## Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation Division of Professional Regulation

## Illinois Public Accountant Registration and Licensure Committee Business Meeting

February 25, 2021

Time: 11:16 a.m. Adjourn 12:34 p.m. (Franklin/Martin)

Location: Web-Ex Conference Call

Committee Members Present: Dawn Carlson, CPA, Chairperson

Richard Franklin, CPA, Member

Cheryl Martin, Member Phillip Austin, CPA, Member Enrique Lopez, CPA, Member

Committee Members Absent: Andrea Wright, CPA, Member

Ronald Spears, Public Member

Staff Present: Chau Nguyen, Legal Counsel

Jim Koehl, Board Liaison

Guests: Todd Shapiro, CPA Society

Russ Friedewald, Board of Examiners

Cynthia Hawkins Luis Plascencia

Topics: Discussion: Action:

Minutes Minutes for June 25, 2019 Minutes for June 25, 2019 held until next meeting.

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New Members Andrea Wright, CPA

Enrique Lopez, CPA

Ronald Spears, Public Member

Mr Lopez provided a

summary of his work

experience.

Ms Wright was just appointed but could not

attend.

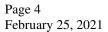
Mr Spears could not make

the meeting.

Old Business None

Enforcement Report	Mr Koehl provided a copy of the report to the members to review.
	He provided an overview of the report.
CPA Society	Mr Shapiro noted that legislation in place to change who can sit for the exam, now need 150 hours.
	There about 40 states that allow to sit at 120 hours with a bachelors degree and 30 hours. This is an opportunity to sit sooner. This is effective 1/1/2023. Mr Nguyen noted that DPR has no issues where Rules will need to be in place.
Board of Examiners	Mr Friedewald discussed the 150/120 hours scenario.
Great Lakes Regional Conference Call	Chairperson Carlson provided an update on the quarterly Great Lakes Regional Conference Call.
Waiver of CE Requirement	Martin/Franklin moved to go into closed session pursuant to Sections 2(c)(4) and (15) of the Open Meetings Act. Motion carried. Roll call.  Subsequent to the motion a roll call was held and the following members
	CPA Society  Board of Examiners  Great Lakes Regional Conference Call

Closed Session (con't)		Carlson-yes Franklin-yes Martin-yes Lopez-yes Austin-yes
		Those voting yes constituted a majority of the quorum of the members of the Board. The session closed at 11:53 a.m.
		Franklin/Austin moved to come out of closed session at 12:25 p.m. Motion carried. Roll call.
	sion be approved (Martin/Austin). Motion commain closed (Austin/Franklin). Motion of	
Board Chairperson Time		Chairperson Carlson provided a summary of the upcoming NASBA meetings.
Board Liaison Time	Next meeting dates	The next meeting is scheduled for June 29, 2021.
	Legal Counsel	It was noted that Mr Nguyen will be moving to a new job with another agency as of April 1, 2021. The Committee was grateful for the guidance he did provide.
Adjournment		Franklin/Martin moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:34 pm. Motion carried.



## **Exceptions and Comments**

Deliberations-Let it be noted for the record that the Director's decision regarding disciplinary matters is withheld from the minutes and rendered at the time the Board presents their Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendations.