

**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
FEBRUARY 18, 2010
MONMOUTH ROOM - 7TH FLOOR**

I Call to Order and Roll Call - 9:40 A.M.

A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Accountancy was convened in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Pursuant to those provisions, the proper notifications were made to the Office of the Secretary of State, the Camden Courier-Post, the Trenton Times, the Asbury Park Press, the Record, and the Star-Ledger. Board President Donald Jump called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following roll call was taken:

Keith Balla, CPA	Excused
Robert Cagnassola, CPA	Present
John Dailey, Jr., CPA	Present
Albertus Jenkins, Public Member	Present
J. Frank Johnson, Public Accountant	Present
Donald Jump, CPA	Present
Paul J. Lerch, CPA	Present
Michael S. Taxin, Public Accountant	Present
Peter Torok, Public Member	Present
John E. Tully, CPA	Present
Steven Weinstein, CPA	Present

Also present at the meeting were William Mandeville, Executive Director; Tobey Palan, Deputy Attorney General; Melba Rodriguez, Secretarial Assistant; Marie Lisa, Staff; Mike Polito, Past President, NJSCPA; Robert Traphagen, President, NJSCPA; Jeff Kaszerman, Government Relations Manager, NJSCPA and David Plaskow, Editor, NJSCPA Magazine.

II Minutes of the Meeting of January 21, 2010

On a motion made by J. Frank Johnson, seconded by Peter Torok, the Board voted to approve the January 21, 2010 Public Session minutes with corrections. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

III President's Remarks

Board President Jump had no report for the Board.

IV Executive Director's Remarks

Executive Director Mandeville had no report for the Board.

V Request for Reinstatement

A Carletta O. Smith

Correspondence was received from Ms. Smith wherein she is requesting reinstatement of her CPA license. Ms. Smith voluntarily surrendered her CPA license in 2006.

On a motion made by Robert Cagnassola, seconded by Albertus Jenkins, the Board voted to request the appearance of Ms. Smith before the Investigative Inquiry Committee. When corresponding with Ms. Smith regarding her appearance, she is to be informed that she must provide the Board with a current resume and any CPE credits that she has completed. The Board would also like to receive third party verification that she has complied with her probation requirements. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

VI Legislative Matters

A Regulatory Analyst Sheehan

Regulatory Analyst Sheehan joined the meeting at 10:00 am to discuss two issues: the responses to the comments received relative to the proposed Peer Review regulations and to submit a draft and give a status report on the "sunset review" of all Board regulations which are due to expire in October.

B Proposed Peer Review Regulations

One piece of correspondence was received from the public; specifically from Mr. Robert E. Swartz, the Chair of the Peer Review Executive Committee of the NJSCPA. There were twenty comments contained in the document submitted by Mr. Swartz. Ms Sheehan gave a detailed review of each comment and a draft of the response from the Board as submitted by the QE Committee. Modifications were made to the proposed regulations as a result of a number of comments with which the Board agreed. Detailed explanations were given for those comments with which the Board did not concur.

On a motion made by Robert Cagnassola, seconded by Steven Weinstein, the Board voted to approve the draft of the responses to the public comments and the various changes made to the proposed Peer Review regulations. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

Robert Cagnassola thanked Regulatory Analyst Sheehan for all of her hard work and noted that Mr. Swartz's comments were well thought out and helped make improvements to our Peer Review regulations.

C "Sunset Review" of Board Regulations

Regulatory Analyst Sheehan explained to the Board that all regulations of the Board are scheduled to expire in October, 2010. New Jersey Statutes require that these rules and regulations be reviewed every five years to ensure that they remain up to date. Since early in 2009, the Rules and Regulations Committee has been conducting a thorough review of the Board's rules and regulations. As a result, a draft of the revised regulations was submitted to the Board for their review.

On a motion made by John Dailey, seconded by Albertus Jenkins, the Board voted to approve the draft of the changes to the rule and regulations. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

John Dailey thanked the Committee for their efforts in this project. Mr. Dailey specifically noted the work of former Board member and Chair of the Committee, Andrew DuBoff. He lastly thanked Analyst Sheehan for all of her contributions to this project.

VII Committee Reports

A CPA Examination Committee

John Tully had no report for the Board.

B Ethics Committee

No report was given.

C CPE Committee

John Tully reported to the Board that a Committee meeting will be held after the conclusion of the Board meeting. A Committee report will be provided at the March 18, 2010 Board meeting.

D RMA Committee

Robert Cagnassola reported to the Board that the results of the RMA examination conducted on December 4, 2009 have been mailed. To date, only one person has requested to review their exam. That person will be contacted to schedule a date and time in the near future.

E QE Committee

Robert Cagnassola referred to Regulatory Analyst Sheehan's QE report.

F Education Committee

Albertus Jenkins had no report for the Board.

G Reciprocity Committee

No report was given.

H Nominating Committee

Robert Cagnassola reported to the Board that the Nominating Committee would get together after the Board meeting and report back the Board at the March 18, 2010 meeting. Elections will be held in April and the terms of the new officers will commence in May 2010.

I Statute/Rules/Regulations Committee

John Dailey commented on the draft of the “Sunset Review” referred to Regulatory Analyst Sheehan’s review of the draft.

J Planning Committee

Albertus Jenkins had no report for the Board.

K Monitoring Profession Committee

John Dailey had no report for the Board.

VIII Public Comments

Robert Traphagen, President, NJSCPA informed the Board of the following events:

The 50th Anniversary Scholarship Ceremony of the Society will be conducted on April 22, 2010 in Woodbridge. There will be \$300,000 awarded in scholarships during this event.

The Annual Business and Technical Show will be held on May 12-13, 2010 at the Meadowlands Expo Center in Secaucus, NJ.

On June 2-4, 2010 the Annual In-State Convention will held at Bally’s in Atlantic City, NJ.

The Society’s Getaway Convention will held be in Naples, FL, November 3-6, 2010.

Mr. Traphagen gave a brief report on legislation of interest to the Society and informed the Board that several representatives were in Trenton testifying on a bill to extend the deadline for the filing of annual school district audits.

Mr. Traphagen stated that the Society would be meeting soon with the Governor’s Appointments Secretary to promote the appointment of CPAs to various positions on boards and committees.

Lastly, Mr. Traphagen thanked the Board for its efforts relative to Peer Review but again reiterated the Society’s concerns about having a Board member as part of the Oversight Committee.

On a motion made by Michael Taxin, seconded by Peter Torok, the Board voted to adjourn the Public Session meeting at 10:50 A.M. to reconvene in Executive Session to discuss the results of the Investigative Inquiry conducted February 4, 2010, one Request to Sit for the CPA Exam, two matters of Old Business, two matters of New Business, nine PCAOB reports and one Consumer Complaint. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

William Mandeville
Executive Director