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Public Meeting Minutes

June 11, 2021

Board Members Present:

Angela Parziale, CPA, MST, *Chair* Randall S. Davis, CPA, *Secretary* Richard H. Grueter, CPA, *Member*

Staff Members Present:

Danielle O'Neil Executive Director Lynn Read, Board Counsel

Board Members Absent:

Emerald Wong, Public Member

Pursuant to Governor Charles D. Baker's Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, s. 20, dated March 12, 2020, all board members and staff appeared by videoconference.

<u>Call to Order</u>: The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Ms. Parziale.

Board Business

• After a brief discussion a MOTION was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Grueter to adopt the Attorney General's requirements for remote participation in board meetings. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Discussion

• Policy Regarding Practice by Individuals Licensed in Other States: After a brief discussion it was determined to TABLE a discussion of the draft policy and firm mobility in order to review new documents and not post such a policy until reviewed further.

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CPA Examination Credit Extension Requests

- **Rongwei Tang:** After a brief discussion, a MOTION was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Grueter, to extend Ms. Tang's REG credits to December 31, 2021. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
- **Justin Bourne:** After a brief discussion, It was determined to TABLE Mr. Bourne's request.

Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated 48 Hours in Advance of Meeting

Adjourn Public Meeting, Enter Executive Session, and then Enter Investigative Conference (Closed Executive Session under G.L. c. 30A, ss. 21(a)(1) and 21(a)(7) to consider character rather than competence and to comply with G.L. c. 4, s. 7, para. 26(c) and G.L. c. 214, s. 1B, and then to enter Closed Investigative Conference under G.L. c. 112, s. 65C)

At 10:43 a.m., a MOTION was made by Mr. Davis seconded by Mr. Grueter, to: (1) exit the public meeting; (2) enter into a closed executive session under G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a) (1) and 21(a)(7) to consider character rather than competence and to comply with G.L. c. 4, s. 7, para. 26(c) and G.L. c. 214, s. 1B to review sensitive medical information in CPA Examination extension requests; (3) then enter into a closed investigative conference under G.L. c. 112 s. 65C; and (4) then, after investigative conference, not return to the public meeting. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

<u>Investigative Conference</u> (Closed Session under G.L. c. 112, s. 65C)

The Board entered investigative conference at 11:58 a.m.

During the investigative conference, the Board took the following actions:

Complaints:

2021-000150-IT-ENF Refer to Prosecutions

2021-000265-IT-ENF TABLE 2021-001000-IT-ENF DISMISS

Adjournment

At 12:06 p.m., a MOTION was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Grueter, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

The above minutes were approved at the public meeting held on August 19, 2021.

Danielle O'Neil, Executive Director

List of Documents Used by the Board at the Open Meeting:

- Draft Policy Regarding Practice by Individuals Licensed in Other States
- Credit Extension request from Rongwei Tang
- Credit Extension request from Justin Bourne