

Vermont Secretary of State
Office of Professional Regulation
BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY
UNAPPROVED MINUTES
Meeting of May 28, 2008

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM.

Members present: Pamela J. Douglass, CPA, Chairperson; Claire LaVoie, CPA; John C. Borch, CPA.; and Cairn Cross, Public member. Absent: Lee Spivey, Vice chair

OPR Staff present: Patty Skinner, Unit Administrator and Kevin Leahy, Board Council

2. The Chair called for approval of the Minutes of the April 28th meeting.
A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as read.

3. Hearings and/or Stipulation and Consent Orders for consideration

- a. Hearing in the matter of William A. Burnett & William A. Burnett, CPA (AC08-1107 & AC09-1107). Kevin Leahy, Esq. presided for the Board. Ms. Douglass made a motion, seconded by Ms. LaVoie, to adopt the order as read. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Reports / Discussions

5. Applications

Mr. Cross made a motion, seconded by Mr. Borch, to approve the following applications for licensure. The motion passed unanimously.

Carolyn Ridpath – Reinstatement	Jean Verrier – Reinstatement
Maureen Cross – Reinstatement	Jesse Rocheleau – Examination
Richard Barnes II – Endorsement	Smitha Venugopal – Examination
Heidi R. Brown – Examination	Kathleen Kretowicz – Endorsement
Jennifer Shein – Examination	John R. Cooper – Endorsement
James M. Puls & Assoc., PLC - Firm	Mark Rexroat – Endorsement
Stephanie Weis – Endorsement	Brian MacArthur – Endorsement
Robert Rollmann – Endorsement	O’Connor Davies Munns & Dobbins, LLP – Firm
Simione Macca & Larrow, LLP – Firm	John H. Fitzgibbon – Endorsement

The Board reviewed the applications listed below but was unable to approve them as submitted. Applicants will be notified of the Board’s findings.

Julianne Gillespie – Endorsement – The Board approved Ms. Gillespie for licensure pending verification from Texas

Troy Didomenico – IQEX – The Board would like to see verification of Mr. Didomenico having passed an ethics exam.

6. Correspondence (American Institute of Certified Public Accountants; National Association of State Boards of Accountancy)

The Board reviewed and noted various correspondence from the sources mentioned above.

7. Miscellaneous Correspondence

- a. The Board reviewed the letter from Frayda R. Diskind requesting that she be considered for licensure under the old laws and rules. It was the consensus of the Board that Ms. Diskind could either obtain the additional 60 credits required, or she would have to have four years of experience to become licensed in Vermont.
- b. The Board reviewed the letter from John Twardy requesting that the Board consider extending his scores for an additional year. It was the consensus of the Board that Mr. Twardy has had ample time to complete his experience, and an extension would not be granted unless Mr. Twardy could show extenuating circumstances that made it impossible for him to complete his experience within the time frame allowed.
- c. The Board reviewed the letter from Michael Satz, requesting an extension for the Regulations section of the examination, which expired on 4/30/08. Due to the extenuating circumstance that Mr. Satz stated in his letter, the Board agreed to allow Mr. Satz to have an extension through the August window to pass the Regulations portion of his examination.

8. Public Comment

9. Other business

- a. Mr. Borch gave a brief overview of the meeting he attended regarding the CPA Examination.
- b. The Board discuss webcasts and webinars, and have come to the decision that they will not count these as live courses.

10. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for June 24, 2008.

11. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.