



Board of Accountancy

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Approved Minutes

Tuesday, December 22, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Via Go-to Meeting

Board Members Present via Go-to Meeting: Robert Sinkewicz, CPA, Chair; Jeff Langmaid, CPA, Vice-Chair; Danny Coane, Public Member, Secretary; Rebecca James, CPA, and Kaj Samsom, CPA

Administrative Personnel via Go-to Meeting: Aprille Morrison, Licensing Administrator III, and Gabriel Gilman, General Counsel.

Guests: Matt Pentz

1. Call to Order: Mr. Sinkewicz called the meeting to order at 9:04 am.

2. Approval of minutes from the November 24, 2020 meeting:

Mr. Coane moved to approve the November 24, 2020 minutes as presented. Mr. Samsom seconded. Mr. Langmaid abstained because he was not present for the November meeting. Motion passed with unanimous approval of voting members.

3. Discipline: None

4. Administrative Updates:

Ms. Morrison provided members with current 2021 meeting dates

5. File Review:

Banks, Finley, White & Co.

Boyum Barends LLP

Ms. James made a motion to approve the above applicants for Vermont licensure and to issue deficiency notices to Jesse Mode, Michelle Laframboise, and Matt Pentz. Mr. Langmaid seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Morrison will issue deficiency explanations to Jesse Mode, Michelle Laframboise and Matt Pentz requesting additional documentation of supervised experience and other matters noted by the Board.

6. Other Business

- a.** Mr. Sinkewicz requested the Board discuss allowing accountants who attend the National and Regional NASBA meetings to claim CPE credit for attendance, and if credit is allowable, what documentary requirements would apply. Mr. Gilman observed that Rule 9.2(c) offers considerable flexibility to recognize participation in formal or structured learning activities consistent with the relevance requirement in subsection (a). Structured sections of NASBA meetings likely qualify if designed to impart information on a particular topic to attendees. NASBA generally provides attendance certificates, and these should be retained in case of a CE audit.
- b.** Mr. Coane moved to keep the current slate of officers. Mr. Samsom seconded the motion. Motion passed. Chair remains Robert Sinkewicz, Vice Chair remains Jeff Langmaid and Secretary remains Danny Coane.
- c.** Ms. Morrison informed members present that the budget reports are delayed due to staffing changes in the business office. Director Hibbert will present the budget to members as soon as it is available.

7. Public Comment: None

8. Adjournment

There being no additional business Mr. Samsom made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 am. Mr. Coane seconded the motion. Motion passed

Next Scheduled Meeting – Tuesday, January 26, 2021
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