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MICHIGAN BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY
July 28, 2017 MEETING
APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Accountancy met on July 28, 2017, at the Ottawa Building, Conference Room 4, 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

CALL TO ORDER

Michael Swartz, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Michael J. Swartz, Chairperson, CPA
Matthew Howell, Vice Chairperson, CPA
James Bayson, CPA
Stephanie Bergeron, CPA
Barbara Homier, Public Member
Kathleen Post, CPA
Jennifer Kluge, Public Member
Ola M. Smith, Ph.D., CPA

Members Absent: None

Staff: Kim Gaedeke, Director, Bureau of Professional Licensing
Nakisha Bayes, Board Support, Boards and Committees Section
Andria Ditschman, Analyst, Boards and Committees Section
Rick Roselle, Analyst, Boards and Committees Section
Kiran Parag, Analyst, Compliance Section
Stacie Bayes, Manager, Licensing Division
Jennifer Fitzgerald, Assistant Attorney General

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Howell, seconded by Bayson, to approve the agenda with the following change: Move item 7B, Board Member Resolution to immediately follow item 4, Approval of Minutes from meeting of May 19, 2017.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Bayson, seconded by Howell, to approve the minutes from May 19, 2017 as written.

Bergeron abstained from voting.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

BOARD MEMBER RESOLUTION

Gaedeke presented former Board member, Richard G. David, with a Board Member Resolution thanking him for his time and service to the Michigan Board of Accountancy.

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

Petitioners

Paul Michael Soyk

Mr. Soyk introduced himself to the Board. He presented a brief statement and communicated his apologies to the Board for his past actions.

The Board posed several questions to Mr. Soyk.

MOTION by Swartz, seconded by Howell, to discuss.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Smith, seconded by Bayson, to grant the Petition for Reinstatement.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Bayson, Homier, Post, Smith, Howell, Swartz
 Nays: Bergeron, Kluge

MOTION PREVAILED

Gaedeke notified the Board of several other staffing changes. Ron Hitzler, has been promoted to a manager position with the Investigations and Inspections Division. Gaedeke recapped that Rick Roselle, is the new Board analyst from the Boards and Committees Section. Gaedeke also introduced Andria Ditschman and stated that she has been extremely helpful during the transition.

Gaedeke reported that the Department will be taking a closer look at the accreditation guidelines.

Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA)

Shane Barry reported on behalf of Peggy Dzierzawski, President and CEO of MICPA.

Barry thanked former member Richard G. David for his service on the Board. Barry also informed the Board that Mr. David will be receiving an award from the MICPA for his service.

Barry also congratulated Bergeron on her Board appointment.

Barry reported that thus far, 8,300 licensees renewed their licenses via the electronic tracker. This number is twice the amount of those that renewed electronically in 2015.

Barry reported that the MICPA has received over 1,000 calls and many emails, all providing positive feedback on the electronic tracker.

Barry explained that the MICPA is preparing for an influx of renewals this weekend and has the staff coverage scheduled to accommodate any questions or problems that licensees encounter.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Former Board member, Richard G. David, addressed the Board. He thanked the Board for his chance to have served. It has been an honor and a pleasure to work with the Michigan Board of Accountancy. David also thanked the Department as well as the Attorney General's Office for all of the work that they do.

David explained that he is pleased with the new process for reviewing cases.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held October 27, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center (UL), Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Bergeron, seconded by Howell, to adjourn the meeting at 10:54 a.m.

A voice vote was taken.

MOTION PREVAILED

Minutes approved by the Board on: October 27, 2017.

Prepared by:
Nakisha Bayes, Board Support
Bureau of Professional Licensing

July 31, 2017