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Honorable Eddie B. Calvo
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Dear Governor Calvo:

In compliance with Public Law 31-233, Chapter 8, Title 5GCA, Section 38, §8113.1, attached is an electronic copy of minutes, agenda and other attachments to our Board meeting held on February 16, 2017.

Should you have any questions, please call us at 647-0813 or email to: execdir@guamboa.org.

Sincerely,

Dave N. Sanford
Executive Director

Attachment: Electronic copy of February 16, 2017 Meeting

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GUAM BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

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Board Meeting – February 16, 2017

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GUAM BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

335 S. Marine Corps Drive, Suite 101, Tamuning, GU 96913

MINUTES OF MEETING

January 19, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 4:19 p.m. by Chairman John Onedera. The meeting was held in the GBA Conference Room.

Members Present:	John Onedera, Chairman Francis Quinto Baba, Secretary-Treasurer Dafne Shimizu, Asst. Secretary-Treasurer Jennie Chiu, Member
Excused Absences:	Todd Smith, Vice Chairman John P. Camacho, Ex-Officio Member
Also Present:	Dave Sanford, Executive Director Michele B. Santos, Asst. Executive Director Arleen Gay, Board Secretary

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Jennie Chiu and seconded by Francis Quinto Baba to approve the Board minutes of December 15, 2016. There being no further discussion or objections, the motion carried.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Endowment Fund – Standing Committee Update: The Raymond James Account Summary for UOGEF – Board of Accountancy, for the period November 30 - December 30, 2016, showed an ending balance of $1,169,122.00, 7.7% annualized return YTD and resulting in 5.4% annualized since the takeover in November of 2015. Dave Sanford told the members we were presently holding our own and with the additional contribution of $100,000 to be made, the account would go up to $1,269M.

The Executive Director reported on the recent Standing Committee meeting held on January 13th, announcing two new additions to the Committee: James Whitt, incoming president of the Guam Society of CPAs, and Yuki Hechanova, incoming president of the Association of Government Accountants. He said discussion was had on the educational requirements for CPAs and UOG staff agreed that all the requirements that are in the rules today are in existence in their degree program. Also discussed was how we could work towards having an accounting program with focus more on upper level accounting in the

PMBA program so that hopefully by the time a student graduates from that program, they would be qualified with the 150 hours and have integrated to taking the exam along the way with the new 18 month provision so they would want to be a CPA. They would then be ready and fully qualified to be licensed. The 150 requirement would not begin until December of 2021.

Also discussed at the meeting was bringing in professors for a semester versus summer sessions. Dr. Santos said the two professors from last summer had indicated a wish to return and that they were working on the details. It was agreed that there needed to be improvement on the process and logistics of the accommodations for the visiting professors. The possibility of leasing facilities nearer more readily available and more convenient amenities was discussed. It was agreed that the two original professors would be brought back to teach courses for the upcoming summer.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Requests for Approval:

- **CPA Exam Applications:** Motion was made by Jennie Chiu and seconded by Francis Quinto Baba to approve the CPA Exam Applications for the month of December, as presented. There being no further discussion or objections, the motion carried.

- **Applications for CPA Initial Certification and License to Practice:** Motion was made by Jennie Chiu and seconded by Francis Quinto Baba to approve the Applications for Initial Certification and License to Practice, with one conditional approval pending receipt of the original evaluation for Applicant No. 3: Mr. Moustafa Ahmed Mansour Ahmed. There being no further discussion or objections, the motion carried. (Note: One Becker student applied for licensure and was recommended for approval.)

- **Licensure Applicant Lacking Taxation Course:** Mr. Jamil Elias Adas had passed all four sections in New Hampshire but was unable to be licensed in that jurisdiction and had transferred his grades to Guam. At the time of the acceptance of his grades and transfer, GBOA had not been aware that he lacked one required educational course and upon review of his application, it was discovered that he lacked a taxation course. When notified, Mr. Adas asked that he be able to take the taxation course and be licensed on Guam upon his completion of taking the course. Dave Sanford explained that under the new law with individual mobility and under substantial equivalency, if Mr. Adas were to be licensed in New Hampshire and did request to transfer to Guam, he would be accepted without the required taxation course. Because Mr. Adas was willing to take the required taxation course and it was acceptable for him to apply for inactive license instead of his requested active license, the Board members present agreed, as it falls under their

discretion, to allow him to take the taxation course from an accredited institution and upon completion, grant him a license.

- **GRADES – October/November Window:** Motion was made by Jennie Chiu and seconded by Dafne Shimizu to approve the grades for the October/November window. There being no further discussion or objections, the motion carried.

V. GENERAL DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Abitus Visit to Guam**: Discussion was had on the recent visit from Abitus representatives and their concerns with the new law changes to the educational requirements required to be licensed on Guam. Abitus concerns were that with the new educational requirement changes and the allowing of a candidate to sit with no education, but given the 18 months to complete their educational requirements, that certain unscrupulous promoters will then promote the fact that one can sit for the exam without education and obtain their degree within the 18 month period. They take their review course, pass the exam, or not, and the promoter gets his money. Some candidates will then use their NASBA score notices which states that they have passed the exam, and use that to obtain a position with the passing score notice used as an indication that they have passed and are licensed, when in fact, while they may have passed the exam, they have not as yet gotten the required education to be eligible to apply for a license.

  The Executive Director said the new provision was a rule and not a law and could be changed through the Administrative Adjudication Act process. With the question of how to stop review course providers from promoting Guam as a single jurisdiction where one can take the exam without any education whatsoever, the possibility of changing the exam application or creating an additional exam application that would state proof would have to be provided showing that one is enrolled or participating in an education program that is designed to be completed within the allowed 18 month period, was agreed upon.

  Dave Sanford also told the members that he had contacted Pat Hartman, NASBA Director of Client Services, and she had indicated that the language or wording in their score notice letter to a candidate could be changed to clarify that while a passing score did indicate that one had passed, the credit granting process would be held back, subject to completion of their educational requirements. He said he would work on making the changes to the application and work with Pat Hartman to revise their score notice letter. (Pls note, at this time, Board member Francis Baba exits the meeting.)

- **FY 2018 Recommended Budget:** The only change to the recommended FY2018 Budget that was discussed at the previous meeting, was the EF contribution being increased from $200,000 to $300.000. (Revenues: $822,000; Expenditures: $782,000) Motion was made by Dafne Shimizu and seconded by Jennie Chiu to approve the recommended FY 2018 GBOA Budget. There being no further discussion or objections, the motion carried.

- Also discussed at this time was the GBOA financial report for the month of December, FY 2017, with the Executive Director predicting that we would come out about $60,000 ahead of the budget due to the high volume of candidates sitting before the new exam in April. The Guam Computer Testing Center statistics indicated a 30% increase in exams administered, with 5% overall for the year. He attributed the increase to the built-up volume of candidates sitting before the new exam begins in April of 2017.

- **Evolution of Peer Review Administration - Revised Discussion Paper:** This discussion paper provides an alternative proposal for administration to increase the consistency, efficiency, and effectiveness of the AICPA Peer Review Program. After carefully considering all responses they had received on the original proposal, they said they had made significant revisions and were now seeking feedback and comments on the new proposal to be submitted by the end of June, 2017. The Executive Director reviewed with the members highlighted topics on the proposed benchmark model and important issues, along with failure consequences.

- **Candidate Care Concerns 16Q4:** The Executive Director went over the highlights of the Candidate Care Concerns report that showed environment issues up while prometric issues were lower but saying by and large, there were not a lot of difference in the reporting. There was a slight delay in the release of some scores for the BEC section due to the larger than usual number of exams that required a second reading to ensure accuracy in the results. There continued to be dissatisfaction expressed by candidates regarding the use of the note boards and markers rather than paper and pencils during the exam, but if a candidate contacted the Candidate Care Concerns Department a couple of weeks prior to their scheduled sitting, they would be accommodated. Also, notice was given that sample tests were available on the AICPA website.

- **NASBA's Legislative E-News:** NASBA's inaugural edition of Legislative E-News included the announcement of Guam adopting individual mobility with the Governor's signing of P.L. 33-193.

- **CPA Exam Score Release Schedule:** NASBA announced a score release timeline for January/February (Q1) and April/May Q2 windows for candidates who will be experiencing their first time in taking the new exam.

- **Question of Deportation**: A candidate who had passed all sections in Delaware in 2009 had asked the question of whether she could apply to be licensed in Guam even though she had been deported due to an invalid visa. She explained that she had come to the U.S. going through a job recruiter and was apparently 'duped' by the recruiter and then deported to India because she had overstayed her visa. Dave Sanford said that he had posed this question to NASBA's Pat Hartman and the response was that 99% of jurisdictions polled for comment had said that they would not deny her application for licensure because of the reason for her deportation being an invalid visa. The members present also agreed.

- **GBOA Office Space Lease Agreement**: The lease for office space expires at the end of April and Chairman John Onedera was nominated to be in charge of the RFP.

- **Election of Officers**: It was agreed by all members present to keep the officers at status quo.

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further discussion, motion was made by Jennie Chiu and seconded by Dafne Shimizu to adjourn the meeting 6:23 p.m. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Arleen E. Gay
Recording Secretary

	JURIS ID	APP REC'D	AUD	BEC	FAR	REG	Last Name	First Name	State/Country
1	GU14045631	1/17/2017				x	Ahmed	Ehab	Kuwait
2	GU16097292	1/25/2017			x		Al Mhimidi	Suhel	Saudi Arabia
3	GU17017728	1/6/2017	x	x	x	x	Alanazi	Essa	Saudi Arabia
4	GU17017696	1/10/2017	x	x	x	x	Alcoran	Von Jaylarr	Guam
5	GU15036114	1/4/2017	x	x			Alkamali	Aisha	U.A.E.
6	GU15076340	1/27/2017				x	Andrike	Kaili Mae	Guam
7	GU17017721	1/24/2017	x	x	x	x	Ansari	Mohammad Junaid	India
8	GU17017679	1/4/2017	x	x	x	x	Bai	Xueyan	China
9	GU17017739	1/30/2017		x		x	Bajaj	Hardik	New York
10	GU17027746	1/30/2017		x			Bedir Ahmed	Tamer Mahmoud	Saudi Arabia
11	GU15066271	1/5/2017				x	Bian	Yihui	China
12	GU16067051	1/23/2017		x			Buccat	Yukari	Guam
13	GU16046889	1/25/2017		x			Chan	Shing Bong	Hong Kong
14	GU17017726	1/23/2017				x	Chan	Siu Wai	New York
15	GU15116479	1/10/2017	x	x			Chang	Fung Shan	Hong Kong
16	GU15106501	1/9/2017	x			x	Chang	Shen-Ping	Taiwan
17	GU17017723	1/24/2017		x	x		Chang	Nai-Yuen	Taiwan
18	GU16067010	1/17/2017	x			x	Chang	Ju-Hsien	Virginia
19	GU17017730	1/17/2017	x	x	x	x	Chen	Lu-Ting	Illinois
20	Initial	1/20/2017	x	x			Chen	Yi-Wen	Indiana
21	GU13085289	1/17/2017	x	x	x	x	Chen	Mei-Fang	Taiwan
22	GU16067012	1/30/2017	x			x	Chen	Yi-Fang	Taiwan
23	GU17017733	1/23/2017	x	x	x	x	Cheng	Kim Sing	China
24	GU17017710	1/17/2017	x	x		x	Cheng	Ting-Yin	Taiwan
25	GU17017727	1/23/2017	x	x			Cheng	Hsuan-Lung	Taiwan
26	GU17017725	1/23/2017	x	x	x	x	Chou	Po-Yu	Illinois
27	GU14055707	1/16/2017		x	x		Chou	Ying-Shan	New Jersey
28	Initial	1/24/2017	x	x	x	x	Chuang	Chen-Hua	Taiwan
29	GU17017690	1/6/2017	x	x			Dai	Yu	China
30	GU17017714	1/19/2017	x		x		Daoud	Sabry	Saudi Arabia
31	GU17017685	1/9/2017	x	x	x	x	Dayao	Erwin	Guam
32	GU17017674	1/5/2017	x	x	x	x	Dhameja	Annu	India
33	Initial	1/30/2017	x	x	x	x	Dong	Wen	China
34	GU15106518	1/3/2017	x				Gandhi	Meenakshi	India
35	GU16127615	1/9/2017	x	x			Geetha Gopi	Doshikar	Florida
36	GU15066285	1/10/2017	x	x			Giducos	Donita	Guam
37	GU16077093	1/5/2017	x		x		Guan	Yanchao	China
38	GU1707732	1/17/2017		x	x		Guan	Yongxing	China
39	GU17017683	1/6/2017		x	x		Gudmalin	Rudd	Guam
40	GU10064026	1/18/2017		x	x	x	Guo	Wenting	Georgia
41	GU17017719	1/17/2017		x			Han	Yixuan	Massachusetts
42	GU16107420	1/9/2017			x		Hassan	Hany	Egypt
43	GU16026680	1/10/2017	x	x		x	Hatakeyama	Hirohiko	Japan
44	GU12034618	1/4/2017				x	Hayashi	Jin	Japan
45	GU14095812	1/4/2017			x	x	Hirabayashi	Kazuya	Japan
46	GU16056946	1/19/2017		x	x		Hiromi	Haruna	Japan
47	GU13035066	1/10/2017		x			Horikawa	Hiroyoshi	Japan
48	GU14045636	1/6/2017	x	x			Hsieh	Hsuan	Taiwan
49	GU15066272	1/17/2017		x		x	Hu	Jing	China
50	GU16036778	1/12/2017	x				Huang	Jiyue	China
51	GU17017697	1/12/2017		x			Huang	Ying-Chi	Illinois
52	GU17017698	1/11/2017		x			Huang	Zhitian	Maryland
53	GU13125464	1/5/2017	x		x		Iijima	Hideyuki	Japan
54	GU17027749	1/30/2017				x	Iriarte	Bryan	Guam
55	GU14025531	1/5/2017			x		Izumi	Hirokazu	Japan

