

Vermont Secretary of State
Office of Professional Regulation
BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY
MINUTES
JANUARY 26, 2010

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

Members present: Lee M. Spivey, Chairperson; John C. Borch, Vice Chair; Cairn Cross, Secretary; Claire LaVoie, CPA and Joshua Partlow, CPA

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

2. The Chair called for approval of the Minutes of the December 22nd meeting. Ms. LaVoie made a motion, seconded by Mr. Borch, to approve the minutes as read. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Hearings and/or Stipulation and Consent Orders for consideration
4. Legislation/Rulemaking
5. Reports
6. Applications

Mr. Cross made a motion, seconded by Mr. Borch, to approve the following applicants for licensure or reinstatement based on their completed applications. The motion passed unanimously.

Lisa Hughes – Reinstatement
Jennifer Shein – Reinstatement
Susan Dana – Reinstatement
Patricia Senzel – Reinstatement
Jamie Cote – Endorsement

Kevin F. Barrett – Reinstatement
Caitlin Kelly – Examination
Charlene McFarren – Examination
Tammy Michaud – Reinstatement

The Board reviewed the applications listed below, but was not able to approve them as submitted. Applicant(s) will be notified of the Board's findings.

Carl Haasper – Score Transfer – Based on the information provided, the Board was unable to approve Mr. Haasper's application because the supervisor was not an approved supervisor.

Ernst & Young – The Board made a motion to approve pending receipt of their bylaws.

Vermont Professional Tax & Financial Services, LLC. – The Board made a motion to approve pending receipt of their operating agreement.

7. Correspondence from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) and the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA)

a. Reviewed correspondence

8. Correspondence

a. The Board reviewed a letter from Sherri Dennis requesting the opportunity to retake the Simulation Section of the Regulation Exam. The Board left it up to Ms. Skinner to check with NASBA and see what type of accommodations could be made for Ms. Dennis. Mr. Barrier is working with NASBA's ADA coordinator to assist Ms. Dennis for future examinations, there is nothing that they can do regarding the Simulation Section of the Regulation Exam, as they were not notified prior to the examination.

b. The Board noted the email from Nicole Morris (Champlain College) regarding what the grandfather period would look like in 2014. The Board discussed this briefly, but will further the discussion at their next meeting.

c. The Board reviewed the email from Friedman LLP requesting a waiver to perform an audit of a company located in Vermont. The Board denied the request.

9. Public Comment

10. Other business

11. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:17 p.m.

12. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for April 27, 2010