



Board of Accountancy Public Meeting Minutes

Accountancy Board

Tuesday, February 4, 2025 at 9:00 AM EST to Tuesday, February 4, 2025 at 12:00 PM EST

Members Absent:

Members Present: Ed David – Chair(Remote), Debra Grott, Richard Silverman, Jonathan Blais, Charles Powell, Joseph Bator, Lisa Athanasia

Staff Present: Alex Fisher – Board Administrator, Chelsea Bourbeau – Board Administrator, Rahkiya Medley Esq. – Board Counsel

I. Call To Order – Debra called the meeting to order at 9:04AM.

-Ed David is participating remotely due to excessive travel.

II. Approval of Public Minutes from December 2, 2024 Meeting

Motion: Upon a motion by Rich with a second by Charles, the board voted to approve the public minutes from the December 2, 2024 meeting as amended. Roll call vote passes 7-0.

III. Welcome Heather Kelley - Director of Operations - 9:30AM

A. CE Broker Update

1. Heather joined the meeting and discussed CE broker as a tracker for Certified Public Accountants Continuing Professional Education. The board expressed concerns about this program and would like to find out more about the NASBA CPE service.

IV. Administrative Rules and Legislative Topics

A. Ac 300 - Hearing at 10:30AM

1. The hearing began at 10:33AM. Charles provided several edits to Ac 300. He will send his comments to the Board Administrator to send to the rules coordinator. The hearing ended at 11:15AM. The board reviewed two public comments. The board was informed there is a timeline for rules and they will need to schedule a meeting in March. The board will hold a special rules meeting on Monday March 17th at 1:00pm.

B. Ac 400 - Hearing at 10:30AM

1. Charles provided several edits to AC 400 which the rules coordinator will review and provide an updated draft at the March 17, 2025 meeting.

C. Ac 501-503 and Ac 505-507 - Vote on Adoption

Motion: Upon a motion by Rich with a second by Debra, the board voted to adopt Ac 501-503 and Ac 505-507. Roll call vote passes 7-0.

D. HB 236 – Rich

-Rich provided an update on HB 236 and informed the board that he attended the hearing last week and that the bill passed 10-1 in the house. The house representatives would like an administrative fee added into the bill.

E. Board Counsel Legislative Update

-Board Counsel gave an update on legislative bills related to 91-A.

V. Non Public Session

Motion to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3 II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

Motion: Upon a motion by Debra with a second by Joe, the board voted to go into their first non public session at 9:53AM. Roll call vote passes 7-0.

Motion: Upon a motion by Charles with a second by Jonathan, the board voted to go into their second non public session at 11:23AM. Roll call vote passes 7-0.

VI. Seal the Minutes of the Non Public Session

Minutes of the non-public session are sealed to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective

Motion: Upon a motion by Charles with a second by Rich, the board voted to seal the minutes of the first non public session. Roll call vote passes 7-0.

Motion: Upon a motion by Joe with a second by Charles, the board voted to seal the minutes of the second non public session at 11:53AM. Roll call vote passes 7-0.

VII. Old Business

A. CE Audit

1. The board inquired on the status of the 2024 CE audit. The board administrator informed the board that the audit will be going out after tax season.

B. NASBA 2024 Eastern Regional Meeting

1. The board discussed the NASBA 2024 eastern regional meeting. Jonathan, Rich and Ed expressed interest in attending. The board will further discuss on who is attending at the April meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

-The board adjourned at 11:45AM. The next meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2025 at 1:00AM.