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56	GU16046911	1/16/2017				x	Jama	Ahmed	U.A.E.
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58	GU17017673	1/5/2017			x	x	Joshi	Ashutosh	India
59	GU14025523	1/24/2017	x		x		Kadono	Kozo	Japan
60	GU16056924	1/24/2017			x		Kanazawa	Akihiro	Japan
61	GU16026696	1/9/2017	x				Kano	Ryunosuke	Japan
62	GU16056936	1/19/2017				x	Kapadia	Alaffiya	U.A.E.
63	GU17017736	1/31/2017	x	x	x	x	Kasturi Rengarajan	Divya	India
64	GU17017687	1/9/2017	x	x	x	x	Kaur	Manpreet	India
65	GU16097286	1/4/2017	x				Khalil	Muhammad	Egypt
66	GU16067002	1/17/2017	x			x	Khatab	Mohamed	Kuwait
67	GU06092666	1/11/2017		x		x	Kim	Jung Hwa	Guam
68	GU14095841	1/3/2017			x		Komiyama	Yuta	New York
69	GU17017670	1/3/2017	x	x	x	x	Kothawade	Ashwini	India
70	GU07032748	1/27/2017		x			Kubode	Eri	Japan
71	GU12054706	1/24/2017				x	Kuniyoshi	Takayuki	Japan
72	GU17017709	1/17/2017	x	x	x	x	Kuo	Mei-Lin	California
73	GU14055688	1/10/2017		x			Kuo	Hisn-Hsin	Taiwan
74	GU17017724	1/24/2017		x	x	x	Kuo	Hsiao-Ying	Texas
75	GU15066251	1/17/2017			x		Kuruvilla	Don Martin	Kuwait
76	GU15106506	1/3/2017	x	x	x	x	Lai	Yiu Lun	Hong Kong
77	Initial	1/23/2017		x	x		Lee	Ting-Hao	Taiwan
78	GU16087171	1/12/2017		x	x		Li	Pin	China
79	GU16066986	1/5/2017				x	Li	Danyang	Illinois
80	GU17027740	1/30/2017		x		x	Li	Silei	Indiana
81	GU17027767	1/25/2017		x			Li	Jianqiang	Indiana
82	GU15116554	1/30/2017		x	x		Li	Lu	Japan
83	GU16056967	1/17/2017		x		x	Li	Xintong	Ohio
84	GU17017711	1/17/2017	x	x	x	x	Liang	Yuanyuan	Massachusetts
85	GU16026705	1/10/2017		x	x		Liao	I-Ju	Taiwan
86	GU17017678	1/4/2017	x	x	x	x	Lu	Hsin-Yi	Taiwan
87	GU17017677	1/4/2017	x	x	x	x	Luo	Jun	Canada
88	GU17017708	1/17/2017	x	x	x	x	Mahadevan	Vidhya	India
89	GU17017671	1/3/2017		x			Maheshwari	Satya	India
90	GU07022722	1/19/2017	x	x	x	x	Mariano	Alma	Guam
91	GU17017695	1/12/2017		x	x		Mehta	Viraj Dharmesh	India
92	GU16097284	1/10/2017	x				Minami	Mitsunori	Japan
93	GU14105862	1/20/2017	x		x		Miyakawa	Maya	Japan
94	GU17017680	1/9/2017		x			Mohamed	Mahmoud	Saudi Arabia
95	GU15026065	1/5/2017	x			x	Nagae	Kenji	Japan
96	GU17017737	1/30/2017	x	x			Nakrani	Mehulkumar	India
97	GU14125946	1/6/2017				x	Ng	Soi Han	Colorado
98	GU07042774	1/3/2017	x			x	Okada	Kaori	New York
99	GU16016609	1/10/2017	x	x			Okita	Yosuke	Japan
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101	GU16097274	1/18/2017	x	x			Orpe	Chinmay	India
102	GU12114899	1/5/2017				x	Oyama	Kentaro	Japan
103	GU16087190	1/5/2017		x			Pahwa	Manisha	India
104	GU16046862	1/24/2017		x		x	Pan	Tzu-Chuan	Taiwan
105	GU17017705	1/16/2017	x	x	x	x	Patel	Harsh Girish	India
106	GU17027748	1/30/2017		x		x	Pathak	Anu Ashwin	California
107	GU16016638	1/23/2017	x			x	Peng	Ta-Chun	Taiwan
108	GU17017720	1/17/2017		x			Radhakrishnan Nair	Santhoshkumar	U.A.E.
109	GU17017734	1/25/2017			x	x	Rathi	Madhav	India
110	GU16026729	1/12/2017		x			Roberto	Jared	Guam

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111	GU16026712	1/13/2017		x			Sabra	Waleed	Qatar
112	GU17017707	1/17/2017	x	x	x	x	Saburi	Naoko	Pennsylvania
113	GU17017706	1/17/2017		x			Sadanandan	Prasanna Kumar	U.A.E.
114	GU16067027	1/13/2017			x	x	Sanjeevi	Anbarasan	U.A.E.
115	GU16036758	1/13/2017	x		x		Sasaguri	Seigo	Japan
116	GU12024586	1/13/2017	x				Sato	Nami	Japan
117	GU17017669	1/4/2017		x			Schwab	Marites	Guam
118	GU10043927	1/17/2017	x	x			Sekiguchi	Akemi	Japan
119	GU14045623	1/5/2017			x		Senoo	Kazuho	Japan
120	GU17017676	1/4/2017	x	x	x	x	Shah	Harshil	India
121	GU17017682	1/5/2017	x	x	x	x	Shah	Nilay	India
122	GU17017738	1/30/2017		x	x		Shah	Hemadri	India
123	GU17027741	1/27/2017	x	x	x	x	Shah	Raj Pankajbhai	India
124	GU17027744	1/30/2017	x	x	x	x	Shah	Priyank Parimal	India
125	GU17027760	1/19/2017	x			x	Shah	Mitulkumar	India
126	GU15116572	1/31/2017			x		Shastri	Kavita Anand	Texas
127	GU17017700	1/9/2017		x	x		Shen	Jin	China
128	GU17017722	1/24/2017	x	x	x		Shen	Yixiao	China
129	GU16087249	1/17/2017	x	x			Shikari	Mohammed	U.A.E.
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131	GU17017713	1/19/2017	x	x	x	x	Sodhi	Neha	India
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134	GU07062814	1/18/2017	x				Suwa	Takaya	Japan
135	GU16117492	1/17/2017	x		x		Taima	Shunsuke	Japan
136	GU16026684	1/27/2017		x			Takemoto	Shoma	Japan
137	GU15056182	1/9/2017	x				Tanaami	Daisuke	Japan
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139	GU16077151	1/4/2017			x		Teraura	Yoshiaki	Japan
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143	GU14115914	1/3/2017	x			x	Tsai	Chun-Li	Taiwan
144	GU17017716	1/18/2017			x		Uemura	Takayuki	Japan
145	GU15116550	1/3/2017	x	x			Umehara Studden	Sachiko	United Kingdom
146	GU16016637	1/10/2017		x	x	x	Valenzuela	Ritchell	Guam
147	GU16046856	1/16/2017	x	x		x	Venkatesh Poyyamani	Balaji	Indonesia
148	GU16097270	1/23/2017			x		Villanueva	John Ivan	U.A.E.
149	GU17017699	1/12/2017	x	x			Waghdhare	Atul Arun	U.A.E.
150	GU16056948	1/4/2017				x	Wakizaka	Mayumi	Singapore
151	GU16026735	1/11/2017		x		x	Wu	Qiying	China
152	GU16097275	1/12/2017				x	Wu	Xuning	China
153	GU17017675	1/6/2017	x	x	x	x	Wu	Changhong	Japan
154	GU16056925	1/9/2017	x		x		Wu	Jiajia	Maryland
155	GU16046907	1/23/2017			x	x	Wu	Tzu-Ying	Taiwan
156	GU15126607	1/17/2017	x	x			Xi	Qiuwan	New York
157	GU16107408	1/9/2017		x			Xu	Jingyi	Japan
158	GU13075236	1/13/2017		x	x		Yamaguchi	Tomohiro	Japan
159	GU17017681	1/9/2017		x			Yang	Limin	China
160	GU15106525	1/4/2017	x	x	x	x	Yang	Bokai	China
161	GU16026701	1/11/2017		x		x	Yang	Xin	China
162	GU15096457	1/16/2017	x	x	x	x	Zhang	Xinyi	China
163	GU17017704	1/18/2017		x		x	Zhang	Wenxu	China
164	GU16046887	1/9/2017		x	x		Zhang	Yifan	Illinois
165	GU17017718	1/20/2017		x			Zhao	Shi Han	Taiwan

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166	GU17017729	1/23/2017	x	x	x	x	Zhong	Xuefei	Texas
167	GU17017686	1/9/2017				x	Zhou	Alisa	Guam
168	GU17017735	1/31/2017	x					Anju	India
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Guam Board of Accountancy
Applications for Initial Certification and License to Practice
Board Meeting of February 16, 2017

	Name of Applicant	Application for	Employer/period	Schools Attended	Experience	U.S. CPA Verifying Jurisdiction Status	Other licenses held	Recommendation
1	Ms. Man Sze Ho Hong Kong	Cert # 887 Reinstatement Active - Non Attest	Kumon (Discovery Bay) EOU Centre 2/2012 to present				None	Approval -license lapsed since 2014. CPE completed
2	Mr. Masayuki Yuasa Japan	Cert # 379 Reinstatement Inactive	Hitachi Capital Corp 8/1/2005 to present The Long Term Credit Bank of Japan 4/1/1981 to 7/31/2005				None	Approval
3	Mr. Amr Mohamed Abdelmoniem Cairo, Egypt	Init Cert LTP Active - Attest	PricewaterhouseCoopers Saudi Arabia 3/2016 to present KPMG Lower Gulf 1/2015 to 2/2016 KPMG Egypt 2/2013 to 12/2014	Ain Shams University BA	100% Audit/Attest Services	Fawzi Aburass New Hampshire Good Standing Anass M. Gouda Colorado Good Standing	None	Approval
4	Mr. Jamil Wajih Hassan Al-Atrash United Arab Emirates	Init Cert LTP Active - Attest	Wajih Al-Atrash Audit Bureau 12/2014 to present	German Jordanian Univ BS	90% Audit/Attest Services 10% Consulting Services	Jamil Yousef Al-Atrash Colorado Good Standing	None	Approval
5	Ms. Shih-Ting Chen Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Active - Attest	Synnex Technology International Corp 7/2014 to 10/2016 KPMG Taiwan 9/2012 to 6/2014	National Chung Cheng Univ Tamkang University BA, MBA	80% Audit/Attest Services 20% Tax/Tax Advisory Serv	An-Chih Cheng Guam Good Standing	None	Approval
6	Mr. Li Huang Guangdong, China	Init Cert LTP Active -Attest	Malone Bailey LLP(Texas) 1/2013 to present Beijing Zhongyinhua Tax Accounting Firm 11/2011 to 8/2012	Beijing Institute of Fashion Technology BA	100% Audit/Attest Services	Xiaodong Qin Texas Good Standing	None	Approval
7	Mr. Kai Chong Ao Ieong Macau	Init Cert LTP Active - Attest	CSC & Associados - Sociedade de Auditores 11/2014 to present	National Taipei University BA	100% Audit/Attest Services	Vai Chun Leong Colorado Good Standing	None	Approval
8	Mr. Omar Muhammed S. Samaha Jordan	Init Cert LTP Active - Attest	Ernst & Young LLP Jordan 4/2014 to present	University of Jordan BA	100% Audit/Attest Services	Ahmad Abu Asabeh New Mexico Good Standing	None	Approval

