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MICHIGAN BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY JULY 29, 2022 MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Accountancy met on July 29, 2022, at 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper-Level Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

CALL TO ORDER

Paul M. Balas, CPA, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Paul M. Balas, CPA, Chairperson
Charles Moore, Jr., CPA, Vice Chairperson
Christonna Campbell, Public Member
Jacqueline Dupler, JD, Public Member
Shelly Gower, CPA
Kathleen Isleib, CPA
Teresa Keena, CPA
Eulonda Whitmore, Public Member (arrived 9:22 a.m.)

Members Absent: Antonio Brown, CPA

Staff: Jennifer Fitzgerald, Assistant Attorney General
Weston MacIntosh, JD, Departmental Specialist,
Boards and Committees Section
Jennifer Shaltry, Senior Analyst, Compliance Section
Stephanie Wysack, Board Support Technician,
Boards and Committees Section

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Keena, seconded by Gower, to approve the amended agenda, removing item 5.2.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Dupler, seconded by Keena, to approve the minutes from May 26, 2022, as written.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

Consent Orders and Stipulations

Disselkoen & Company and Jeffrey Simon Disselkoen

Moore recused himself.

MOTION by Gower, seconded by Dupler, to accept the Consent Order and Stipulation.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Campbell, Dupler, Gower, Isleib, Keena, Balas
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Continuing Education Waiver Requests

Stanley Brownstein, CPA

MOTION by Gower, seconded by Isleib, to grant the Continuing Education Waiver Request.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Dupler, Gower, Isleib, Keena, Moore, Balas
Nays: Campbell

MOTION PREVAILED

John G. Mertz, CPA

MOTION by Isleib, seconded by Gower, to discuss.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Gower, seconded by Keena, to reject the Continuing Education Waiver Request.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Campbell, Dupler, Gower, Isleib, Keena, Whitmore,
Moore, Balas
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Carol Soens, CPA

MOTION by Moore, seconded by Keena, to discuss.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Discussion was held.

MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Dupler, to accept the Continuing Education Waiver Request.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Campbell, Dupler, Gower, Isleib, Keena, Whitmore,
Moore, Balas
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Alexander Thies, CPA

MOTION by Gower, seconded by Whitmore, to reject the Continuing Education Waiver Request.

A roll call vote was taken: Yeas: Campbell, Dupler, Gower, Isleib, Keena, Whitmore,
Moore, Balas
Nays: None

MOTION PREVAILED

Chair Report

Balas stated the AICPA is looking for feedback on CPA Exam Evolution. He stated that board members should respond as individuals, not as board members.

Discussion was held.

Balas stated that the 115th NASBA Annual Meeting will be held October 30 – November 2, 2022, in San Diego, California. He is unable to go, so he asked other board members to reach out to the department if they were interested in attending.

Balas stated that Ernst & Young (EY) recently had publicity about cheating on the CPA examination as well as with reporting of CPE. He asked if the Enforcement Division could weigh in at all. MacIntosh stated that members should refer any information about the issue to our Investigations & Inspections Division.

Discussion was held.

Department Update

MacIntosh stated that Amy Gumbrecht had been named Director of the Bureau of Professional Licensing.

MacIntosh stated that the bureau will hold the next Board Member Training on August 16, 2022, via Zoom. All board members are welcome to attend.

MacIntosh stated that recent legislation passed, requiring that board meetings be recorded. He stated that the board will need to be mindful of microphones and to make sure to speak loudly and clearly.

MICPA Update

Robert Doyle, President and CEO of MICPA, stated that the MICPA was continuing to work with licensees and the department on renewals. He stated that that of the 600 licensees due in 2022, about 200 have renewed so far.

Doyle stated that the MICPA had sent their grant request to LARA for support of the CE Tracker.

Doyle stated that the financial literacy bill had passed. This would require a half credit requirement in accounting in school curriculums, as early as middle school.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held October 28, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper-Level Conference Center Room 3, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Keena, seconded by Dupler, to adjourn the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Minutes approved by the Board on October 28, 2022.

Prepared by:
Stephanie Wysack, Board Support Technician
Bureau of Professional Licensing

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