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Jimmy Corley, CPA Executive Director

# BOARD MEETING MINUTES June 22, 2012

The regular meeting of the Arkansas State Board of Public Accountancy (Board) was held in Suite 450 of the Main Street Mall on June 22, 2012 with Dale Coy, President, presiding. Other members of the Board in attendance were: Gene Cogbill, Karen Garrett, Lloyd Franklin, Mike Moore, Wade Turner and William "Bill" Millager. Members of the staff in attendance were: Jimmy Corley, Executive Director; Ann Jessup, Fiscal Officer/CPE Coordinator, Dale Edge, Investigator, and Alan Fortney, IT Manager. Other attendees were: Ron Pitts, Arkansas Society of Certified Public Accountants, Arnie Jochums, Assistant Attorney General, Mark Ohrenberger, Assistant Attorney General, \*Greg Kirkpatrick, Hearing Official and \*Stephanie Branton, Court Reporter.

# CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Coy officially called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. A quorum was found to be present.

# PUBLIC HEARINGS

The board moved immediately to the public hearings for H12-002, H12-005, H12-007, H12-012, H12-013, H12-023, H12-025, H12-028. The board reconvened at 9:50 a.m.

\*Stephanie Branton and Greg Kirkpatrick left the meeting at the conclusion of the hearings.

# **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The election of new officers was held and the results are as follows: Mr. Gene Cogbill, President; Dr. Mike Moore, Secretary; Karen Garrett, Treasurer.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2012 board meeting as presented. The motion carried.

# **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report for May 2012, as presented. The motion passed.

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## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## **Compliance**

The Compliance Committee has met one time.

#### Three new complaints:

- 1) Firm allegedly holding records.
- 2) Inactive licensee working in public accounting.
- 3) Applicant requesting reinstatement of surrendered license.

#### A. Requesting closure of 12 complaints – 1 by Consent Order:

- 1) **C11-079** (**Cert # 48LC**) External complaint alleging negligence regarding tax and bookkeeping services. No violations found requesting closure no further action.
- C12-011 (Cert # 80LP) Licensee firm requesting entity change from Corporation to LLP. Firm name will remain the same. One of the two namesake licensees will no longer be stockholder in new entity. Name change approved at May 2012 Board meeting. Close with no further action.
- 3) C12-029 (Cert #1441) Licensee failed to renew for 2012 licensure year. Notice hearing issued in May 2012. Licensee has surrendered by affidavit. Requesting closure with no further action.
- 4) C12-036 (Cert #1734) Licensee failed to renew for 2012 licensure year. Notice hearing issued in May 2012. Licensee has surrendered by affidavit. Requesting closure with no further action.
- 5) C12-037 (Cert #6852) Licensee failed to renew for 2012 licensure year. Notice hearing issued in May 2012. Licensee has surrendered by affidavit. Requesting closure with no further action.
- 6) C12-039 (Cert #54LC) Firm failed to renew for 2012 licensure year. Notice hearing issued in May 2012. Firm surrendered certificate at May Board meeting. Requesting closure with no further action.
- 7) C12-041 (Cert #8599R) Licensee failed to renew for 2012 licensure year. Notice hearing issued in May 2012. Licensee has surrendered by affidavit. Requesting closure with no further action.
- 8) **C12-044** (**Cert #2965**) Licensee failed to renew for 2012 licensure year. Notice hearing issued in May 2012. Licensee has surrendered by affidavit. Requesting closure with no further action.
- 9) C12-048 (Cert #1167) Licensee failed to renew for 2012 licensure year. Notice hearing issued in May 2012. Licensee surrendered certificate at May Board meeting.

Requesting closure with no further action.

- 10) C12-010 (Cert #1550R) Licensee failed to renew for 2012 licensure year. Notice hearing issued in May 2012. Staff has been informed Licensee is deceased. Requesting closure with no further action.
- 11) C12-046 (Cert #8012) Licensee failed to renew for 2012 licensure year. Notice hearing issued in May 2012. Staff has been informed Licensee is deceased. Requesting closure with no further action.

Motion made and seconded to close C11-079, C12-011, C12-029, C12-036, C12-037, C12-039, C12-041, C12-044, C12-048, C12-010, C12-046. The motion passed.

## **CONSENT ORDER**

## 12) C12-018 (Cert # 6464) - Consent Order

Applicant's CPA certificate became void January 1, 2009 for failure to renew. Applicant requesting License to Practice pursuant to A.C.A. § 17-12-301. Applicant has agreed to a consent order, completed 120 hours of CPE, background check and paid 2006-2008 inactive fees and 2012 LTP fee plus late fees totaling \$635.00. Requesting closure by Consent Order.

Motion made and seconded to close C12-018 by consent order. The motion passed.

## Personnel

Mr. Corley stated he had compiled a list for the Board to review for potential candidates for the Investigator position.

#### Adjourned and reconvened

Mr. Coy adjourned into Executive Session at 11:03 p.m. and reconvened at 11:10 am.

A motion was made and seconded to grant the Executive Director the authority to select the Investigator and negotiate the salary. The motion passed.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## External Audit

A motion was made and seconded to accept the proposal of Bell Foster Johnson & Watkins, LLP, Certified Public Accountants, to perform the external audit of the 2012 Financial Statements. The motion passed.

## CPE Group Requirement Waiver Request

<u>Thomas Murry</u> – Mr. Murry requested a waiver of group CPE requirement for license upgrade to active status. After review of documentation a motion was made and seconded to grant the waiver of the group CPE requirement for upgrade. The motion passed.

#### **CPE** Penalty Waiver Request

Thomas Murry - Mr. Murry requested a waiver of the 2009 CPE penalty of \$500 for failure to meet group CPE requirements and failure of ethics, in order to upgrade his license status to active. A motion was made and seconded to reduce the 2009 CPE penalty from \$500 to \$300. The motion passed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Exam ADA Request

Laura Taylor – ADA request for extended time on the CPA exam. After review of a letter and documentation from Ms. Taylor, a motion was made and seconded to grant Ms. Taylor time and a half for taking the exam. The motion passed.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### Strategic Planning Meeting

The 2012 Strategic Planning Meeting will be held July 20-21, 2012 at the CrossHeirs Retreat Center in Humphrey, Arkansas.

#### GL Solution User Conference

A motion was made and seconded to approve the travel expenses for Alan Fortney to attend the G L Solution User conference. The motion passed.

## **APPLICATIONS AND SURRENDERS**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the applications and surrenders subject to review by a board member. The motion carried.

#### NEW LICENSE

8993	Charles K. Atkinson		
8995	William Cody Jones		
8997	Kelly Jo Millwood		
8999	Randa Leigh Williams		
•"R" DENOTES A RECIPROCAL LICENSE			

#### NEW FIRM LICENSES

1751C Bunch & Lanier, CPAS, LLC

## INDIVIDUAL AND ENTITY SURRENDERS

2965	Katherine L. Edwards	1441	Eugene J. Hagedor
1734	Paul E. Moore, Jr.	6852	Stacey Lynn Parke
8599R	Ashley Jill Wright	73LP	Frazer Frost, LLP

## NAME CHANGE

250C Hubbs, Belcher & Company CPA'S P.A. 112C McQueen & CO., LTD.

- 8994 John Christopher Cheney 8996 Micah R. Knox
- 8998 Michelle Elizabeth Morris

- rn
- er
- 6LP McGladrey, LLP

# ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 p.m.