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	Name of Applicant	Application for	Employer/period	Schools Attended	Experience	U.S. CPA Verifying Jurisdiction Status		Other licenses held	Recommendation
9	Ms. Yu Shen Cupertino, CA	Init Cert LTP Active - Attest	Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Shanghai 7/2008 to 12/2015	Shanghai Jioetong University BA	100% Audit/Attest Services	Chen Chen New Hampshire Good Standing		None	Approval
10	Mr. Mohammad Faris M. Allouzi Jordan	Init Cert LTP Active - Non Attest	Ernst & Young , Jordan 4/2010 to present	University of Jordan BA	40% Accounting Services 60% Tax/Tax Advisory Services	Yacoub R. Rabie Washington Good Standing		None	Approval
11	Mr. Esam Nehad M. Almulazem Jordan	Init Cert LTP Active - Non Attest	None presently Al Khalidi Hospital 12/2014 to 10/2015 Grant Thornton Jordan 6/2009 to 11/2014	University of Jordan BA	100% Financial Services	Jeremy Davenport Tennessee Good Standing (NASBA)		None	Approval
12	Mr. Loai Nabil Mitri Bannoura Kuwait	Init Cert LTP Active- Non Attest	Arzan Financial Group 3/2015 to present BDO Al Nisf & Partners 6/2010 to 3/2015	Yarmouk University BA	100% Accounting Services	Rami Mousa Al Kadash New Hampshire Good Standing		None	Approval
13	Mr. Ahmad Daboul Qatar	Init Cert LTP Active - Non Attest	Qatar Gas Operating Co. 2/2011 to present Schlumberger Overseas 2/2008 to 1/2011 Venture Gulf Group Oil & Gas Division 8/2005 to 2/2008	Damaseus University BA	80% Accounting Services 20% Financial Services	Jagdishchandra K. Bhat Guam Good Standing		None	Approval
14	Mr. Gang Jiang Quebec, Canada	Init Cert LTP Active – Non Attest	PRGX Canada Corp 4/2008 to present	Guangxi University BA Capital University of Economics and Business MA	100% Audit/Attest Services	Laura Jean Humbert Colorado Good Standing (NASBA)		None	Approval
15	Ms. Qian Jin Shaanxi, China	Init Cert LTP Active - Non Attest	Mosaic Retail Real Estate Development Co. 6/2014 to present China Housing & Land Development Inc. 6/2010 to 6/2014	Xian International Studies University BA Shanghai University of Finance & Economics	100% Accounting Services	Jing Jin New Hampshire Good Standing		None	Approval
16	Ms. Junko Koya Kyoto, Japan	Init Cert LTP Active - Non Attest	Deloitte & Touche Tohmatsu LLC 6/2007 to 7/2015 Japan-China Economic Assoc 6/2003 to 5/2007	Kobe University BA Syracuse University MA Cal State East Bay	30% Tax/Tax Advisory Serv 70% Management Advis Services	Toyoaki Miwa Guam Good Standing		None	Approval

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17	Mr. Kwong Hwa Lee Hong Kong	Init Cert LTP-Active Non Attest	Sacmi Hong Kong Ltd 1/2008 to present	Univ of Arkansas BA, MBA RIGOS Hong Kong Hong Kong Shue Yan College	20% Accounting Services 50% Financial Services 10% Consulting Skills 20% Management Advisory Services	Stephen Yam Texas Good Standing	None	Approval
18	Mr. Neil Mathew Philip India	Init Cert LTP-Active Non Attest	Deloitte & Touche Assurance & Enterprise Risk Services 8/2012 to present	Loyola College of Commerce BA	100% Audit Attest Services	Kent Francois Virginia Good Standing	None	Approval
19	Ms. Le Sha Shanghai, China	Init Cert LTP-Active Non Attest	VeriSilicon Microelectronics Shanghai 9/2009 to present Ernst & Young Shanghai 9/2005 to 8/2009	Shanghai Jiaotong University BA	100% Accounting Services	Yanxia Shao Maine Good Standing	None	Approval
20	Ms. LianLian Zhang Beijing, China	Init Cert LTP-Active Non Attest	21 Vianet Group Inc. (China) 5/2013 to present Intel(China) Ltd. 9/2011 to 3/2014	Fairleigh Dickinson Univ MA Capital University of Economics & Business BA Northern State University	20% Accounting Services 10% Audit Attest Services 70% Financial Services	Qi Guo Massachusetts Good Standing	None	Approval
21	Mr. Yogeshkumar A. Akhani New Jersey, USA	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Zydus Pharmaceuticals 2/2012 to present Laboratories Combix S.L. 5/2009 to 2/2012	North Gujarat University BA ICAI			None	Approval
22	Ms. Mien-Chin Chao Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Remuch Co. Ltd 9/2015 to present Deloitte & Touche Taiwan 10/2014 to 8/2015	National Taiwan Univ BA			None	Approval
23	Ms. Ming-Han Chan Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	PricewaterhouseCoopers Taiwan 7/2014 to present	National Central University BA University of Texas at Dallas MS			None	Approval
24	Ms. Yueh-Ling Chao Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Academy of the Judiciary 9/2015 to present	National Taiwan University BA, MA			None	Approval

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25	Ms. Yi-Ying Chen Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Jason Yin 2/2013 to present	National Taipei University BA			None	Approval
26	Ms. Wei-Chuan Cheng Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Ernst & Young Taiwan 9/2016 to present	National Taiwan University BA			None	Approval
27	Mr. Shen Chih Chou Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Evotree Consulting Co. 12/2013 to present Yo-Ding Chemical Ltd 3/2012 to 6/2013 PricewaterhouseCoopers Taiwan 10/2009 to 3/2012	National Chengchi University BS			None	Approval
28	Mr. Ming-Hsuan Chuang Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	None	National Chengchi University Tunghai University BA			None	Approval
29	Ms. Huimei Cui Texas, USA	Init Cert LTP Inactive	RT Consults 2/2015 to 1/2017 BDO China Public Accountants 4/2013 to 6/2013 Tianjin Huifong Tax Consulting 6/2012 to 7/2012	Tianjin University BA University of Georgia MA			None	Approval
30	Mr. Jolly Eldho United Arab Emirates	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Jaleel Holdings LLC 7/2001 to present	Mahatma Gandhi University BA ICAI			None	Approval
31	Mr. Ahmed Fawzi Farahat Iraq	Init Cert LTP Inactive	None	Suez Canal University BA			None	Approval
32	Mr. Yo Fujiki Japan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Mitsui Foods 4/2009 to present	Tokyo Metropolitan Univ Cal State East Bay			None	Approval
33	Mr. Tien-Peng Hsu Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Apache Footwear Vietnam 8/2016 to present Quang Viet Enterprise Co. 7/2014 to 12/2015 Timberland Co. Vietnam 7/2013 to 7/2014	Ming Chuan University BA			None	Approval

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34	Mr. Masahiro Iizuka Japan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Taisetsu Law Office 1/2010 to present	Waseda University BA Cal State East Bay			None	Approval
35	Mr. Yuta Kaneshiki Tokyo, Japan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Asurion Japan Holdings 1/2013 to present	Keio University BA Cal State East Bay			None	Approval
36	Mr. Lung Kang Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	PricewaterhouseCoopers 6/1997 to present	State University of New York BS Chinese Culture University			None	Approval
37	Mr. Mitsunori Kasahara Japan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Shinsei Bank Ltd 4/1993 to present	University of Tokyo BA Cal State East Bay			None	Approval
38	Mr. Kota Kasai Japan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	The Boston Consulting Group 11/2016 to present Sumitomo Corporation 4/2008 to 10/2016	Keio University BA Cal State East Bay			None	Approval
39	Mr. Eiji Kubo Japan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Daikin Industries Ltd 4/2009 to present	Waseda University BA Cal State East Bay			None	Approval
40	Ms. Wen-Hsuan Lee Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu 9/2010 to 9/2014	Queen's University BA			None	Approval
41	Mr. Yuan-Chieh Lee Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Taiwan Semiconductors Manufacturing Co. 11/2015 to present	National Taiwan Univ MA National Chengchi Univ BA			None	Approval
42	Ms. Shu-Ping Lin Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Enwise CPAs & Co. 9/2013 to 7/2015 Ernst & Young Taiwan 9/2009 to 8/2010	Tunghai University MBA Tamkang University BA Chinese Culture University			None	Approval

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43	Ms. Ying Tzu Lin Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	None	National Taiwan Univ BA Michigan State Univ			None	Approval
44	Mr. Rahul Mohandas India	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Deloitte & Touche AERS India 6/2015 to present	Mumbai University BA			None	Approval
45	Mr. Yuki Shiroshita Japan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Toyota Tsusho Corp 8/2012 to present Toshiba Corp 4/2006 to 7/2012	Shibaura Institute of Technology BA Cal State East Bay			None	Approval
46	Ms. Ching-Yu Wu Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	KGI Securities 1/2016 to present KEDP CPA Firm 2/2012 to 2/2015 KPMG Taiwan 7/2008 to 6/2011	National Cheng Kung Univ BA Soochow University Chinese Culture University			None	Approval
47	Mr. Mostafa Hassan Zaki Youssef Saudi Arabia	Init Cert LTP Inactive	KPMG Alfozan & Partners Saudi Arabia 4/2016 to present KPMG Hazen Hassan Egypt 3/2013 to 3/2016	Cairo University BA			None	Approval
48	Mr. Ching-Hao Yu Taiwan	Init Cert LTP Inactive	Deloitte & Touche Taiwan 11/2012 to present	National Cheng Kung Univ BA			None	Approval

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- Highlights of the January 2017 Meeting of the Board of Directors
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Only one set of responses should be submitted per Board. Please submit your Board's responses by April 10, 2017. READ MORE

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28 Boards submitted responses to the November - December Focus Questions. The following outlines the responses that were submitted to the Regional Directors. READ MORE

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Draft Model Rules for Continuing Professional Education (CPE) as approved by the UAA Committee on December 20, 2016

ARTICLE 3 – DEFINITIONS

Rule 3-4 – Continuing Professional Education (CPE).
Continuing Professional Education (CPE) is an integral part of the lifelong learning required to provide competent service to the public. It is the set of activities that enables CPAs to maintain and improve their professional competence.

Rule 3-5 - CPE reporting period.
A "CPE reporting period" is the period of time as to which a licensee must report or attest to the completion of CPE requirements to the Board of Accountancy.

Rule 3-6 - Subject matter expert.
A "subject matter expert" is a person who is an authority in a particular area or topic. A subject matter expert is involved in developing CPE materials where knowledge expertise is needed.

Rule 3-7 - Technical committee.
A "technical committee" is a committee that serves as a resource to identify issues regarding the practice of accountancy and develop technical or policy recommendations on those issues.

Rule 3-8 - Technical fields of study.
"Technical fields of study" are technical subjects that contribute to the competence of a CPA in the profession of accountancy and that directly relate to the CPA's field of business. These fields of study include, but are not limited to:

(a) Accounting;
(b) Accounting (Government);
(c) Auditing:
(d) Auditing (Government);
(e) Business Law;
(f) Economics;
(g) Finance;

(h) Information Technology;
(i) Management Services;
(j) Regulatory Ethics;
(k) Specialized Knowledge;
(l) Statistics; and
(m) Taxes.

Rule 3–9 - Non-technical fields of study.
"Non-technical fields of study" are subjects that contribute to the competence of a CPA in areas that indirectly relate to the CPA's field of business. These fields of study include, but are not limited to:

(a) Behavioral Ethics;
(b) Business Management & Organization;
(c) Communications and Marketing;
(d) Computer Software & Applications;
(e) Personal Development;
(f) Personnel/Human Resources; and
(g) Production.

ARTICLE 6 – ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES AND RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATES AND REGISTRATIONS, CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND RECIPROCITY

Rule 6-1 - Applications.
No proposed change to current rule. Not within scope of project.

Rule 6-2 – Experience required for initial certificate.
No proposed change to current rule. Not within scope of project.

Rule 6-3 – Evidence of applicant's experience.
No proposed change to current rule. Not within scope of project.

Rule 6-4 – CPE requirements for renewal of the certificate or registration.
The following requirements of CPE apply to the renewal of certificates and registrations pursuant to Section 6(d) of the Act.

(a) An applicant seeking renewal of a certificate, registration or license from a Board shall assert in a manner acceptable to the Board, that the applicant for renewal meets all of the following CPE requirements:

(1) Completion of qualifying CPE during the CPE reporting period that averages no fewer than forty (40) credits of qualified CPE, including an average of two (2) credits of qualifying ethics CPE, for each annual period included in the CPE reporting period; and

(2) Completion of a minimum of twenty (20) credits of qualifying CPE during each annual period included in the CPE reporting period.

(3) Completion of a minimum of fifty percent (50%) of the total CPE credits required for the CPE reporting period in technical fields of study.

Qualifying subject areas for CPE are categorized as either technical or non-technical fields of study as set forth in Rules 3-8 and 3-9 above. Subjects other than technical and non-technical fields of study may be acceptable for CPE if the licensee can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Board that such subjects or specific programs contribute to the maintenance of the licensee's professional competence.

(b) A person who obtains a certificate, registration or license for the first time shall complete at least forty (40) credits of acceptable CPE during the first full annual period following the year in which the original certificate, registration or license was obtained. There is no provision for carry-over from an annual period in which CPE was not required.

