

**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY  
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES  
MAY 19, 2011  
SOMERSET ROOM - 6<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR**

**I Call to Order and Roll Call - 9:30 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 Keith Balla called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. The following roll call was taken:

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

Also present at the meeting were William Mandeville, Executive Director; John Hugelmeyer, Deputy Attorney General; Melba Rodriguez, Secretarial Assistant; Robert Marrone, President, NJSCPA; Mike Polito, Past President, NJSCPA; Jeff Kaszerman, NJSCPA and David Plaskow, Editor, NJSCPA Magazine.

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## **II Minutes of the Meeting of April 21, 2011**

On a motion made by John Dailey, seconded by Daniel Geltrude, the Board voted to approve the April 21, 2011 Public Session minutes with corrections. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

## **III President's Remarks**

Board President Balla thanked the Board and staff for all their hard work. Board President Balla also took the opportunity to thank former Board President Jump for all his hard work and presented him with a plaque on behalf of the entire Board.

## **IV Executive Director's Remarks**

Executive Director Mandeville had no report for the Board.

## **V Request for Waiver**

### **A Mark Gomez**

Correspondence was received from Mark Gomez wherein he is requesting a transfer of grades from the State of Arizona. Mr. Gomez is requesting a waiver of three credits in Business Law and three credits in Finance.

On a motion made by Donald Jump, seconded by Robert Cagnassola, the Board voted to deny Mr. Gomez's request for transfer of grades. He is to be informed that he must complete the six credits he is lacking or provide proof to the Board that he has complied with the 150 credit hour rule. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

### **B Ariel Gamburg**

Correspondence was received from Ariel Gamburg wherein he is requesting reciprocity from the State of New York. Mr. Gamburg is unable to provide one statement of experiencing, indicating his auditing and accounting experience.

On a motion made by Donald Jump, seconded by John Dailey, the Board voted to approve Mr. Gamburg's request for reciprocity. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

**VI Uniform Penalty Letter in Lieu of Formal Complaint for CPE Audit**

**A Requested Voluntary Surrender**

- 1 Mitchell M. Greenburg
- 2 Leslie J. Gaulton
- 3 Robert M. Czermak
- 4 Dennis G. Spalmacin
- 5 Frank N. Bruno
- 6 William D. Jacobi
- 7 Ronald J. Venanzi
- 8 John Lee
- 9 Phillip Vellucci, Jr.
- 10 Richard A. Crouse
- 11 Richard T. Eknoian
- 12 David B. Freedman

On a motion made by Steven Weinstein, seconded by Albertus Jenkins, the Board voted to approve the Requests for Voluntary Surrender. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

**B Paid Penalty and Requested Inactive-paid Status**

- 1 David F. Mulder
- 2 Scott Nydick

On a motion made by John Dailey, seconded by Steven Weinstein, the Board voted to approve the Paid Penalty and Request for Inactive-paid Status. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

**C Paid Penalty and Will Make up Credits**

- 1 James Zanego - \$8,000 - paid - 120 Credits
- 2 Malvina P. Krupatkin - \$8,000 - paid - 120 Credits
- 3 Richard A. Ilaria - \$8,000 - 120 Credits - payment plan 16 payments
- 4 Joel B. Grossman - \$8,000 - paid - 120 Credits
- 5 Jeffrey M. Herring - \$8,000 - paid - 120 Credits

On a motion made by John Dailey, seconded by Donald Jump, the Board voted to approve the Paid Penalty and Will Make up Credits. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

**D Requested Board to Consider Explanation**

- 1 Michael M. Zito

The Chair directed that this matter be sent back to the Committee for further review.

- 2 Kristen A. Raeter

The Chair directed that this matter be moved to Executive Session for review.

- 3 Jose A. Leitao

The Chair directed that this matter be sent back to the Committee for further review.

- 4 Curtis S. Knazick

On a motion made by John Dailey, seconded by Donald Jump, the Board voted to uphold the original UPL. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

- 5 Gerald S. Vassallo

The Chair directed that this matter be moved to Executive Session for review.

6 Linda A. Irons

On a motion made by Donald Jump, seconded by John Dailey, the Board voted to inform Ms. Irons' that she is to supply the Board office with her records. If records are not received by May 31, 2011, the original UPL is to be upheld. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

7 Joanne Farrington

Donald Jump recused himself from this matter.

