants to know if someone is requesting waivers multiple times.

1. Luiz Murilo Strube Lima: Presenter - Deb

Renewal date of 6/30/23, realized he did not meet the 20 hour required minimum. He was licensed back in 2007. He has since met the 20 hours.

Motion: Upon a Motion by DG with a second by ED, the Board voted to approve the waiver; unanimous.

2. Manuel Colmenares - Presenter: Ed

Motion: Upon a Motion by ED with a second by CP, the Board voted to grant the waiver; unanimous.

3. Mary Sun Marcelino - Presenter: Deb

Motion: Upon a Motion by DG with a second by JB, the Board voted to grant the waiver; unanimous.

4. Xuan Qin - Presenter: Rich

Motion: Upon a Motion by RS with a second by CP, the Board voted to grant the waiver; unanimous.

B. Exam Extension Requests.

1. Karim Wahdan - Presenter: John

Motion: Upon a Motion by JB with a second by RS, the Board voted to extend BEC to 1/1/24 and not extend the audit; unanimous

2. Meenakshi Narshibhai Balla - Presenter: Ed

Motion: Upon a Motion by ED with a second by DG, the Board voted to extend the FAR credits to 1/1/24; unanimous.

3. Nour Fataftah - Presenter: Rich

Motion: Upon a Motion by RS with a second by JB, the Board voted to extend FAR to 1/1/24; unanimous.

4. Marshiene Juman - Presenter: Ed

Motion: Upon a Motion by RS with a second by ED, the Board voted to take no action on his request and inform him that for an extension to sit he would need to contact NASBA; unanimous.

5. Hussam Ahmad Abu Gharbieh - Presenter: Deb

Motion: Upon a Motion by DG with a second by ED, the Board voted to grant the extension until 1/1/24; unanimous.

6. Nour Sayed Mohamed Abul Makarem - Presenter: Deb

Motion: Upon a Motion by DG with a second by ED, the Board voted to grant the request for extension of AUD to 1/1/24; unanimous.

C. Audit Letter- For Discussion

Checking for CPE compliance he found this letter in the file.

The sample letter has no date and no licensee name.

Moving forward when they are sent out they should include these things for audit.

IV. OPLC/Board Administration Updates

- A. 2024 Meeting Dates: updated February from Tuesday 2/6/24 to Monday 2/5/24.

2/5/2024

4/23/2024

6/3/2024

8/5/2024

10/7/2024

12/2/2024

- B. Peer Review Report and Acceptance Letter - Informational

V. Administrative Rules & Legislative Topics: Shane Presenter

Motion: Upon a Motion by RS with a second by CP, the Board voted to authorize Jon to reach out to his Senate Contact and share the letter; unanimous.

- A. 337

1. This was coming back for override or veto vote on 10/26.
2. Opposed because it requires 14 days notice for a meeting and 7 days notice for documents.
3. Drafted a letter to the legislature laying out the generic concerns

VI. Update on rule changes – Tina

Moving forward send rules to the Board prior to the meeting so they can review and make edits.

Regarding the 300's, we will also make sure Charles has the previous version and new version that Tina is working on

- A. Public Rules Review of 100's only - Hearing Pushed to December 4, 2023

- B. 400's - Initial Proposal

Can we use a compare application to see what changes were made?

If someone is inactive and wants to re-apply, it does not matter how long they have been inactive, they need 80 CEU hours within the last 2 years.

The goal will be to get these for review before Thanksgiving.

- C. 504.01 / 502.02 - Initial Proposal

Motion: Upon a Motion by ED with a second by JB, the Board voted to accept the initial proposal; unanimous.

VII. Committee Reports

A. Rich Silverman – Newsletter

Motion: Upon a Motion by RS with a second by ED, the Board voted to approve the newsletter; unanimous.

A. Charles Powell – Legislation

B. John Blais - Rules

II. Licensure – Applications approved by NASBA since May 18, 2023 – None available for review currently.

III. Non-Public Session

Motion: Upon a Motion by RS with a second by JB, the Board voted to initiate non public session; unanimous roll call vote.

Non-public session, conducted for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c) & (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, *Lodge v. Knowlton*, (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

IV. Resume Public Session

Motion: Upon a Motion by RS with a second by ED, the Board voted to resume non-public session and seal the minutes; unanimous roll call vote.

V. Seal the Minutes of the Non-Public Session

Minutes of the non-public session are sealed to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective.

Motion: Upon a motion by RS with a second by ED, the board voted to seal the minutes of the non public session. Unanimous.

VI. Next Meeting – Monday, December 4, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

A. Elections for next year

1. Chair

2. Vice Chair

3. Secretary

- B. New Board Member should be starting next meeting.

VII. Other Business:

- A. Discussion topic, JB stated that he is currently serving on the Executive committee of the Board of directors of the new hampshire society of cpas, if a conflict arose he would recuse himself from said conflict.

- B. We are still looking to fill Jennifer's position on the Board. The Chair is asking for the Board's help in filling the position.

1. Request Donna Long send an email blast to CPA's as the Board currently has a CPA vacancy that needs to be filled.

VIII. Adjournment: Chair Adjourned at 11:32 am