(c) An applicant whose certificate, registration or license has lapsed or has been suspended shall complete qualifying CPE that averages no fewer than forty (40) credits of qualified CPE, for each annual period included in the CPE reporting period preceding the date of reapplication, not to exceed a total of one hundred twenty (120) credits. An applicant whose certificate or registration has lapsed or has been suspended shall be required to identify and complete a program of learning designed to demonstrate the currency of the licensee's competencies directly related to his or her area of practice.

(d) Licensees granted an exception from the competency requirement by the Board may discontinue use of the word "inactive" or "retired" in association with their license upon showing that they have completed qualifying CPE that averages no fewer than forty (40) credits of qualified CPE for each annual period included in the CPE reporting period preceding the request to discontinue use of the word "inactive" or "retired," not to exceed a total of one hundred twenty (120) credits.

(e) Upon request by the Board, the applicant for renewal shall provide proof of completion or other evidence acceptable to the Board that supports the assertion by the applicant that the applicant has met the CPE renewal requirements. If the Board so requests, the applicant shall also submit an explanation of how any portion of CPE credits for renewal questioned by the Board relate to the applicant's continuing professional competence.

(f) For a certificate, registration or license that has been lapsed, suspended or inactive for a period of five (5) years or more, the Board has the discretion to determine the number and type of CPE credits as a requirement for reinstatement.

Rule 6-5 –Activities qualifying for CPE credit.

CPE activities are learning opportunities that contribute directly to a licensee's knowledge, ability and/or competence to perform his or her professional responsibilities. CPE activities should address the licensee's current and future work environment, current knowledge and skills and desired or needed knowledge and skills to meet future opportunities and/or professional responsibilities.

(a) The following learning activities shall qualify for CPE credit:

(1) A learning activity that complies with the Statement on Standards for Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Programs, issued jointly by the AICPA and NASBA, and is coordinated and presented by a qualifying CPE program sponsor as set forth below in Rule 6-5 (b).

The sources of qualifying learning activities include but are not limited to the following:

(A) Group Programs;
(B) Self-Study Programs;
(C) Blended Learning Programs;
(D) Nano-Learning Programs;
(E) Instructor/Developer of CPE programs in (A) through (D) above or in (2) and (4) below;
(F) Technical Reviewer of CPE programs in (A) through (D) above or in (2) and (4) below; and
(G) Independent Study.

(2) A college or university course that is coordinated and presented by a qualifying university or college as set forth in Rule 6-5 (b)(2) below, and is in a qualifying subject area as set forth in Rule 6-4 (a) above;

No CPE credit shall be permitted for attending or instructing college or university courses considered to be basic or introductory accounting courses or CPA exam preparation/review courses.

(3) Authorship of published articles, books and other publications relevant to maintaining professional competence.

(4) A group learning activity that is coordinated and presented by a person, firm, association, corporation or group, other than a qualifying learning program

sponsor as defined in Rule 6-5 (b) below. These programs are generally related to topics of the specialized knowledge field of study by persons or organizations with expertise in these specialized industries.

(5) Participation and work on a technical committee of an international, national or state professional association, council or member organization, or a governmental entity that supports professional services or industries that require unique and specific knowledge in accounting or tax compliance.

(b) The following are deemed to be qualifying CPE program sponsors:

(1) The AICPA and state CPA societies;

(2) Universities or colleges accredited at the time the CPE program was delivered by virtue of accreditation by an organization recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation as a specialized, professional, or regional accrediting organization;

(3) Persons, firms, associations, corporations or other groups that are members of NASBA's National Registry of CPE Sponsors; and

(4) Persons, firms, associations, corporations or other groups that are recognized by the Board.

(c) Acceptable evidence for completion of qualifying learning activities shall include the following:

(1) For programs or courses as set forth in Rule 6-5 (a) (1) and (2), acceptable evidence should include a certificate of completion or transcript issued by the qualifying learning program sponsor.

(2) For activities set forth in Rule 6-5 (a) (3), acceptable evidence may include a copy of the publication that names the licensee as author or contributor; a statement from the licensee supporting the number of CPE credits claimed; and the name and contact information of the independent reviewer(s) or publisher.

(3) For programs or courses as set forth in Rule 6-5 (a) (4), acceptable evidence may include a certificate of attendance or other verification supplied by the program sponsor. If a certificate of attendance or other verification is not available, then acceptable evidence shall include copies of the course agenda, program materials, or other documents attributable to the learning activity.

(4) For activities set forth in Rule 6-5 (a) (5), acceptable evidence shall include a written certificate of the licensee setting forth all of the following:

(A) The nature of the activity (e.g., topic or specific new competency acquired), the items discussed and the source/materials considered.

(B) The dates on which the learning activity occurred.

(C) The number of CPE credits attributed to the learning activity.

(D) Details of the relevance of the learning activity to the participant's current or future professional development.

Rule 6-6 – Continuing professional education records.

(a) Computation of CPE credits.

Each approved CPE course, program, or activity shall be measured by program length, with one 50-minute period equal to one CPE credit.

(1) Computation of CPE credits for qualifying CPE programs shall be as follows:

(A) Group programs, independent study and blended learning programs – A minimum of one credit must be earned initially, but after the first credit has been earned, credits may be earned in one-fifth or one-half increments.

(B) Self-study – A minimum of one-half credit must be earned initially, but after the first credit has been earned, credits may be earned in one-fifth or one-half increments.

(C) Nano-learning – The credit to be earned for a single nano-learning program is one-fifth credit.

(D) For blended learning programs included in Rule 6-5 (a)(1)(C), CPE credit must equal the sum of the CPE credit determination for the various completed components of the program.

(E) An instructor/developer of qualifying CPE programs included in Rule 6-5 (a) (1) (A) through (D) may receive CPE credit for actual preparation time up to two times the number of CPE credits to which participants would be entitled, in addition to the time for presentation. For repeat presentations, CPE credit can be claimed only if it can be demonstrated that the learning activity content was substantially changed and such change required significant additional study or research. Not more than fifty percent (50%) of the total CPE credits required for the CPE reporting period can be claimed for instructor/developer CPE credit.

(F) A technical reviewer of qualifying CPE programs included in Rule 6-5 (a) (1) (A) through (D) may receive CPE credit for actual review time up to the actual number of CPE credits for the learning activity. For repeat technical reviews, CPE credit can be claimed only if it can be demonstrated that the learning activity content was substantially changed and such change required significant additional study or research. Not more than fifty percent (50%) of the total CPE credits required for the CPE reporting period can be claimed for technical reviewer CPE credit.

(G) Authors of published articles, books and other publications may receive CPE credit for their research and writing time to the extent it maintains or improves their professional competence. For the author to receive CPE credit, the article, book or CPE program must be formally reviewed by an independent party. Not more than fifty percent (50%) of the total CPE credits required for the CPE reporting period can be claimed for author CPE credit.

(H) For courses that are part of the curriculum of a university, college or other educational institution, each semester hour credit shall equal fifteen (15) CPE credits, and each quarter hour shall equal ten (10) CPE credits.

For non-credit courses, CPE credit shall equal actual time in class.

CPE credit for instructing a college or university course shall be twice the credit that would have been granted participants for the first presentation of a specific course or program and none thereafter, except if the course content has been substantially revised. To the extent a course has been substantially revised, the revised portion shall be considered a first presentation. Not more than fifty percent (50%) of the total CPE credits required for the CPE reporting period can be claimed for instructor CPE credit.

(I) Not more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the total qualifying CPE credits for a CPE reporting period may consist of a combination of the learning activities defined in Rule 6-5 (a) (4) and (5).

(b) CPE records.

An applicant seeking renewal of a certificate, registration or license from the Board shall, as a prerequisite for such renewal, certify in a manner acceptable to the Board, that the applicant for renewal meets all of the CPE requirements set forth in Rule 6-4 above. Responsibility for documenting the acceptability of the program and the validity of the credits rests with the applicant who should retain such documentation for the longer of a period of five years or two reporting periods following completion of each learning activity.

The Board will verify, on a test basis, information submitted by applicants for renewal of a certificate, registration or license. In cases where the Board determines that the requirement is not met, the Board may grant an additional period of time in which the deficiencies can be cured or seek disciplinary action, at the Board's discretion. Fraudulent reporting is a basis for disciplinary action.

Rule 6-7 –CPE Reciprocity.

A non-resident licensee seeking renewal of a certificate in this state shall be determined to have met the CPE requirement (including the requirements of Rule 6-4(a)) of this rule by meeting the CPE requirements for renewal of a certificate in the state in which the licensee's principal place of business is located.

(a) Non-resident applicants for renewal shall demonstrate compliance with the CPE renewal requirements of the state in which the licensee's principal place of business is located by signing a statement to that effect on the renewal application of this state.

(b) If a non-resident licensee's principal place of business state has no CPE requirements for renewal of a certificate, the non-resident licensee must comply with all CPE requirements for renewal of a certificate in this state.

Rule 6-8 – Exceptions.
Not within scope of this task force's project.

Rule 6-9 – Interstate practice.
Not within scope of this task force's project.

Rule 6-10 – International reciprocity.
Not within scope of this task force's project.

Rule 6-11 – Peer review for certificate holders who do not practice in a licensed firm.
Not within scope of this task force's project.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE BOARDS OF ACCOUNTANCY, INC.

Highlights of the Board of Directors Meeting

January 6, 2017 – Manalapan, FL

At a duly called meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy, Inc., held on Friday, January 6, 2017 at the Eau Palm Beach Resort in Manalapan, Florida, the Board took the following actions:

□ Approved for exposure Model Rules for continuing professional education and non-substantive updating changes to the Uniform Accountancy Act as presented by UAA Committee Chair J. Coalter Baker (TX). The comment period will end on April 17, 2017.

□ Approved the November NASBA financial statements as recommended by the Administration and Finance Committee and presented by Treasurer A. Carlos Barrera (TX).

□ Received a summary from Chair Telford A. Lodden (IA) of his NASBA activities during the past quarter. These included listening to the meetings of several NASBA committees, meeting with representatives of the UK's Financial Reporting Council and attendance at the meeting of the Accountancy Board of Ohio. He praised the NASBA committees' work and urged them on to accomplish their missions expeditiously. Chair Lodden is preparing with President Ken L. Bishop for the February leadership summit with the AICPA.

□ Learned from President and CEO Ken Bishop that the design stage is underway for the 8th floor of NASBA's Nashville headquarters. NASBA will take possession of the space on June 1 when the sublease to its equity affiliate ends. Updates were provided on the Gateway rewrite and the CPE Audit Tool, two major development-stage IT projects.

□ Congratulated Director-at-Large Richard N. Reisig (MT) on his being selected to be a member of the Financial Accounting Standards Board's Private Company Council.

□ Heard from NASBA Executive Vice President and COO Colleen K. Conrad that NASBA, in conjunction with the AICPA, has started research into why some CPA candidates cease to take the Uniform CPA Examination. Focus group discussions are taking place and results of the study are expected this fall. Other CPA pipeline projects are also underway.

□ Learned from Client Services Director Patricia Hartman of the many outreach efforts her staff has been engaged in this year in preparation for the April launch of the next version of the Uniform CPA Examination. This included meeting with State Boards and Societies, attending the Review Course Providers Annual Meeting and hosting NASBA U. They have set up a Facebook Chat for candidates, posted on social media and held webinars with additional ones scheduled for February. There was a 13 percent increase in calls handled this year.

- Heard a summary from Compliance Assurance Committee Chair John F. Dailey, Jr. (NJ) of the AICPA's responses to the 55 comment letters they received from State Boards and others on the proposed changes to the administration of the Peer Review Program. The CAC is studying and will be responding to the revised AICPA proposal released in January.

- Were updated by UAA Committee Chair Coalter Baker on the development of potential language to amend the UAA and permit usage of management accounting titles. The proposed language is not yet ready for exposure for comment.

- Learned from Standard Setting Advisory Committee Chair Catherine R. Allen (NY) that her group has been tasked with considering the application of advances in technology and data analytics to the audit from the State Board's enforcement perspective. These evolutionary changes will be impacting firms of all sizes.

- Heard from Executive Vice President Conrad that the NASBA CPE Sponsor Registry approved its first nano learning sponsor in December 2016. The Registry now includes almost 2,200 sponsors.

- Were advised by Education Committee Chair Raymond N. Johnson (OR) that another meeting with accreditors is scheduled for February 3. Talks are going on with the AACSB to develop an accreditation model that more fully engages the accounting profession.

- Learned from Relations with Member Boards Committee Chair Stephanie S. Saunders (VA) that program planning has started for the June 2017 Regional Meetings, to be held June 6-8 in Coeur D'Alene, ID, and June 27-29 in Newport, RI. The use of data analytics in auditing will be one of the major topics of discussion.

- Were briefed by NASBA/AICPA International Qualifications Appraisal Board Chair Sharon A. Jensen (MN) on the ongoing communications to renew existing mutual recognition agreements with CPA Canada, Instituto Mexicano de Contadores Publicos and Chartered Accountants of Australia and New Zealand. These renewals are expected to be completed in the next few months.