On a motion made by Steven Weinstein, seconded by Albertus Jenkins, the Board voted to uphold the original UPL. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

8 William Young Kim

On a motion made by John Dailey, seconded by Robert Cagnassola, the Board voted to uphold the original UPL. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

**Uniform Penalty Letter in Lieu of Formal Complaint for Cpe Audit -  
Addendum**

**Requested Voluntary Surrender**

- 1 Debra Di Santis
- 2 Dane William West
- 3 Richard P. Baime
- 4 George K. Tsahalis
- 5 Frederick T. Ott
- 6 Terrence A. Lawler
- 7 Lester J. Soloway
- 8 Yvonne P. Reutlinger
- 9 John M. Tassillo

- 10 Wayne P. Castronovo
- 11 Juan C. Mehecha, Jr.
- 12 Richard K. Ferguson
- 13 Rajiv R. Puri
- 14 Jeffrey W. Dacosta
- 15 Frank M. Janssens
- 16 James Martino
- 17 Simon E. Nijnens
- 18 Ralph Bucci
- 19 Min-Chyang Yeh
- 20 Sharon Gilardi
- 21 John W. Bowe
- 22 Kenton W. Nice
- 23 Eunsun Kim
- 24 Darryl D. Smith
- 25 Robert F. Dathe
- 26 James Haddad
- 27 Basant P. Gajwani
- 28 Elisa Demetropoulos
- 29 Annette Von Bartheld
- 30 Denis J. Manginelli
- 31 Joseph D. Renner

- 32 Robert Goldzman
- 33 Michael K. Garvey
- 34 Douglas J. Horner
- 35 Werner Becker
- 36 Gary Dorin
- 37 Irving P. Sulzer
- 38 David E. Violette
- 39 Jose A. Alvarez
- 40 Raphael H. Chun
- 41 Michael Frino, Jr.
- 42 Steven Wojtowicz
- 43 John W. Edwards
- 44 Gary S. Staudt
- 45 Francis J. Brennan, Jr.
- 46 William H. Freeswick
- 47 Diane K. Bove
- 48 Madeline Herbert
- 49 John F. McItgue, Jr.
- 50 Victor F. Cinquino
- 51 Henry R. Russo
- 52 Carol A. Stampfl
- 53 Eileen Y. Washbourn

- 54 William C. Fasnacht
- 55 Livio D. Mancino
- 56 Daeil Ahn
- 57 James D. Turek
- 58 Donald R. Isenburg
- 59 Jeannie Concia

On a motion made by John Dailey, seconded by Donald Jump, the Board voted to approve the Requests for Voluntary Surrender. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

**Paid Penalty and Requested Inactive-status**

- 1 Thomas R. Brown - \$8,000.00 penalty - paid
- 2 John R. Holland - \$8,000.00 penalty - paid
- 3 Regina B. Tarone - \$8,000.00 penalty - will make 16 payments
- 4 Nicholas Lorusso - \$8,000.00 penalty - paid
- 5 Robert C. Miskura - \$8,000.00 penalty - will make 16 payments
- 6 Spiros Tsaketas - \$7,000.00 penalty - will make 10 payments
- 7 Daniel J. Hope - \$8,000.00 penalty - paid
- 8 James M. Maguire - \$8,000 penalty - paid

On a motion made by John Dailey, seconded by Steven Weinstein, the Board voted to approve the Paid Penalty and Request for Inactive-paid Status. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

**Paid Penalty and Will Make up Credits**

- 1 Linwood Arnette, Jr. - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 10 payments
- 2 William Michael Garofalo - \$8,000.00 - paid
- 3 Keith Nobin - \$8,000.00 - paid
- 4 Daniel J. Connolly - \$1,000.00 - 23 credits - paid
- 5 BernardV. Navatto, Jr. - \$7,000.00 - 105 credits - paid
- 6 Leigh J. Kremer - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 7 Anthony Fiore - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 8 Kenneth I. Bailynson - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 9 Jeffrey L. Katz - \$8,000.00 - paid
- 10 David A. Kinkella - \$8,000.00 - paid
- 11 Jeffrey Cohen - \$8,000.00 - paid
- 12 George P. Porcelli, Jr. - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 13 John Plaskon - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 14 William Donnelly - \$8,000.00 - paid
- 15 Michael F. Heyman - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 16 Edward H. Hlavach - \$8,000.00 - paid
- 17 James J. Quadrel - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 18 Ivan Goldstein - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 19 Jimmy A. Joseph - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 20 Richard S. Lubitz - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments

- 21 Paul A. Ritner - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 22 Bruce D. Muretta - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 23 Ira W. Blumberg - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 24 Harriett S. Villani - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 25 Stephen A. Stamatiou - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 26 Sergio A. Vlacich - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments
- 27 Kevin J. Whitehead - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 10 payments
- 28 Joseph P. Acquella - \$3,500.00 - paid
- 29 Maria V. Csicseri - \$8,000.00 - payment plan 16 payments

On a motion made by John Dailey, seconded by Donald Jump, the Board voted to approve the Paid Penalty and Will Make up Credits. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

**To Rescind \$8,000.00 Upl**

Robert B. Almerini

Licensee complied with CPE - Staff checked credits he meets the 120. Needs to complete 4 Law & Ethics.

**Paul Ferreira - Request for CPE Waiver**

Correspondence was received from Paul Ferreira wherein he requests a waiver of his CPE credits for renewal period 01/01/08 thru 12/31/11. Mr. Ferreira is currently in active duty in Afghanistan.

On a motion made by John Dailey, seconded by Albertus Jenkins, the Board voted to inform Mr. Ferreira that the credits he is deficient will be waived for renewal period ending 12/31/11. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

## **VII Committee Reports**

### **A CPA Examination Committee**

Steven Weinstein thanked the Board for allowing him to serve as Treasurer of the Board.

