

Vermont Secretary of State
Office of Professional Regulation
BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY
MINUTES

Meeting of Tuesday, September 22, 2009

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M.

Members present: Pamela J. Douglass, CPA, Chairperson; Lee M. Spivey, CPA, Vice-Chair; John C. Borch, CPA; Claire LaVoie, CPA and Cairn Cross

OPR Staff present: Carla Preston, Unit Administrator and Patty Skinner Administrative Assistant

2. The Chair called for approval of the Minutes of the August 25th meeting.
3. Hearings and/or Stipulation and Consent Orders for consideration
4. Legislation/Rulemaking
5. Reports
6. Applications

Mr. Spivey made a motion, seconded by Ms. LaVoie, to approve the following applicants for licensure or reinstatement based on their completed applications. The question was called and the motion passed unanimously.

Richard A. Paul, Jr., CPA, P.C. – Firm
David A. White – Reinstatement
John M. Sanborn – Reinstatement
Dominic Aloia – Examination
Kathryn Lynch – Examination
Kayda Abbott – Examination
Roger Schoenbeck – Endorsement

David P. Pietrafesa – Endorsement
Gregori Somoff – Endorsement
Elisia Laramée – Examination
Robert Roberts – Examination
Lee Ann Start – Examination
Christopher Trombetta – Endorsement

The Board reviewed the application listed below but was unable to approve it as submitted. Applicant(s) will be notified of the Board's findings.

Lixia Li – Score Transfer- Based on the information provided, the Board requested that Ms. Li's experience be updated by Gallagher Flynn using the new Report of Experience Forms.

Aparna Chikoti – Examination – Based on the information provided, the Board would like to see clarification of foreign transcripts.

Karuna Mandari – Examination - Based on the information provided, the Board requested that the new Report of Experience Form and a letter explaining the changes in the Rules be sent to this candidate.

7. Correspondence from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) and the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA)
8. Miscellaneous Correspondence
 - a. The Board reviewed other various correspondences which required no action.
9. Public Comment
10. Other business
 - A. Disciplinary Cases – There are currently seven pending cases.
 - B. ALD Progress
Ms. Preston agreed to again contact Kenneth Denny at NASBA regarding what they needed from Vermont to update this database. Chairperson Douglass will also follow-up with NASBA on this topic.
 - C. Mobility Transition

Ms. Preston, Unit Administrator will follow up with New Hampshire regarding using their information on our website.
 - D. Newsletter Topics and Assignments – Ms. Douglass and Mr. Spivey have chosen their topics for the newsletter.
 - E. Peer Review comparisons 2009 vs 2007 vs. 2005 (adverse or modified peer review)
Ms. Skinner will be starting a database compiling all of the information
 - F. Update Forms – Many of the Board's application forms need to be updated due to the recent statutory and rule changes. Ms. Preston is working on all of the form changes.
 - G. The annual meeting was discussed
 - H. Election of officers were as follows: Mr. Spivey, Chairperson; Mr. Borch, Vice Chair and Cairn Cross, Secretary
11. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:03 p.m.
12. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for October 27, 2009