- Heard a report from Wade Jewell (VA), Chair of the Executive Directors Committee on the agenda for the March 14-16 Executive Directors and Board Staff Conference. Major topics to be considered include the Peer Review Program's administration, use of titles and the impact of the Supreme Court's decision in the North Carolina Dental Board case.

The next meeting of the NASBA Board of Directors will be held on April 21, 2017 in Destin, Florida.

Distribution: State Board Chairs/Presidents, Members and Executive Directors; NASBA Board of Directors and Committee Chairs; NASBA Staff Directors

National Association of State Boards of Accountancy, Inc.

Meeting of the Board of Directors

October 28, 2016 – JW Marriott Austin, TX

1. Call to Order

A duly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy was called to order by Chair Donald H. Burkett at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, October 28, 2016 at the JW Marriott Austin in Austin, TX. He thanked J. Coalter Baker and Missy Baker for hosting the Board at their home on the previous evening. He also thanked the members of the Texas Board of Accountancy for their help with the reception.

2. Report of Attendance

President and CEO Ken L. Bishop reported the following were present:

Officers
Donald H. Burkett, CPA (SC), Chair
Telford A. Lodden, CPA (IA), Vice Chair
Walter C. Davenport, CPA (NC), Past Chair
E. Kent Smoll, CPA (KS), Treasurer
Laurie J. Tish, CPA (WA), Secretary

Directors-at-Large
A. Carlos Barrera, CPA (TX)
Jimmy E. Burkes, CPA (MS)
Tyrone E. Dickerson, CPA (VA)
Janice L. Gray, CPA (OK)
Raymond N. Johnson, CPA (OR) – via phone
Harry O. Parsons, CPA (NV)
Richard N. Reisig, CPA (MT)

Regional Directors
J. Coalter Baker, CPA (TX), Southwest Regional Director
Maria E. Caldwell, CPA (FL), Southeast Regional Director
Stephanie S. Saunders, CPA (VA), Middle Atlantic Regional Director
John F. Dailey, Jr., CPA (NJ), Northeast Regional Director
W. Michael Fritz, CPA (OH), Great Lakes Regional Director
Sharon A. Jensen, CPA (MN), Central Regional Director
Edwin G. Jolicoeur, CPA (WA), Pacific Regional Director
Benjamin C. Steele, CPA (NV), Mountain Regional Director

Executive Directors' Liaison
James Corley, CPA (AR) – Executive Directors Committee Chair

Staff

Ken L. Bishop, President and Chief Executive Officer
Colleen K. Conrad, CPA, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer
Michael R. Bryant, CPA, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Louise Dratler Haberman, Vice President - Information and Research
Thomas G. Kenny, Director – Communications
Noel L. Allen, Esq., Outside Legal Counsel

Guests
Theodore W. Long, Jr., CPA (OH), Vice Chair Nominee
Catherine R. Allen, CPA (NY), Northeast Regional Director Nominee
Sheldon P. Holzman, CPA (IL), Great Lakes Regional Director Nominee
Nicola Neilon, CPA (NV), Mountain Regional Director Nominee
Wade A. Jewell (VA), Incoming Executive Directors' Liaison to the Board

Chair Burkett (SC) asked those new to the Board's meeting to please introduce themselves.

3. Approval of Minutes

Secretary Laurie Tish (WA) presented the minutes of the Board of Directors' July 22, 2016 meeting and moved for their approval. Benjamin Steele seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

4. Report from Chair

Chair Burkett reported the Executive Committee had met the previous day and concluded that NASBA is in very good shape. He and other NASBA leaders had attended the American Accounting Association's annual meeting and had joined with leaders of the American Institute of CPAs for a successful summit meeting since the last Board of Directors' meeting.

Mr. Burkett and President Bishop had met with the FRC in London and were joined in Edinburgh by Vice Chair Telford Lodden to meet with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland. The FRC is scheduled to meet with them again in New York City in December and the Chief Executive Officer of ICAS will meet with them again in Austin and address NASBA's 2016 Annual Meeting. Chair Burkett said he was pleased with the outcome of those meetings but believes there is still work to do.

He also reported he had been interviewed for videos for *Accounting Today* on topics of current importance to the profession. President Bishop added that the videos covered NASBA's efforts related to diversity.

Chair Burkett had addressed the AICPA Council meeting the previous week to update them on NASBA's activities. A video of that presentation will be placed on www.nasba.org. Besides reporting on the progress of joint NASBA and the AICPA efforts, he stressed that it is acceptable for the AICPA and NASBA to disagree, as NASBA needs to do what is best for the Boards of Accountancy. He pointed out that State Board representatives are being appointed to

committees of the AICPA and other professional bodies, and he asked the Board members to inform him if they are interested in being nominated by NASBA for any outside appointments.

5. Report of the President

President and CEO Bishop welcomed the new Board members. He asked Executive Vice President and COO Colleen Conrad to present the summary of activities with him. They noted the following:

- The NASBA staff "family day" was held in August to include a "Nashville Sounds" baseball game following an open house of NASBA's remodeled Nashville offices. The staff now includes numerous members from outside the United States. NASBA is participating in community reinvestment as well as employee on-line training through "Think Tank" software that all employees can access. An in-house series of talks "NASBA 101: The Big Picture" has been created to help employees learn about the part they play in the association's overall operations.

- Students from the University of Tennessee in Martin were brought to visit the Nashville office to let them see what NASBA is doing.

- The new Nashville office design is working out even better than expected. In June another half floor of space will be open as the former wholly-owned subsidiary PCS will be relocating to another site.

- GASB Chairman David A. Vaudt and FAF President and Chief Executive Director Teresa S. Polley met with NASBA staff leaders in Nashville.

- NASBA has made the Boards' reliance on education accreditors a national issue. Besides a joint effort by the AICPA and NASBA to address this issue, both the AAA and the AACSB are having conferences to focus on the problem. Jan Williams has been engaged by NASBA and AICPA as a consultant to work on this project.

- Staff work continues on drafting language that could allow for the use of management accountant designations without public confusion with CPA. It is hoped this project will be completed by the end of 2016.

- Conversations continue to promote mutual recognition agreements being developed with the ICAEW and ICAS. Brexit has created an opportunity for new pathways.

- NASBA nominees have recently been appointed or reappointed to several important committees outside the Association.

- All 55 Boards of Accountancy will be represented at the 109th Annual Meeting. President Bishop credited Vice President – Board Relations Dan Dustin for his efforts to make this happen.

- NASBA's legislative tracking service has carefully monitored more than 620 pieces of legislation. Thirty-eight states have now adopted the new definition of "attest."

- The review of the Boards' enforcement procedures by NASBA for the California Board of Accountancy continues. The biggest challenge has been ensuring that a flag appears on the state's web site when there has been an enforcement measure. NASBA has provided resources to those Boards that require help to overcome issues preventing them from being substantially equivalent in this area.

- A new website focused on the NASBA National CPE Registry was launched right before the CPE Summit, which was when the new CPE Standards went into effect. The Summit was sold out this year.

- NASBA's net assets have increased from $28.3 million in 2012 to $45.3 million in 2016. This enables the Association to be prepared to respond to requests from the Boards. State Boards of all sizes are reaching out directly to NASBA for assistance.

- Uniform CPA Examination revenue is up as candidate volume is up and has continued to stay at that level. A drop in volume is anticipated in 2017.

- International transcript evaluations for Accountancy Boards have more than tripled in the last three years. However, it is believed that the market will be saturated, with growth leveling off, and this is being closely monitored. AEQUO activity is starting to build as Director James Suh is transitioning from NIES to be more involved in AEQUO's development. NASBA's experience verification service, which is still being promoted mainly through word-of-mouth advertising is also growing.

- There has been a tremendous momentum of schools that want to have a student chapter of the NASBA Center for the Public Trust.

President Bishop reviewed the program for the Annual Meeting and highlighted the featured speakers. He believes they will be enthusiastically received and will encourage people to attend the 2017 Annual Meeting.

6. Report of the Vice Chair

Vice Chair Telford Lodden (IA) reported on how he made his committee appointments for 2016-2017. He is confident that the talent on the NASBA committees and Board of Directors will move the association forward this coming year.

7. Report of the Administration and Finance Committee

Treasurer Kent Smoll (KS) reported on the September A&F Committee's meeting, where drafts of the fiscal 2016 audited financial statements and the underlying internal financial statements were discussed. He directed the Board to the management discussion and analysis in

the NASBA Annual Report. He also discussed the October 27 investment committee's meeting which included separate discussions with the two investment adviser groups. Senior Vice President and CFO Michael Bryant contrasted the final results for fiscal 2016 to the projection presented at the July Board of Directors' meeting, noting that operating excess was within $100,000, but that investment income had a positive variance of $700,000. Mr. Smoll thanked Mr. Bryant, Director of Finance and Controller Troy Walker, and CPT's CFO Sandra Davidson for their work in support of the A&F Committee. Mr. Bryant thanked Mr. Smoll for his service to NASBA in his work as A&F Committee Chair over the prior four years.

8. Report from the Audit Committee

Audit Committee Chair Jimmy Burkes (MS) reported the Audit Committee had met with management and the audit firm, LBMC, and had reviewed the draft audit reports, the final report and the SAS 115 letters. They learned that a litigation matter which NASBA had been brought into had been dismissed. LBMC had no issues and were very complimentary of CFO Michael Bryant and his staff. He referred the Board to the report of the Audit Committee in the NASBA 2016 Annual Report. He made a motion to ratify the Executive Committee's approval of the consolidated audited financial statement for 2016. Mr. Tyrone Dickerson (VA) seconded and all approved.

Mr. Burkes then called for the Board to ratify the Executive Committee's approval of the Audit Committee's recommendation of the selection of LBMC as NASBA's auditor for the coming year. Mr. Dickerson seconded. Mr. Burkes was asked by Sheldon Holtzman (IL) how long LBMC had been NASBA's auditors, and he responded 19 years with partner rotation required every five years. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Burkes said the Audit Committee had accomplished all that was required in its charge and under the Audit Committee Charter. In addition, the Form 990 had been made available to all the NASBA Board members prior to the meeting and after review by the Audit Committee.

9. Alerts

Compliance Assurance Committee (CAC) Chair John Dailey (NJ) reported on the survey done by the CAC in response to the AICPA's distribution to the State Boards of its proposal to alter the administration of its Peer Review Program. Thirty-six Boards participated in the survey and 18 also sent letters directly to the AICPA and copied the CAC. NASBA's response to the AICPA's paper was developed based on the Boards' input. President Bishop advised the Regional Directors that it is important for NASBA to know what the Boards want NASBA to do to assist them in dealing with the potential consolidation of the Peer Review Program's administering entities. He asked the Regional Directors to discuss this with their states. Ms. Conrad told the Board the AICPA expects to finalize their Peer Review Program's new administration model by May 2017.

Education Committee Chair Raymond Johnson (OR) reported on the meetings taking place to consider the role of the education accreditors. In addition there is discussion going on about the appropriate skill set for auditors. Data analytic and soft skills may be needed as well as traditional business skills.

Data analytics becoming more a part of the auditor's role will pose new challenges for regulators, President Bishop explained to the Board. He reviewed some of the forces moving the profession in that direction. How the State Boards will be able to regulate in this new environment is to be determined. Mr. Fritz noted that artificial intelligence is being used more by the firms and that too will be a challenge for regulators.

10. Report from the Executive Directors Committee

Executive Directors Committee Chair James Corley (AR) reported there are three issues on the minds of the State Boards' executive directors: 1- The changes to the Uniform CPA Examination bringing more questions from candidates; 2- What the UAA language to cover the management accountant designations will look like. 3- How peer review administration will evolve. There is interest in seeing how the AICPA will respond to the letters submitted in response to their peer review proposal.

The Executive Directors Committee will meet on October 30 to finalize the agenda for the March 14-16, 2017 Annual Conference for Executive Directors and Board Staff. Wade Jewell will become the chair of the Committee.

11. Report from the Uniform Accountancy Act Committee

UAA Committee Chair Coalter Baker (TX) presented the changes recommended by the UAA Committee to UAA Section 6 (g) on recognition of holders of substantially equivalent foreign designations and to Model Rules 5-3 through 5-7 on administration of the Uniform CPA Examination. Having gone through an exposure period, followed by the UAA Committee's review of the comments received during that period, he moved for the acceptance of both changes. Ms. Tish seconded and all approved.

In September the CPE Task Force of the UAA Committee had met to discuss the Model Rules changes proposed by the CPE Committee to coordinate with the recently approved CPE Standards and Fields of Study. The AICPA/NASBA UAA Committee is expected to vote before the end of the year on the new Model Rules, with the expectation they will be brought to the NASBA Board in January for approval to expose for comment.

The UAA Committee Co-Chairs and staff held a conference call on October 25 to discuss the new proposed UAA language to cover the use of management accountant designations; however, some questions still need to be worked through. Mr. Baker reported the drafting continues.