Mr. Weinstein reported to the Board that he received the information from NASBA regarding the examination site visitations. The New Jersey sites are located in Clark, Hamilton and Fairlawn.

Upon discussion, the Board members agreed that Mr. Cagnassola would visit the Clark location, Mr. Jump would visit the Hamilton location and Mr. Weinstein would visit the Fairlawn location.

Executive Director Mandeville informed the Board that the necessary paperwork would be prepared to entrance to the examination sites.

### **B Ethics Committee**

Keith Balla reported to the Board the a letter to IPD was sent informing them what they would have to supply to have their course approved.

### **C CPE Committee**

Keith Balla had no report for the Board. Executive Director Mandeville reported that Ms. Wilson from the Board office would like to meet with the Committee after the meeting has concluded.

Board President Balla informed the Board that he worked on the letter to Irene Douma which has been sent out to her.

### **D RMA Committee**

Robert Cagnassola had no report for the Board.

### **E Peer Review Program Committee**

Robert Cagnassola reported to the Board that the Peer Review Program mailing has been sent out. Mr. Cagnassola would like to further discuss this matter in Executive Session.

F     Education Committee

Albertus Jenkins had no report for the Board.

G     Reciprocity Committee

No report was given.

H     Nominating Committee

Robert Cagnassola had no report for the Board.

I     Statute/Rules/Regulations Committee

John Dailey reported to the Board that there are three items that should be discussed and would like to set up a meeting.

J     Planning Committee

Albertus Jenkins had no report for the Board.

K     Monitoring Profession Committee

John Dailey reported to the Board for the month of May, \$1,281,100.00 penalties have been assessed, \$128,050.00 has been received, 70 voluntary surrenders, 12 request for inactive paid status, 116 UPLs have been sent and 126 have responded.

John Dailey reported to the Board that, to date, 323 UPLs have been sent, 239 have responded to the UPLs, 119 voluntary surrenders and 38 have requested to be placed on inactive paid status. To date, the total amount of penalties assessed is \$2,508,000.00.

**VIII   Public Comments**

Robert S. Marrone, President, NJSCPA informed the Board of important Society dates.

- June 1, 2011 - Society will once again be one of the sponsors of the Annual CIANJ Legislative One-on-One Dinner at Nanina's in the Park, Belleville, NJ.

- June 2, 2011 - Society's Scholars Institute Program at Douglas College at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ.
- June 8-10, 2011 - Society's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual New Jersey Convention and Expo will be held at the Taj Mahal in Atlantic City.
- November 9-12, 2011 - NJSCPA Professional Development Conference in San Antonio, TX featuring Ed Robinson from Robinson Performance Group and presentations from First Global.
- December 9, 2011 - Society's Holiday Board Luncheon.

### **Society Activities and Engagements on the Legislative and Regulatory Front**

The Society is monitoring the following legislation and regulatory activities in Trenton and Washington, DC:

- In Trenton, the legislature and administration continue to be focused on issues surrounding the budget, and pension and health care benefits reform from state government workers. Consequently, mandatory audit firm rotation, the Tax Preparers Licensing Act S 672 and A 2396, and Appeal Bond Cap legislation S 2116 and A 2473 continue to be in a holding pattern. The Society is hopeful that the Appeal Bond Cap legislation will be introduced this session by Senator Lesniak as part of a stimulus bill advancing economic growth in New Jersey.
- On the National scene, AICPA has been engaged in discussions with the IRS Commissioner to develop disclaimer language that can be used in advertisements by organizations such as H&R once a name has been agreed upon for unlicensed tax preparers. The goal is to ensure that the public is not confused about the skills sets of unlicensed prepares and that the name/designation is not viewed as an endorsement of unlicensed tax preparers.
- Since the April State Board meeting, the Society attended a State Chamber Cornerstone program featuring Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno and 15 high level members of Governor Christie's administration. The Lt. Governor provided an update on the Administration's latest initiatives, and the high level members in attendance participated in round table discussions with attendees from the top companies and business organization in New Jersey.
- As to the recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Panel (Panel), there has not been any significant change since the April Board meeting. The Financial Accounting Foundation (FAF) work group has been formed. However, the work group has not issued any commentary regarding the Panel's recommendations. We still expect they will not come out with any definitive comments, etc. until late this summer.

### **Additional Comments/Questions**

- The upcoming AICPA Council meeting in Washington, DC will focus on the proposed joint venture between AICPA and CIMA to promote, advance and support the creation of a global management accounting credential.
- Will licensees who have received a request to supply supporting documentation for the completion of their 120 hours requirements be informed when the Board has accepted/approved the documentation they have supplied?

On a motion made by Michael Taxin, seconded by Donald Jump, the Board voted to adjourn the Public Session meeting at 10:30 A.M. to reconvene in Executive Session to discuss two matters moved from Public Session to Executive Session and two Consumer Complaints. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

William Mandeville  
Executive Director