

State of Alaska
Department of Commerce, Community and
Economic Development
Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY

MINUTES OF TELECONFERENCE
December 22, 2020

By authority of AS 08.01.070(2), and in compliance with the provisions of AS 44.62, Article 6, a scheduled teleconference of the Board of Public Accountancy was held December 22, 2020.

Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Leslie Schmitz, at 2:05 p.m. Those present, constituting a quorum of the Board were:

Leslie Schmitz, CPA
Wesley Tegeler, CPA
Karen Smith, public member
Don Rulien, CPA
Donald Vieira, CPA
Marja Beltrami, CPA

Present from the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, were:

Cori Hondolero, Executive Administrator
Amber Whaley, Senior Investigator

Agenda Item 1 – Review Agenda

The Board wanted to add time for brief introductions if new member Lance Johnson joined the meeting.

There was a brief discussion about Board appointments. Ms. Beltrami noted that she had not been contacted by Boards & Commission about a second term. Ms. Hondolero stated that she would send Ms. Beltrami contact information for Boards & Commissions, so that she could express interest in a second term if she wanted.

Agenda Item 2 – Application Review

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. Rulien, and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing application matters.

The Board entered executive session at 2:10 p.m.
The Board went back on the record at 3:08 p.m.

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Tegeler seconded by Mr. Rulien, and approved by a majority vote, it was:

RESOLVED to approve Joy Fronteras’ application for reinstatement to inactive status.

	YES	NO
Don Rulien	X	
Karen Smith		X
Wes Tegeler	X	
Don Vieira	X	
Marja Beltrami	X	
Leslie Schmitz	X	

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Rulien, seconded by Ms. Smith, and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to table the CPE credit for a publication application of Donald Hester; the Board requests the following information:

- **Information detailing how the various numbers of hours listed on the application were calculated/tracked.**
- **Valid web link to where this book is available for purchase & confirmation of who the publisher is. The Board was unsuccessful locating this book on Amazon.**
- **Copy (PDF emailed is acceptable) of the book that you authored titled “Analytical Procedures for Not-For-Profit Organizations.” The Board needs to confirm that the content for the current book is substantially different.**

The Board reviewed NTS and exam extension recommendations forwarded from NASBA and took the following action:

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Rulien seconded by Mr. Tegeler, and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to accept the recommendation from NASBA and deny Satoshi Fujiwara's NTS extension request.

A motion was duly made by Mr. Rulien seconded by Mr. Vieira:

To accept the recommendation from NASBA and deny the following FAR exam score extension request of Naina Srivastava.

The motion failed:

	YES	NO
Don Rulien	X	
Karen Smith		X
Wes Tegeler		X
Don Vieira	X	
Marja Beltrami		X
Leslie Schmitz		X

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Tegeler seconded by Ms. Beltrami, and approved by a majority vote, it was:

RESOLVED to approve the extension of Naina Srivastava's FAR exam section score to June 30, 2021.

	YES	NO
Don Rulien		X
Karen Smith	X	
Wes Tegeler	X	
Don Vieira		X
Marja Beltrami	X	
Leslie Schmitz	X	

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Rulien seconded by Mr. Tegeler, and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to accept the recommendation from NASBA and deny Dimple Chaudhary's exam extension request; 12 AAC 04.200(i).

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Tegeler seconded by Mr. Rulien, and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to accept the recommendation from NASBA and approve following NTS extension requests:

- **Abdullah Abutheeb**
- **Kinan Almsouti**
- **Azusa Sekigawa**
- **Mahmood Mohammed**
- **Jasper de Zwart**
- **Wei-Chieh Peng**

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Beltrami seconded by Mr. Tegeler, and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to accept the recommendation from NASBA and approve following exam score extension requests through June 30, 2021:

- **Yoshihiro Sampei**
- **Regina Safina**
- **Ai Miyazawa**
- **Ahmed Jaber**
- **Yuki Ito**
- **Mahmmud Al Shiyab**

Agenda Item 3 – Legislative Project Update

Ms. Schmitz let the Board know that she had sent responses to the last set of legislative legal questions to Lynette with Representative Thompson's office and that the bill would be pre-filed.

The Board briefly discussed the legislative sunset audit and noted that they will need to seek a legislator to sponsor the bill. The Board was recommended for the maximum 8-year extension and the noted finding was related to length of time for investigations. Ms. Schmitz stated that she would reach out to Representative Thompson to ask if he would be willing to sponsor the bill.

Agenda Item 4 – Administrative Business

The Board discussed the dates/location for the February meeting and decided that the meeting dates will remain the same (February 8-9, 2021) and the meeting will be held via Zoom. The Board requested that Mr. Cox (AICPA) be invited to attend and discuss the active legislation during the meeting.

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Tegeler seconded by Ms. Smith, and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting.

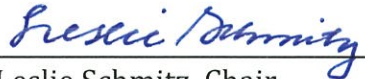
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Cori Hondolero
Executive Administrator

Approved:



Leslie Schmitz, Chair
Alaska Board of Public Accountancy

Date: 2/8/21