12. Report from the CPT Administration Committee

CPT Administration Committee Chair Richard Reisig (MT) said a panel discussion would take place at the Annual Meeting to talk about what the State Boards need to be aware of with the revised examination. He also mentioned several test administration matters that are under discussion.

13. Report from the International Qualification Appraisal Board

IQAB Chair Telford Lodden reported the renewal process for the mutual recognition agreement with CPA Canada and the Instituto Mexicano de Contadores Públicos has been difficult. It has not gone as quickly as had been predicted. He asked for an extension to April 30, 2017 for the agreement. Mr. Parsons seconded and all approved.

Although the unilateral is now an option with the just approved UAA language, mutual recognition agreements are still the preferred method of recognition, Mr. Lodden explained. The unilateral pathway gives the Boards a way to bring qualified professionals under their regulation without reciprocal recognition, but it is hoped these pathways will encourage other countries to want to reciprocate.

President Bishop noted there is a disagreement in legal opinion on Irish law which is holding up the renewal with the Chartered Accountants of Ireland. The FRC has indicated that because of the mandatory rotation in the EU, they would like to see MRAs develop.

14. Thanks to Retiring Board Members

Chair Burkett thanked those who would be retiring from the Board for their service: Walter Davenport, Michael Fritz, Harry Parsons, Ben Steele and Jimmy Corley.

15. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

National Association of State Boards of Accountancy, Inc.
Meeting of the Board of Directors
November 1, 2016- JW Marriott Austin, TX

1. Call to Order

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy was called to order by Chair Telford A. Lodden (IA) at 11:35 a.m. on Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at the JW Marriott Austin in Austin, TX.

2. Report of Attendance

President and CEO Ken L. Bishop reported the following were present:

Officers
Telford A. Lodden, CPA (IA), Chair
Theodore W. Long, Jr., CPA (OH), Vice Chair
Donald H. Burkett, CPA (SC), Past Chair

Directors-at-Large
A. Carlos Barrera, CPA (TX)
Jimmy E. Burkes, CPA (MS)
John F. Dailey, Jr., CPA (NJ)
Tyrone E. Dickerson, CPA (VA)
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Nicola Neilon, CPA (NV), Mountain Regional Director
Stephanie S. Saunders, CPA (VA), Middle Atlantic Regional Director
James Corley, CPA (AR) – Executive Directors Committee Liaison

Member Absent
Raymond N. Johnson, CPA (OR), Director-at-Large

Staff

Ken L. Bishop, President and Chief Executive Officer
Colleen K. Conrad, CPA, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer
Michael R. Bryant, CPA, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Louise Dratler Haberman, Vice President - Information and Research
Noel L. Allen, Esq., Outside Legal Counsel

3. Election of Officers

Following an explanation of the election process by NASBA Chair Telford Lodden, the 2016-17 NASBA Board of Directors took the following actions:

The Board unanimously elected A. Carlos Barrera (TX) as NASBA Treasurer.

The Board unanimously elected Janice L. Gray (OK) as NASBA Secretary.

4. Adjournment

Chair Lodden adjourned the meeting at 11: 50 a.m.

MEMORANDUM

January 12, 2017

To: State Board Chairs, Presidents, Board Members and Executive Directors

From: Stephanie S. Saunders - Chair, Committee on Relations with Member Boards

Re: Focus Questions

As Chair of the Committee on Relations with Member Boards, I would like to encourage you to support your Board's legal counsel's and executive director's participation in NASBA's March 14-16, 2017 Annual Conference for Executive Directors and Board Staff and Annual Conference for Board of Accountancy Legal Counsel, to be held concurrently in New Orleans, LA. We would like all Boards represented at these important meetings and scholarships are available for representatives of Boards that need assistance. Please contact Thomas Kenny (tkenny@nasba.org) for scholarship details.

We thank you for your helpful responses to our past Focus Questions. Your continued support helps keep NASBA an organization that responds to its member boards. We are looking for your Board's responses to the following questions by Monday, April 10, 2017.

Please do not hesitate to call your Regional Director to discuss these questions or any other issues you feel NASBA should consider. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Saunders

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Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas

Executive Summary
November-December 2016
Regional Directors' Focus Question Responses

28 Boards Responding
(AK, CA, CO, DE, DC, GU, ID, IL BOE, IL DFPR, IN, LA, MD, MI, MS, MT, NC, NE, NV, NM, OH, OK, OR, SD, TN, VT, VA, WA, WY)

1. **In the 2016 election, did your state vote for any measure that will impact your Accountancy Board?**
   Yes: 4
   No: 24

2. **Do you believe your Board will soon be interested in considering uniform language allowing for the use of management accounting designations?**
   (a) We are just awaiting the language being proposed by NASBA and AICPA. **2**
   (b) We believe our existing language does not need to be modified to permit the use of management accounting designations. **2**
   (c) We have already modified our language. **0**
   (d) We will wait to see how other Boards handle this issue. **5**
   (e) It is not high on our legislative wish list. **2**
   (f) We are not going to permit the use of such designations. **6**
   (g) We have not yet discussed this issue. **8**
   (h) Other (please explain below): **IL BOE** – Defer to IL DFPR; **MS** - Accountancy Statutes prohibit use of such designations by persons not licensed CPAs; **WA** – We have only briefly discussed and mood ranges from mild concern to questions.

3. **(A) Now that the need for reciprocal recognition is being removed from the UAA, do you think you would recognize non-US auditors with credentials found to be substantially equivalent by the NASBA/AICPA International Qualifications Appraisal Board (IQAB)?**
   (a) As soon as IQAB makes each recommendation, we will consider implementing it. **6**
   (b) We will approve all of IQAB's recommendations. **0**
   (c) We will only consider mutual recognition agreements. **3**
   (d) Will require more Board discussion. **14**
   (e) Other (please explain below). **CA, NC** – The Board has not discussed this issue. **IL DFPR** – Defer to IL BOE. **WA** – Entered into preliminary discussions with Canadian British Columbia and Alberta accounting regulators re: cross border work.
   (B) Will your Board need to amend its laws to allow for this unilateral pathway?
   Yes: 14 **No: 5** **Maybe: 8**

4. **What is happening in your jurisdiction that is important for other State Boards and NASBA to know about? Some responses: IN** – Allowing ethics CPE requirement to be fulfilled via volunteer experience in ethics related setting.
   - **ME** – Governor implemented hiring freeze and travel restrictions.
   - **WA** – Other Boards would be interested in Washington's discussion with Canadian authorities.

5. **Can NASBA be of any assistance to your Board at this time?**
   Some responses:
   - **NM** – Need assistance with getting laws changed.
   - **WY** – Requests NASBA leadership consider licensing management software as product available to Member Boards.

For details, see Regional Directors' Focus Question Report.

Arleen E Gay

From: Dave Sanford <daves@stgguam.com>
Sent: Friday, February 10, 2017 12:35 AM
To: boardsec@guamboa.org
Subject: FW: NASBA's Legislative E-News

ARLEEN – please include in next board meeting package. Thanks! Dave

From: info@nasba.org -- National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) [mailto:info@nasba.org]
Sent: Friday, February 10, 2017 12:15 AM
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Your Guide to Legislation Impacting Accountancy Regulation

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February 2017

Immunity and Indemnification – Are You Covered

In February 2015, the U.S. Supreme Court's North Carolina Dental Decision made being a state regulator very personal. Unless certain conditions exist, the case created ambiguity around whether regulatory board members may be held personally responsible for potential antitrust violations while serving as board members.

2016 West Virginia Legislative Response

In response to the North Carolina Dental Decision, the West Virginia legislature chose not to define and implement "active supervision"

SPOTLIGHT

Coming April 1, 2017

The Next Version of the Uniform CPA Examination



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oversight at this stage of the case's fallout, but rather decided to enact legislation (HB 271) to protect members of the West Virginia Board of Accountancy by expressly providing indemnification against litigation for board members and staff. Additionally, the state also required that Board members and staff receive training on the parameters of antitrust law. In fact, NASBA provides the state-mandated education for the Board of Accountancy.

Is Your Board Covered?

NASBA encourages each Board of Accountancy to work with legal counsel to determine if some type of applicable indemnification and immunity provision exists in statute, and/or there is ample insurance to cover state-appointed board members and board employees. States without such provisions now have additional reasons to adopt indemnification, immunity and insurance provisions.

UAA Section 4(g)(2)

For the accounting profession, the Uniform Accountancy Act Section 4 (g)(2) has specific language for individuals who serve on Boards of Accountancy, which provides that the board, its members and its agents shall be immune from personal liability, and the state shall hold them harmless for all costs, damages, legal fees and the like arising from their service on the board. If your jurisdiction has not already adopted section 4(g)(2), this language should be reviewed by legal experts knowledgeable of your state law to determine whether it would be advisable to incorporate.

Conclusion

It's clear that the North Carolina Dental case has, and will continue to a have, significant implications on the self-regulation of professions. It is of the utmost importance that each Board of Accountancy verify and/or incorporate proper indemnification and immunity provisions in their statutes to cover state-appointed board members and board employees. Boards are urged to explore additional insurance coverage to maximize their protection post-North Carolina Dental.

New Mexico Legislation Embraces UAA Conformity in 2017 Legislation

The Uniform Accountancy Act is designed to achieve several objectives. As the name suggests, the Act advances the goal of uniformity. Legislation was recently introduced in New Mexico embracing the following UAA provisions:

- The revised definition of "Attest"
- Expanding Mobility to include Firm Mobility
- CPE Reciprocity - Allows a non-resident licensee seeking renewal of a certificate in New Mexico to meet the CPE requirement by fulfilling those requirements in the licensee's principal place of business

To view New Mexico HB 197, click on the above **"LEGISLATION BY TOPIC"** link and then on either the **"Attest"** or **"Firm Mobility"** or **"CPE Related"** buttons; you may also click on **"LEGISLATION BY**

The Next Version of the CPA Exam to Launch April 1, 2017

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Did you know the Virginia seal was designed by a man who was also a signatory to the Declaration of Independence? That's George Wythe. The seal was first adopted in 1776 and modified in 1930.

Congressman Goodlatte (R-Va) Introduces Major Regulatory Reform Package to Promote Economic Growth and Job Creation

JURISDICTION" and then click on New Mexico within the map to see a list of legislative bills from the state.

Competency-Based CPE for CPAs Filed in Indiana

Legislation was introduced in Indiana (HB 1467) that allows competency-based continuing professional education courses to qualify for license renewal. Currently, Indiana licensees must complete 120 hours of Continuing Professional Education (CPE) every three years in order to retain his/her license. The proposed legislation would allow a licensee to take only competency-based education, or a combination of both competency-based and hours-based education, to complete the requirements for CPA license renewal.

To view Indiana HB 1467, click on the above **"LEGISLATION BY TOPIC"** link and then on either the **"CPE Related"** button; you may also click on **"LEGISLATION BY JURISDICTION"** and then click on Indiana within the map to see a list of legislative bills from the state.

American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) Anti-licensing & Regulation Legislation Continues to be Filed in Several Jurisdictions

In addition to the "Anti-licensing & Regulation" legislation filed in Texas that was reported in the January 2017 *Legislative E-news*, NASBA is monitoring similar legislation recently filed in Iowa, Missouri, Mississippi, Virginia, Connecticut and New Hampshire.

To view the legislation filed in these jurisdictions, click on the above **"LEGISLATION BY TOPIC"** link and then on the **"Lawful Occupation"** button; you may also click on **"LEGISLATION BY JURISDICTION"** and then click on the jurisdiction within the map to see a list of legislative bills from that state or territory.

Legislation Responding to the NC Dental Decision Continues to be Filed Across the Country

In addition the "Active Supervision" legislation already filed in Montana and New Jersey that was reported in the January 2017 Legislative E-news, NASBA continues to see other legislation filed in Nebraska, Mississippi and Virginia.

To view the legislation filed in these jurisdictions, click on the above **"LEGISLATION BY TOPIC"** link and then on the **"Active Supervision"** button; you may also click on **"LEGISLATION BY JURISDICTION"** and then click on the jurisdiction within the map to see a list of legislative bills from that state or territory.

CPA Firm Ownership Legislation Filed in New York



Florida Board of Podiatric Medicine Members Intend to Resign as a Result of NC Dental Decision



The two biggest stress points facing state legislatures as they convene are: Budgets and Tax Reform. See the 32 states most affected.



Outgoing U.S. Department of Labor Secretary, Thomas Perez, offers an "exit memo" that touches on how overly restrictive licensing laws can reduce employment opportunities and inter-state mobility, lower wages, and increase costs for consumers. Click here to read more.

Doc. No. 34GL-17-0233.*

Section 7(c)(1) of the UAA outlines the guidelines for non-CPA firm ownership. The UAA requires CPAs to retain a majority stake of at least 51 percent in a firm, allowing for non-CPAs to own a minority stake. As of today, with 2016 legislation signed into law in Delaware allowing for now-CPA ownership, 52 jurisdictions allow non-CPAs to own a minority state in CPA firms. In addition to New York, Hawaii and CNMI are the other jurisdictions that have not adopted the UAA language allowing for non-CPAs to own a minority stake in a CPA firm.

