

**Illinois Board of Examiners (ILBOE) Meeting
Board Minutes- April 28, 2022**

Members Present: Brian Whitlock, Chair, CPA, Annette O'Connor, Vice-Chair, CPA; Martrice Caldwell, CPA; Bradley Danton, J.D.; Thomas Homer, JD, CFP; Sook Lee, CPA; Luis Plascencia, CPA; Maria de J. Prado, CPA; Leilani Rodrigo, CPA; Rose Ann Abraham, CPA

Absent: Amanda Gavin

Staff: Russ Friedewald, Executive Director
Carlarta Ratchford, Assistant Director of Evaluation Services
Lianne Mace, Assistant Director of Certification

Guests: Marty Green, Vice President for Government Relations, Illinois CPA Society

Call to Order

Chairman Whitlock called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM.

1. Approval of Minutes

ACTION Minutes from the February 3, 2022 board meeting were approved by unanimous voice vote.

2. Report of the Chair

Mr. Whitlock encouraged members to attend the Eastern Regional Meeting June 27-29, 2022.

3. Report of the Executive Director-Mr. Russ Friedewald

a. Mr. Friedewald reported on the 1Q22 score report and asked the members to sign the signature page.

ACTION b. Mr. Friedewald requested that the Board vote on the amended rules recommended by the Education Committee. Mr. Plascencia made a motion that, in conjunction with the new rule to sit at 120 SCH, candidates can be approved to sit with 15 SCH of Accounting including one class in Audit and one class in Tax, and 12 SCH of Business. The motion was seconded by Ms. Caldwell and unanimously approved.

b. Mr. Friedewald presented the diagnostic report for the Board newsletter.

c. Mr. Friedewald announced the names of the Illinois candidates who won the Elijah Watts Sells Award.

d. Mr. Friedewald reported that the annual Pen testing will be conducted in May.

e. Mr. Friedewald confirmed that the annual Executive Director's Conference was informative. Lianne Mace reported on presentations given by the Center for Audit

ACTION

Quality and the state of Texas regarding pipeline and equity, inclusion, and diversity efforts.

- e. Mr. Friedewald proposed holding an Educator's Conference next Spring, preferably in April, 2023. Ms. Abraham motioned to accept that proposal, and it was seconded by Ms. Caldwell. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.
- f. Mr. Friedewald directed attention to the Board Roster, noting that no members were rolling off until next year.
- g. Mr. Friedewald guided the Board on accurately completing a travel reimbursement form.
- h. Mr. Friedewald assured the Board that the University of Illinois accounting review courses adhere to the Administrative Rules.

4. Presentation by Mr. Marty Green, VP, Government Relations

Mr. Green reported that the Illinois CPA Society Board Chair has appointed a committee to work on issues pertaining to the sunset of the Illinois Public Accounting Act in 2024.

ILBOE COMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE REPORTS

5. Administrative Committee- Maria de J. Prado

Mr. Whitlock directed this committee to write a charter.

6. Candidacy Committee- Martrice Caldwell

Ms. Caldwell reported there have been 8 appeals for credit extensions during 1Q22.

7. Education Advisory Task Force- Luis Plascencia

Vote taken on committee's advice as above.

8. Executive Committee- Brian Whitlock

The committee reviewed the annual report.

9. Finance Committee- Brian Whitlock

Mr. Whitlock noted the reduced number of candidates taking the CPA Exam.

10. Strategic Planning- Thomas Homer

No report.

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11. Bylaws Committee- Thomas Homer

No report.

12. CPE Committee- Amanda Gavin

No report.

13. Diversity Committee- Marie Prado/ Rose Ann Abraham/ Martrice Caldwell

No report.

14. Education Committee- Luis Plascencia/ Russ Friedewald

No report.

Unfinished Business-

None

New Business-

None

Mr. Whitlock asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Plascencia motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1:37.