

THE MINNESOTA BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

BOARD MEMORANDUM

January 19, 2017

TO: All Board Members Christopher Kaisershot, Assistant Attorney General

FROM: Gregory S. Steiner, CPA, Board Chair

SUBJECT: January 19, 2017, BOARD MEETING MINUTES 9:40 AM GOLDEN RULE BUILDING, Suite 295 (2nd floor)

The Board held its regularly scheduled meeting on the above-mentioned date, time and location.

 CALL TO ORDER Attendance: Gregory S. Steiner, CPA, Board Chair Sharon A. Jensen, CPA Christopher Omdahl, CPA Lance Radziej, CPA Charles Selcer, CPA Debra Thompson, CPA - Absent Scott Van Binsbergen, Public Member Michael M. Vekich, CPA Alan J. Wilensky, Public Member - Absent

OTHERS:

Doreen Frost, Executive Director Andrea Barker, Rules Coordinator Sara Datko, Complaint Specialist Emma Hoche-Mathews, Complaint Specialist Kay Weiss, Communications Specialist

GUESTS:

Linda Wedul, Minnesota Society of Certified Public Accountants (MNCPA) Geno Fragnito, Minnesota Society of Certified Public Accountants (MNCPA) Bryan Mowry, Minnesota Association of Public Accountants (MAPA)

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APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 8, 2016, BOARD MEETING MINUTES
A) MSP: To Approve the December 8, 2016, meeting minutes.

- COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT (Michael M. Vekich, Committee Chair) The Complaint Committee requests a closed session to deal with disciplinary matters.
 - A) MSP: To Close session to address enforcement actions under Minnesota Statutes 214 (2016).
 - B) MSP: To Reopen the meeting. The Board issued the following Orders:
 - 1) In the Matter of Keddington & Christensen, LLC, the Board issued a Stipulation and Consent Order.
 - 2) In the Matter of Patrick D. Heyn, CPA, PA, the Board issued a Stipulation and Consent Order.
 - 3) In the Matter of Louis Joseph Re Jr., the Board issued a Stipulation and Consent Order and Order to Reinstate.
 - 4) Automatic Revocations. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 326A.04, subdivision 11 (2016), the CPA certificates of persons who have failed to renew their certificates for a period of more than two years shall be automatically revoked. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondents' CPA certificates in the State of Minnesota are automatically REVOKED effective January 19, 2017.

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27105 Farhana Naushad Kassamali 12921 Marilyn Jean Kaufenberg 21814 John Patrick Kaufman 24405 Michael John Kaupa 11034 Matthew James Kearney 12923 Michael Scott Keefe 25064 WilliamJ Keller 13347 Kathryn Mary Kemp 25970 Ryan Thompson Kennedy 26054 Elizabeth Ann Kennedy 17941 Pomy Ketema 24522 Michael Kelly Killeen 09768 Dale Allan King 09769 Gregory Frederick Kirchhoff 06512 Donald Lee Kleven 16730 Kirk Steven Klopfenstein 05765 Edward Allen Klun 08697 Barbara Ann Klussendorf 13353 Richard John Knapczyk 16368 Phyllis Aline Knight 17626 Edric Raymond Knight 27697 Paul Joseph Knoblauch 15527 Brian Wayne Koch 08716 Judith Sue Kongevick 15778 Jennifer Ann Koopman 25633 Jena Sue Kothbauer 26940 Zachary Tyler Kowaleski 08401 Susan Carol Kraft

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19860 Jason Michael Kramber 08413 Connie Lynn Larsen 25799 Rachel Therese Krautkramer 05027 Mark E Larson 24308 David Michael Krautkremer 05780 John Rodney Larson 25553 Kevin James Kreisel 06887 Michael J Larson 11575 Jerry Scott Krempa 09101 Lucy L Larson 19332 Kevin Sean Krumm 12541 Karen Kay Larson 26469 Meredith Laura Kruse 26819 Karl Stephen Larson 22977 Kristina Michelle Kubat 27465 Alex Reed Larson 12953 John Leslie Lawson 27698 Frank Charles Kubista 26817 Jael Delia Kuczmarski 12955 Darren Lee Lefebvre 07880 John Aldrich Kufus 19859 Chad Edward Leiker 11400 Lawrence Thomas Kunkel 08418 Lee Michael Leksell 09099 Jeannine Louise Kurtz 04687 Thomas G Lemm 13364 Richard John Lacher 16161 Kevin Henry Lentsch 25903 Jenny Marie Lacina 16553 Bryan Roger Lervick 12947 Jeffrey Peter Lafontaine 20765 Jennifer Ann Liberty 27114 Benjamin Christopher Lindholm 14150 Sherry Lamb 24082 Timothy Steven Lambrecht 02884 Harold J Linn 20313 Brian Christopher Lamka 20183 Patrick Allan Locken 26647 Markus T Lang 03156 David W Locy 12167 WilliamRonald Langton 12656 Jean Marie Lodermeier 03998 Randall C Lapic 19843 Marguerite Marie Lontz 19847 Diane Doris Lapp 19169 Thomas Francis Loreno 13142 Ruthanne LaQua

MP: To Approve and Adopt committee recommendations.

- 4) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT (Gregory S. Steiner, Board Chair)
 - A) At the December 8 meeting, the Executive Committee discussed Internal Controls and made committee assignments.
 - B) The Executive Committee will meet following the Board meeting.

5) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Doreen Frost, Executive Director)

- A) Budget and Revenue Reports Discussed. The Executive Director is waiting to hear when she is to report to state legislative committees. Chair Greg Steiner will also attend.
- B) CPA Renewal Report and Final Notice. Renewals are now at 91%. Thanks to the societies for also sending notices. Thanks as well to the Board staff for their efforts throughout the renewal period.
- C) Firm Owner Renewals
 - i. Discussed impact of recent rule change that requires that firm permits be revoked if 100% of member/owner/etc. individual licensees at a firm are not renewed by March 1. The Executive Director is recommending database changes to make it easier to identify affected firms. Outreach to this subgroup of firms is planned prior to the March 1, 2017, deadline.
 - ii. Board staff sent a letter January 13 to firms that had not renewed (92 CPA firms, 106 SP firms, and 3 RAP firms).

- 6) EXAMINATION & CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT (Charles Selcer, Committee Chair)
 - A) Approved the applications of 73 Minnesota candidates, 6 transfer candidates, and 15 reciprocal candidates.

MP: To Approve and Adopt Committee recommendations.

- 7) CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT (Lance Radziej, Committee Chair)
 - A) Approved 17 petitions for waiver and denied 26.
 - B) Denied 1 CPE request.

MP: To Approve and Adopt Committee recommendations.

8) FIRM CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE REPORT (Christopher Omdahl, Committee Chair)

- A) Approved 4 Minnesota CPA firm permits.
- B) Approved 3 foreign CPA firm permits.
- C) Approved 3 name change requests.
- D) Accepted 61 peer reviews; referred 3 to staff.
- E) One peer review extension request was granted.
- F) One peer review cycle change was granted.
- G) MNCPA 2016 peer review list; referred 1 item back to staff.

MP: To Approve and Adopt Committee recommendations.

9) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A) Revisor's Draft of Rules. Andrea Barker went through the changes recommended by the Revisor's Office. Board members should carefully review this document and a draft of the SONAR that she will send to them shortly. Board members should provide corrections/comments to Ms. Barker *prior* to the March 2 Board meeting so that both documents may be formally presented and accepted by the Board at that meeting. These measures will assure that the rule package remains on schedule.

10) NEW BUSINESS

- A) AICPA Proposed Evolution of Peer Review Administration Discussed.
- B) New Licensees Report.

MSP: To approve New Licenses Report.

11) PUBLIC COMMENT

A) Geno Fragnito (MNCPA) noted the society is following tax- and healthcarerelated bills before the legislature.

12) ADJOURNED: 10:15 a.m.

Next meeting is Thursday, March 2, 2017, at 9:00 am.

Michael M. Vekich, Secretary/Treasurer