To view the legislation filed in New York, click on the above **"LEGISLATION BY TOPIC"** link and then on the **"Firm Ownership"** button; you may also click on **"LEGISLATION BY JURISDICTION"** and then click on the jurisdiction within the map to see a list of legislative bills from that state or territory.

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A Texas sunset panel calls for "sweep" of dental board over non-public-safety agenda.

Posted on January 6, 2017



States Take on Gas Taxes and Infrastructure

Many state legislatures will discuss infrastructure improvements this year. At least 12 legislatures are expected to propose raising gas tax rates.

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Licensing Reform Would Help Mississippians

Other Opinions Section – January 29, 2017

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Arleen E Gay

From: Dave Sanford <daves@stgguam.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2017 9:57 AM
To: boardsec@guamboa.org
Subject: FW: Becker CPA Review Program (UOG and GBOA)

ARLEEN – please include in next Board meeting package, Thanks! Dave

From: Dave Sanford [mailto:daves@stgguam.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 9, 2017 8:48 AM
To: 'jasonkatigbak@gmail.com -- Jason Katigbak' <jasonkatigbak@gmail.com>
Cc: 'Benjamin Wong' <bwong@becker.com>
Subject: RE: Becker CPA Review Program (UOG and GBOA)

Hi Jason,

We have a Board meeting next week Thursday, I'll present this to the Board for discussion and a decision on how they would like to move forward. Meantime, if Annette has any feedback, please let me know.

Thanks!

Dave

From: jasonkatigbak@gmail.com -- Jason Katigbak [mailto:jasonkatigbak@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 9, 2017 6:45 AM
To: Dave Sanford <daves@stgguam.com>
Cc: Benjamin Wong <bwong@becker.com>
Subject: Becker CPA Review Program (UOG and GBOA)

Hello Dave,

Based on our last telecon with Ben, it was discussed that it will be best to set the reimbursement system based on the "successful passing" of the exams; rather than the completing of the Becker CPA Review course at UOG.

Ben provided details and in this regard, the conditions for the Guam Board scholarship can be set as follows:

a. 50% reimbursement of Becker/UOG course when the students first sit for the CPA exam (This should help them pay for the CPA exam fee).

b. 50% reimbursement of Becker/UOG course and 50% exam fee when the students pass all 4 parts.

I would still need to get some feedback from UOG, before presenting them the above information. If we you can kindly go through and let us know there is anything else that needs to be modified.

Thank you.

Jason

Arleen E Gay

From: Dave Sanford <daves@stgguam.com>
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2017 2:30 AM
To: boardsec@guamboa.org
Subject: FW: Summary of Minutes, Plans, Action Items and Next Steps for UOG-GBOA-GSCPA related Initiatives

Arleen – please include in next board meeting package. Thanks! Dave

From: jasonkatigbak@gmail.com -- Jason Katigbak [mailto:jasonkatigbak@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 11, 2017 11:41 AM
To: Dave Sanford <daves@stgguam.com>; John Onedera <john.onedera@gu.ey.com>; Dr. Annette Santos <dr.annette.santos@gmail.com>; James Whitt <james.whitt@gu.ey.com>
Subject: Summary of Minutes, Plans, Action Items and Next Steps for UOG-GBOA-GSCPA related Initiatives

Dear All,

Provided below is the summary of calls, discussions and actions made during the last two weeks in relation to strengthening the accounting program of the University of Guam and develop CPA-exam ready students through the help of the GBOA and GSCPA.

A. Objective: Increasing Awareness of the CPA Exams

1. Initiative - U.S. CPA Mock Exam

- U.S. CPA Mock Exam (Event 2) - The second event of the GSCPA U.S. CPA Mock Exam will be on 18 March 2017 (Saturday) at the IT&E Lecture Hall, UOG SBPA.
- Coverage will be the BEC (Business Environment Concept) for 3 hours (9am - 12nn) on a weekend (Saturday).
- JAS was informed to communicate the event and have the students study for the mock exam.
- Becker AccountingMaster program will be used for the event (60 Multiple Choice Questions and 5 Task Based Simulations)
- The idea of having a top placer for the mock exam (highest passing candidate) is to be discussed by JAS officers. Nominal monetary incentive and recognition of achievement can be made.
- GSCPA will continue sponsoring the event, including a post event refreshments. The post-event can be a good opportunity to discuss the changes in the Exam. We can have a representative from the GBOA/GSCPA/Profession speak about it.

2. Initiative - JAS Company Tour - Prometric Testing Center

- Prometric Testing Center located at the 4th Floor of the Bank of Hawaii Building in Agana is where CPA candidates take the U.S. CPA Exam.
- Randy Jung, Manager from the Guam Prometric Testing Center was able to obtain clearance for UOG Students to visit the location on March 24, 2017 (Friday) at 3:00pm (no exam scheduled that time).
- JAS will provide the list of students who will participate on the event. This will be forwarded to Randy.

B. Objective: Provide Support to Students and Professionals for the CPA Exams

1. Initiative - Relaunch the Becker CPA Review Program

- Call was made (January 27) with Ben Wong of Becker and also Ealani from PIP to relaunch the Becker CPA Review Program.
- Another call was made (February 7) with Ben and also Dave to discuss the effectiveness of the existing reimbursement system of the Becker CPA Review Course at UOG.
- On the matter relating to the relaunching of the Becker CPA Review Course:
    - List of instructors for the course should be identified.
    - Such instructors should be trained on the Becker way of delivering the program.
    - Ben will be on island come June-July and can conduct the training and at the same time promote the program.
    - Support from UOG needed on promotion (website, etc.)
    - Identification of instructors, training and marketing and relaunching are the next steps.
- On the matter relating to the effectivity of the reimbursement program:
    - It was noted that only a couple of students who took the Becker CPA review program, actually took the exam and passed. The rest finished the course but did not take the actual exams.
    - KPI should be on "actual students passing the exam" rather than "passing the review course".
    - Proposed changes on the reimbursement program (which will be discussed by GBOA BOD) is as follows:
        - 50% reimbursement of the Becker/UOG course when the students first sit for the CPA exams. This should help the students defray some of the cost of the CPA exam fees.
        - 50% reimbursement of the Becker/UOG course and 50% exam fee when the student pass all 4 parts.

C. Initiative: Establish a nationally-sponsored student organization that will provide exposure to the students on the accounting profession, ethics and real-life working situations.

1. Plan of Action - Establish the Center for Public Trust (CPT) - Guam Chapter

- Call was made (February 10) with Ryan Hirsh and Alfonzo Alexander, together with John and Travis on establishing the CPT Guam Chapter.
- CPT student demographics consist mostly of accounting students (50%). Other business students can also be members and gain the benefit of ethical leadership training.
- For UOG, the CPT Guam Chapter can be sponsored through SBPA/JAS and increase membership to the other student bodies (public administration, etc.).
- Funding for the CPT Guam Chapter can be through GSCPA (noted on the last meeting, but need to have final resolution). Initial cost of establishing the student organization will be around $5K which will include marketing, training and admin support from NASBA. Students will benefit from exposure to ethical leadership training, interaction with professionals and conferences in the mainland.
- Student Organization form is completed and I will forward it to Clayton Okada (JAS President Elect) for processing with UOG Student Life. By-Laws, promotional materials, etc., will be provided by Ryan.
- NASBA can visit Guam and do a face-to-face launch of the CPT Guam Chapter and at the same time provide CPE training on ethical leadership to the accounting professional organizations in Guam (GSCPA and AGA).
- We can schedule the launch by next semester, but complete all the student organization requirements within this month.

D. Existing Program: Guam Visiting Professor Program

- Billy Morehead provided some ideas on how to assist the professionals on training.
- Billy and Mark conducted ethics and fraud training last year to accounting professionals.

- Billy suggested that a series of "after-work" workshops can be made on Yellow Book/Single Audit Act.
- We can also ask Mark to conduct "fraud related workshops" to professionals and also UOG educators.
- Billy will provide Mississippi College's accounting curriculum that incorporates the Becker CPA Review courses as an elective. He will also include the MBA program curriculum. This can be used to provide ideas on how to develop the next BBA + PMBA program with emphasis in accounting. He mentioned that we can discuss this further when he is on island come summer.

For your information.

Thank you.

Jason

December 30, 2016 to January 31, 2017

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UOGEF - Board of Accountancy Account Summary

Account No. 58101932 **Closing Value $1,184,649.00**

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Investment Objectives

Primary: Growth with a medium risk tolerance and a time horizon exceeding 10 years.

Activity

		This Statement		Year to Date
Beginning Balance	$	**1,169,122.65**	$	**1,169,122.65**
Deposits	$	0.00	$	0.00
Income	$	592.21	$	592.21
Withdrawals	$	(3,586.17)	$	(3,586.17)
Expenses	$	29.29	$	29.29
Change in Value	$	18,491.02	$	18,491.02
Ending Balance	$	**1,184,649.00**	$	**1,184,649.00**
Purchases	$	(590.82)	$	(590.82)
Sales/Redemptions	$	0.00	$	0.00

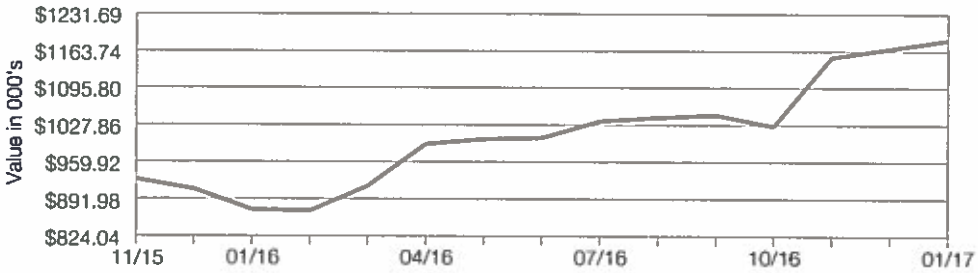
Time-Weighted Performance

See Understanding Your Statement for important information about these calculations.

Performance Inception 11/12/15	YTD	2016	2015
	1.33%	7.76%	(1.47)%

Excludes some limited partnerships, unpriced securities and annuity history prior to the annuity being linked to the account.

Value Over Time



Asset Allocation Analysis



		Value	Percentage
US Equities	$	530,922.58	44.84%
Non-US Equities	$	223,887.94	18.89%
Fixed Income	$	346,186.58	29.22%
Real Estate & Tangibles	$	-	-
Alternative Investments	$	-	-
Non-classified	$	9,146.55	0.77%
Cash & Cash Alternatives*	$	74,505.36	6.28%

*Not all Cash & Cash Alternatives are liquid; $52,878.02 is embedded in investment products

Morningstar asset allocation information is as of 01/30/2017 (mutual funds & annuities) and 01/20/2017 (529s).

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REGIONAL DIRECTORS' FOCUS QUESTIONS

To State Board Chairs/Presidents, Members and Executive Directors:

The input received from our Focus Questions is reviewed by all members of NASBA's Board of Directors, committee chairs and executive staff and used to guide their actions. We encourage you to place the following questions early on the agenda of your next Board meeting to allow for sufficient time for discussion. Only one set of responses should be submitted per Board. ***Please submit your Board's responses by April 10, 2017.***

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of person submitting form: *

Dave Sanford

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QUESTIONS

1. How would your Board acquire the expertise necessary to investigate an audit failure involving data analytics?

Hire an outside consultant

2. What type of training does your Board require investigators to undergo?

N/A

3. In brief, what are your Board's thoughts on the revised AICPA paper on administering the Peer Review Program?

Wait and see... the revised program sounds better, not sure how much better it really is?!

4. What is happening in your jurisdiction that is important for other State Boards and NASBA to know abo

Guam enacted individual mobility legislation

5. Can NASBA be of any assistance to your Board at this time?

6. NASBA Board of Directors would appreciate as much input on the above questions as possible. How w the responses shown above compiled? Please check all that apply.

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6. If you answered Other, please explain below:

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Need assistance with this form?

From: phartman@nasba.org -- Patricia Hartman
To: Dave Sanford
Subject: RE: (External) Sitting for exam before completing education
Date: Thursday, February 16, 2017 9:11:02 AM
Attachments: 120vs150.xlsx

The majority of states allow candidates to sit with 120 for exam. I'm attaching a list for your use. I would not issue a license until they completed the education.

We provide an Academic Credential Evaluation for several states that allow candidates to take the exam at 120 hours. Before they can apply for license in that state, they must be evaluated to determine if they met the education requirements for license.

In some states, they allow the candidate to apply for exam before they complete the education requirements. They usually require a Certificate of Enrollment from the registrars office and require them to complete the course work within a specific time. Here's a couple of examples of boards that allow this:

Kansas CPA Exam applicants may sit for the Exam up to 60 days before meeting the education requirements. The applicant will be required to submit final transcripts and any documents verifying completion of the education requirements to CPA Examination Services within 120 days after the applicant has taken the first section of the Exam. Failure to provide the required documentation within 120 days may result in the applicant's scores being voided, subject to notice and an opportunity for a hearing before the Board.

