Minutes of the South Carolina Board of Accountancy Wednesday, August 23, 2006, at 10:00 AM in Room 201-03 (Regulation Meeting) Thursday, August 24, 2006, at 9:00 AM in Room 108 (Board Meeting) Synergy Office Park, Kingstreee Building, 110 Centerview Drive Columbia, South Carolina

Charles L. Talbert, III, CPA, Chairman, called the Board Meeting of the South Carolina Board of Accountancy to order on August 24, 2006, at 9:00 a.m., with a quorum present. Other Board members present were Donald H. Burkett, CPA, Vice-Chairman, Bobby R Creech, Jr., CPA, Mark T Hobbs, CPA, Jamison W. Hinds, Esq., H. McRoy Skipper, Jr, CPA, Wendell Lunsford, Accounting Practitioner, and Joyce Green, Public Member.

Staff members participating during the meeting included: Doris E. Cubitt, Administrator, and Michael Teague, Administrative Assistant.

The Chairman announced the meeting was being held in accordance with section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act by notice mailed to The State Newspaper, Associated Press, WIS-TV and all other requesting persons, organizations, or news media. In addition, notice was posted on the bulletin board at the main entrance of the Kingstree Building.

A moment of silence was observed after which Charles Talbert led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- 1. On motion by Mark Hobbs, seconded by Jamison Hinds, and unanimously passed, an agenda was adopted for the meeting.
- 2. On motion by Donald Burkett, seconded by Bobby Creech, and unanimously passed, the minutes of the meeting held on June 28, 2006 were approved.
- 3. Executive Session:
 - On motion by McRoy Skipper, seconded by Mark Hobbs, and unanimously passed, the Board went into executive session to discuss the disciplinary process. Upon coming out of executive session on motion by Charles Talbert, seconded by Mark Hobbs, and unanimously passed, the Chairman announced that no vote had been taken
- 4. Complaint & Investigative Activity:

Mr Brett Sims briefed the complaint and dismissal reports to the Board.

- (A) Consent agreements and other special matters:
 - Patrick M. Erwin, CPA #2580 Case #2006-02. On motion by Donald Burkett, seconded by Jamison Hinds, and unanimously passed the consent order was approved as presented. A copy is attached to these minutes and will be made part of the public record.
- (B) The list of new complaints was presented and received as information by the Board.

(C) The following cases were approved for dismissal on motion by Mark Hobbs, seconded by Donald Burkett, and unanimously passed: Case No. 2005-36, 2006-11, 2006-16.

5. Information Update

- A. Chairman's remarks: September 6th & 7th are working days for regulations, hoping to finish on the 6th. September 26th meeting has been cancelled. The October 26th Board Meeting was changed to October 18th. NASBA meeting is form October 29th through November 1st. November 16th is set aside as a hearing date if needed, and December 7th is a regular Board Meeting.
- B. There were no advisory opinions.
- C. There was no legislative update.
- D. The Administrator's report was received as information and contained the following:
 - (1) NASBA meeting is in Atlanta from October 29 November 1.
 - (2) If an individual is licensed as a CPA in another jurisdiction and their principal place of business is outside of SC, but are providing services to SC clients; Can we register them for a Practice Privilege registration regardless whether their licensing state is substantially equivalent? The Board determined that we can.
- E. The Financial Report was received as information.
- 7. Old Business. There was no old business
- 8. New Business

Regulation/Legislative Committee

- A. Peer Review Committee: Mark Hobbs
 - (1) Have the Administrative staff draft up a letter requesting the Resident Manager of each licensed firm to indicate whether or not they are providing services which precludes them to participate in a Peer Review program, and if they are, supply us with a copy of the Peer Review Report, Letter of Comments, Letter of Response and a copy of the AICPA's Letter of Acceptance within the next 30 days.

(2) Since we are partnering with the SC Association of CPA's to manage the Peer Review program we need to have a formal contract with them before we can move forward.

Parker Boulware (Procurement Office) suggested to submit a request as an intent to sole source the Peer Review program to SCACPA under the SC Business Opportunity program.

On motion by Bobby Creech, seconded by Mark Hobbs, and unanimously passed, to move forward with the request to sole source as briefed.

- B. Report of Education/Experience Committee: Bobby Creech
 - (1) On motion by Donald Burkett, seconded by Joyce Green, and unanimously passed, to accept Ms Allen's teaching experience in order to license.
 - (2) On motion by Bobby Creech, seconded by Jamison Hinds, and unanimously passed, to decline Ms Strickler's teaching experience due to her teaching only at a 2 year degree level.
 - (3) It is the sense of the Board to inform Mr Robbins' that the experience (where the supervisor is in Texas and the employee is in South Carolina) would probably be granted, but it would have to be on a case-by-case basis.
 - (4) A ruling on Ms Janice Furtick's experience is postponed until further information has been received.
- C. Report of CPE Committee: Bobby Creech
- D. Report of Examination/CBT Committee: H. McRoy Skipper

On motion by McRoy Skipper, seconded by Jamison Hinds, and unanimously passed, to accept Mr Warren Rogers application to sit as a South Carolina Candidate for the CPA Exam.

- E. Other Professional Issues Committee: H. McRoy Skipper
 - (1) Inform sole practitioners through our newsletters and SCACPA's newsletters that they need to put together a safeguarding procedure in regards to client files when a licensee is incapacitated, disappears, or dies.
 - (2) Consider granting the use of the CPA monogram by CPA's that are holding out primarily as a broker or a lawyer and the

- CPA credential is incidental to the primary function. The Board determined to allow it usage.
- F. Report of Qualification for Licensure Committee: Jamison Hinds
 - (1) On motion by Jamison Hinds, seconded by Wendell Lunsford and unanimously passed, the exam grades for the April/May testing window were reviewed and accepted by the Board.
 - (2) On motion by Jamison Hinds, seconded by Donald Burkett, seven aye's and one opposed, passed, the CPA Certificates issued from April 28 through August 24, 2006, were approved. A copy of the list is attached to these minutes.
 - (3) On motion by Jamison Hinds, seconded by Donald Burkett, and unanimously passed to accept Mr John Wilson's application for Reciprocity registration.
 - (4) On motion by Jamison Hinds, seconded by McRoy Skipper, discussion was made to license the individual contingent upon the Pardon's approval. A Call to Question was introduced by Mark Hobbs, seven aye's and one opposed, passed, to accept Mr Christopher Rushford's application for licensure.
- G. Report of Character and Fitness Committee: Jamison Hinds
 No character and fitness issues.
- 9. An overview of the Board Web Site was conducted.
- 10. On motion by Jamison Hinds, seconded by Mark Hobbs, and unanimously passed the meeting was adjourned at 11:46pm by the Chairman.
- 11. The next meeting dates are as follows:

For the year 2006: September – No Meeting; October 26, Room 108; November – No Meeting; December 7, Room 108.

Members are to reserve the afternoon before each meeting in the event a hearing is scheduled.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Cubitt, Administrator

Approved at the October 18, 2006 Board Meeting.

Charles L. Talbert, III, CPA, Chairman

Jamison W. Hinds, Esq, Secretary