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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY
DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room B , second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:	January 18, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kathryn Schultz, Professional Member, President
Sarah Patterson, Professional Member
Araya Debessay, Educational Member
Susan Benson, Professional Member
Prameela Kaza, Public Member
Karen Smith, Professional Member
John McManus, Professional Member

ABSENT

Richard Snyder, Public Member
Alison Houck, Professional Member, Secretary

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General
LaTonya Brown, Administrative Specialist II
Sherry Clark, Credentialing Services

ALSO PRESENT

Dana Rubenstein, DSCPA
Jason Jones, PA

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Schultz called the meeting to order at 10:33 am.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Ms. Kaza, to approve the amended minutes dated October 19, 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Re-Review of Applications

A motion was made by Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. Debessay, to approve the CPA Permit application of Shankar Anakavour. The motion carried unanimously.

Re-Review of Delaware Specific Ethics Course Beacon Hill Financial Educators, Inc. - David Freed

A motion was made by Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. Debessay, to table Beacon Hill Financial Educators, Inc. (David Freed) ethics course. The course did not reference Delaware's new code. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of CPA Permit- Reciprocity Applications

A motion was made by Ms. Patterson, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the application of David Moskowitz. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Patterson, seconded by Mr. McManus, to approve the application of Lisa Maniscalco. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of CPA Permit Applications

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Ms. Kaza, to approve the application of Rachel Hutson. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Ms. Kaza, to approve the application of Oana Turton. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Ms. Kaza, to approve the application of Richard Rajkumar. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Ms. Kaza, to approve the application of Douglas Troskey. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Statement on Standards for CPE Programs-

The board will continue to review and discuss.

Correspondence

Inquiry from Harley Smith

Mr. Smith sent a letter inquiring if Delaware allows advanced accounting courses to be taken at community colleges and counted to sit for the CPA exam. The board advised that as long as the course is a credited course from an accredited college it is allowed.

Inquiry from McKenzie Thorpe

Mr. Thorpe sent a letter inquiring if Delaware accepts CLEP exams to make up deficient education credits and if the board accepts charted accountant coursework towards the education requirement for the exam/license requirements. The board advised Mr. Thorpe to contact NASBA and if NASBA accepts it than the DE board does.

Inquiry from Stephen Bowley

Ms. Bowley sent a letter inquiring if there are any other options in regards to the supervisor sign off on her experience. The board responded that she has to provide 1 year of experience under a licensed CPA and that there are no other options.

NASBA- Utilizing Candidate Date for 2016-17 Candidate Pipeline Survey

NASBA sent a letter to the board granting permission to access candidate data from the National Candidate Database (NCD) in support of the 2016-2017 CPA Examination Pipeline Survey.

A motion was made by Mr. McManus, seconded by Ms. Kaza, to allow permission to NASBA to access candidate data from the NCD. The motion carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Update Applications

The Board advised Ms. Brown that the combined application needed to be removed. Ms. Rubenstein will work with the Division to help update applications and any website changes that need to be made.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jason Jones inquired if this was the last meeting that PA permits will be considered. The board advised him that PA permits will be accepted until December 31, 2016. Mr. Jones inquired about the interpretation of section 115(B) of the statute. The board does not have the authority to issue advisory opinions. The board advised him to seek the legal opinion of private counsel as to applicability of the language of the statute and regulations to your situation.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held January 18, 2017 at 9:00 am in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Smith seconded by Ms. Patterson to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



LaTonya Brown
Administrative Specialist II