Tennessee: You may submit your application for the Exam while your education is still in progress; however, you must complete your education before you sit for any section of the Exam. No credit for the Exam will be given to you if you fail to successfully complete your education prior to sitting for the Exam.

Maine only requires 15 semester hours in accounting subjects to sit for the exam Here's their rules:

The following requirements are in effect as of **February 29, 2012**:
To qualify for the examination, you must:

- Be of good character and reputation; and
- Have earned at least a baccalaureate or higher degree conferred by a regionally accredited college or university acceptable to the Board and completed at least 120 semester hours of college level education; and
- Have completed 15 semester hours in one or more of the topics listed below. At least 3 semester hours must be earned in auditing and attestation services.
    - financial accounting and reporting for business organizations
    - financial accounting and reporting for government and not-for-profit entities
    - auditing and attestation services
    - managerial or cost accounting
    - taxation
    - fraud examination

- internal controls and risk assessment
- financial statement analysis
- accounting research and analysis
- tax research and analysis
- accounting information systems
- ethics relevant to the practice of public accounting

If you have conditional credit, you will be permitted to continue to sit for the examination. If your conditional credit is expired, you must successfully complete the basic courses in accounting and auditing before taking any additional sections of the examination.
Note: You shall be required to meet the 150 semester hour educational requirement to obtain a CPA License in the State of Maine. In addition, you will be required to disclose your Social Security Number on your license application as required by 10 M.R.S.A. §8003 (4-A). Solicitation of your Social Security Number is solely for tax administration purposes, pursuant to 36 MRS §175 as authorized by the Tax Reform Act of 1975 (42 USC §405(C)(2)(C)(i)). Your social security number will be disclosed to the State Tax Assessor or an authorized agent for use in determining filing obligations and tax liability and shall be treated as confidential tax information pursuant to 36 MRS §191.
The baccalaureate degree and 120 semester hours must be complete within 120 days following the actual date you took your first test section, or scores will not be released and credit for any completed part of the examination will not be given. The basic courses in accounting and auditing must be complete at the time of application. All educational transcripts, Certificate of Enrollments, and/or foreign evaluations are required to be submitted to CPA Examination Services. You may submit official school transcripts, Certificate of Enrollments and/or foreign evaluations separately or included with the first-time application.

Hawaii is another example: As a first-time applicant, you must:

1. be at least 18 years of age, and
2. meet the minimum educational requirement at the time of application OR expect to meet it within 120 days from the date that the Notice to Schedule is printed, which is:

- a baccalaureate degree in accounting conferred by a college or university acceptable to the Board; or
- a baccalaureate degree with a major in a subject other than accounting, plus 18 semester hours of upper division or graduate level accounting or auditing subjects, conferred by a college or university acceptable to the Board; or
- a baccalaureate degree or its equivalent in accounting, conferred by a college or university outside of the U.S., which has been reported on an educational course-by-course equivalency report prepared by an evaluator approved by the Board.

You may submit a letter of acceptance from an accredited U.S. college or university to its advanced degree program as evidence of a degree. **NOTE:** You are required to meet the 150 semester hour educational requirement to obtain a CPA License in the State of Hawaii.

These are all CPAES states, so we flag their records and they do not receive a pass letter if they do not send in the required materials. We also flag those like Kansas, and follow up as we receive attendance. Hope this helps.

Thanks!

Pat

From: Dave Sanford [mailto:daves@stgguam.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2017 4:43 PM
To: Patricia Hartman
Subject: (External) Sitting for exam before completing education

Hi Pat,

Lately we seem to be getting requests for licenses from applicants that have passed the exam but are missing a course like tax or audit, etc. though they have a degree.

The Board is reluctant to turn them away, but our rules say you must complete your education before sitting for the exam... with the exception of the new 18 month rule, that says you can sit for the exam before completing your degree but your grades will not be approved unless you furnish proof of completion of a degree or equivalent. We are thinking that we will condition this rule with having to prove you are enrolled in a degree program at the junior or senior level before it becomes available as an option for taking the exam early.

Question then becomes, can we accept these license candidates that are missing a class or two, but that have passed the exam as a candidate from another jurisdiction, by letting them take the missing classes and then approving their license?

How do the jurisdictions that allow sitting at 120 but licensure at 150 view the education requirement, if you have 120 hours but not all of the required accounting or business courses?

I'd appreciate any comments you have as it is up for discussion in this afternoon's board meeting. Thanks!

Dave

State	Education - 150 semester hours required to sit for exam	Education - Allows less than 150 semester hours to sit	Education - Allows less than 150 semester hours to sit only, but completion of 150 semester hours required within designated time as determined by specific state board
AL			Y
AK			Y
AZ		Y	
AR		Y	
CA		Y	
CO		Y	
CNMI		Y	
CT		Y	
DE		Y	
DC		Y	
FL		Y	
GA		Y	
GU		Y	
HI			Y
ID		Y	
IL			Y
IN			Y
IA		Y	
KS			Y
KY		Y	
LA		Y	
ME			Y
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NM		Y	
NY		Y	
NC		Y	
ND			Y
OH		Y	
OK	Y		
OR	Y		
PA		Y	
PR	Y		
RI		Y	
SC		Y	
SD			Y
TN		Y	
TX	Y		
UT		Y	
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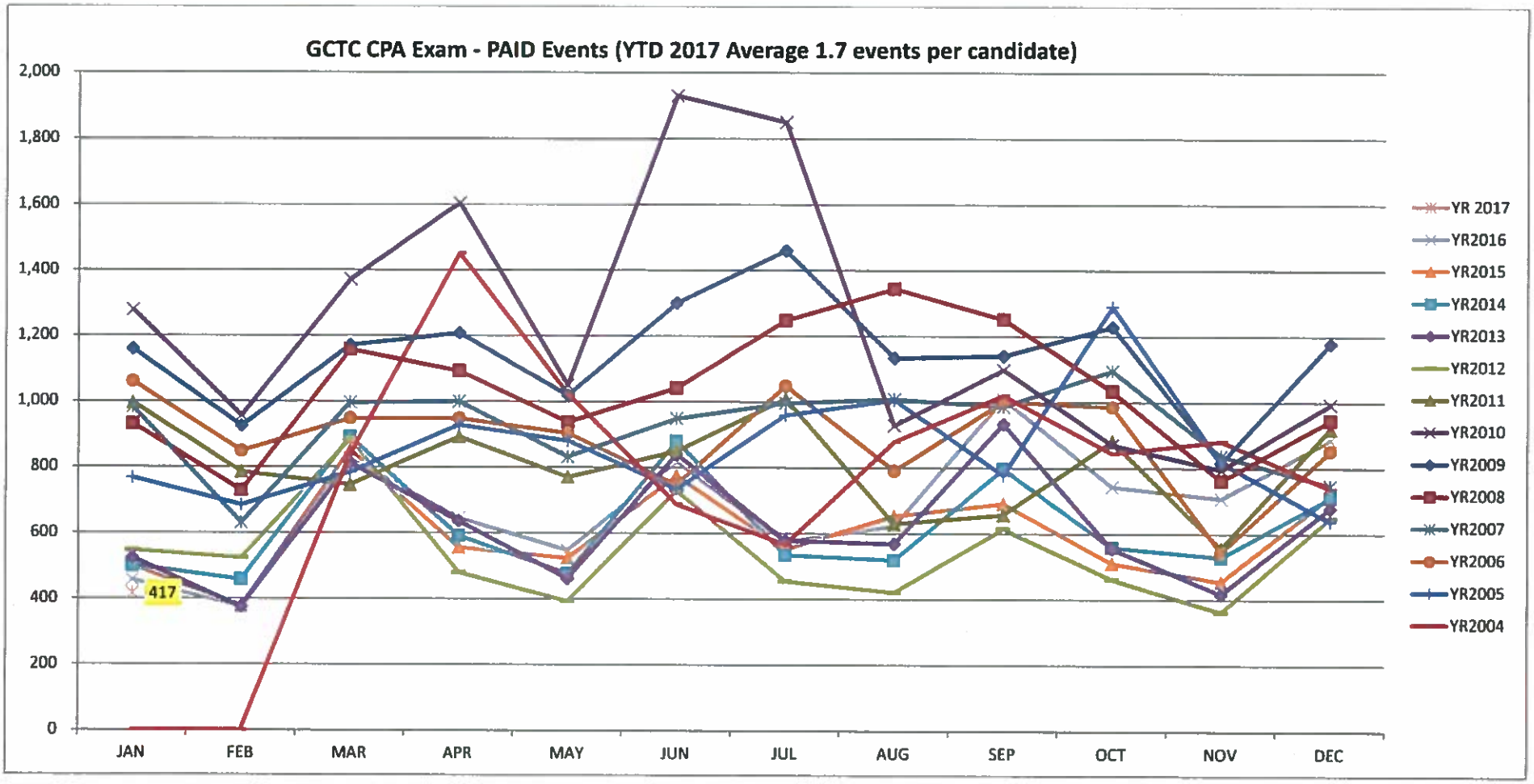
FY2017 Revenue, Expense and Fund Balance Summary w/History and FY2017 Budget

(Modified Accrual Basis: updated 2/15/17 mbs/dns)

BUDGET CATEGORY Description	NOTES	FY2013 Actual	FY2014 Actual	FY2015 Actual	FY2016 Actual	FY2017 Actual YTD 1/31/2017	FY2017 Approved Budget
REVENUES SUMMARY							
Exam Application Fees		79,050	80,300	89,750	120,900	49,000	80,000
Guam Computer Test Center Administration Fees		391,490	397,870	411,320	518,185	188,160	500,000
Certification Fees		49,200	54,200	60,725	100,750	45,200	55,000
Individual Licensing Fees		87,100	102,925	119,425	138,350	10,250	120,000
Firm Licensing Fees		3,800	5,325	5,675	5,450	0	5,000
Penalties/Miscellaneous Fees/Interest		10,590	9,560	16,762	12,302	3,961	0
TOTAL REVENUES		**621,230**	**650,180**	**703,657**	**895,937**	**296,571**	**760,000**
220 Travel		0	0	0	0	0	0
230 Contractual							
Administrative Services Contract		274,867	275,721	290,245	292,273	100,665	295,000
Legal Services Contract		0	0	0	0	0	0
Copier Services		5,920	6,136	4,301	5,638	2,073	6,500
Education & Testing		0	4,325	0	2,596	0	30,000
Others (Publications, Dues, etc.)		22,100	14,200	14,200	14,200	304	16,000
Web/Database development & maintenance		375	0	0	66	0	12,000
233 Office Space		23,868	23,868	23,868	23,868	7,956	24,000
240 Supplies		10,174	9,429	11,363	14,426	7,363	13,000
250 Small Equipment		2,907	1,319	1,963	2,384	332	5,000
290 Miscellaneous							
Bank Charges		4,784	5,392	6,424	9,391	2,896	7,000
Postage		11,990	15,266	14,322	28,365	8,725	20,000
Training		50	0	0	5,014	0	10,000
Notices/Compliance Investigations/Others		2,691	1,774	2,882	2,672	51	0
UOG Endowment Contribution		0	0	0	100,000	100,000	200,000
363 Telephone Services		0	0	0	0	0	0
450 Capitalized Equipment		0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		**359,726**	**357,429**	**369,567**	**500,893**	**230,365**	**638,500**
NET EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		**261,505**	**292,751**	**334,090**	**395,043**	**66,206**	**121,500**
FUND BALANCE:							
Beginning	(1)	**1,157,604**	**1,419,109**	**1,711,860**	**1,045,950**	**1,440,993**	**1,507,200**
UOG Endowment Contribution Paid (PL 32-191)				(1,000,000)			
Ending		**1,419,109**	**1,711,860**	**1,045,950**	**1,440,993**	**1,507,200**	**1,628,700**
Consisting of:							
Cash - Bank of Guam (established FY2008)		**344,918**	**1,194,789**	**521,899**	**644,962**	**753,973**	
Cash - Time Certificates of Deposit		**1,055,496**	**501,505**	**501,505**	**751,505**	**751,505**	
Accounts Receivable-NASBA		**50,765**	**43,505**	**47,600**	**69,790**	**27,510**	
Accounts Payable		(32,070)	(27,940)	(25,054)	(25,264)	(25,789)	
Net Fund Balance		**1,419,109**	**1,711,860**	**1,045,950**	**1,440,993**	**1,507,200**	
Restricted Fund Balance		**1,069,000**	**1,039,000**	**1,045,950**	**1,051,000**	**1,051,000**	
Unrestricted Fund Balance		**350,109**	**672,860**	**0**	**389,993**	**456,200**	

NOTES:

(1) During FY2017-Oct the Board paid $25,264 of prior year obligations, shown as FY2016 expenditures. There are no outstanding prior year encumbrances as of 10/31/2016.



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