

**BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY
CLAY FORD SCHOLARSHIP COUNCIL
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL
SEPTEMBER 17, 2013
MINUTES**

Chairperson Cynthia Borders-Byrd called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M.

**Council Members present were:
Ms. Cynthia Borders-Byrd, Chairperson
Mr. Ignacio Abella
Mr. Johnny Session
Mr. George Shierling
Dr. Forrest Thompson**

**Board staff in attendance:
Vyruss Hayes
Trecia Jenkins
Veloria Kelly
Karan Lee
DeWayne McBride**

**Others in attendance:
Mary Ellen Clark, Board Attorney**

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Forrest Thompson to deny Talha Al-Sayeed for failure to meet requirements; not currently enrolled. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Forrest Thompson to deny Akeyshia Hancock for failure to meet requirements; not currently enrolled. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Johnny Session to deny Jude Oscar for failure to meet requirements; have not completed 120 semester hours. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Johnny Session to approve Aimee Adams for fall 2013 and spring 2014 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Ignacio Abella to approve Claudia Brown for fall 2013 and spring 2014 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Johnny Session to approve Jeffrey Von for fall 2013 and spring 2014 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

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Motion was made by George Shierling and seconded by Johnny Session to award \$6,000.00 per semester to applicants who were approved for a total of \$36,000.00. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion – the Council members are inclined to make recommendation to the Board to look at the rules in regard to having meetings twice a year in order to ensure maximum participation of applicants. The Council would also like Board staff to get the word out regarding the scholarship by; creating flyers and letters to send to school's financial aid offices and chairpersons of the accounting department advising of scholarship and deadline, provide flyer to Council members in early spring of each year so that they can communicate with their network of contacts, and ask the Florida Institute of Certified Public Accounting to consider publishing the scholarship information in their magazine. Board staff will also work with the department communications office in getting the word out via the department face book and twitter account.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:27 A.M.



Cynthia Borders-Byrd, Chair