

BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY
CLAY FORD SCHOLARSHIP COUNCIL
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL
AUGUST 21, 2014
MINUTES

Chairperson Cynthia Borders-Byrd called the meeting to order at 9:03 A.M.

Council Members present were:

Ms. Cynthia Borders-Byrd, Chairperson

Mr. Igancio Abella

Mr. Johnny Session

Mr. George Shierling

Dr. Forrest Thompson

Board staff in attendance was:

Richard Evans

Trencia Jenkins

Veloria Kelly

Karan Lee

Others in attendance were:

Mary Ellen Clark, Board Attorney

Rivers Buford, Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants

Justin Thames, Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Forrest Thompson to approve the minutes of the August 2013 and September 2013 meeting. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Prior to reviewing applications for scholarships, the Council members wanted clarification on total funding for the 2014 – 2015 school year. The board's staff informed Council that the department can spend \$200,000 for the 2014 – 2015 school year. The board's attorney informed the Council that they cannot award more than the statute provide.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Johnny Session to deny the following incomplete applications; Tiffany Armstrong, Maria Cavillo, Michelle Crowe, Mazihel Fernandez, Lauren Maulsby, Jennifer Nelson, Gabriel Pena Davila, Yaricel Prida, Frank Rijo, Trudian Thomas, and Raisa Tiza. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Prior to reviewing the remaining 32 applications, council member Igancio Abella wanted clarification on eligibility criteria. The board's staff informed Council on the requirements set forth by Rule 61H1-38.004.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Forrest Thompson to approve Talha Al-Sayeed for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Forrest Thompson to deny Giselle Araiza for failure to meet requirements; GPA below 2.50. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

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Motion was made by Igancio Abella and second by George Shierling to approve Devin Archer for fall 2014 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Forrest Thompson and second by Johnny Session to approve Clara Ardon for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award pending the clarification that applicant has not completed 30 semester hours. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Forrest Thompson and second by George Shierling to approve Jocelyn Cardenas for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Forrest Thompson and second by Johnny Session to approve Kassandra Carr for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Forrest Thompson and second by George Shierling to approve Cassandra Christie for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Forrest Thompson and second by George Shierling to approve Elena Davis for spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Forrest Thompson and second by George Shierling to approve Marc Diaz for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Forrest Thompson and second by George Shierling to approve Cristina Gil Cano for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed with one committee member opposing.

Motion was made by Forrest Thompson and second by George Shierling to approve Wendy Gonzalez Costales for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Forrest Thompson and second by Igancio Abella to approve Sarah Hills for fall 2014. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Johnny Session to approve Kevin Hung for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award pending the completion of 120 semester hours. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Johnny Session to approve Christopher Jones for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award pending the completion of 120 semester hours. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Forrest Thompson to approve Viktoria Kzsamer for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

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Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Forrest Thompson to approve Hie Kim for fall 2014 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Johnny Session to approve Leonardo Molineros for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Forrest Thompson and second by George Shierling to approve Esperanza Perez for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Forrest Thompson and second by George Shierling to approve Raoul Vaughn for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed with one committee member opposing.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Igancio Abella to approve Samantha Riggs for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Igancio Abella and second by Johnny Session to approve Viviana Rivera for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Forrest Thompson to approve Taylor Rochelle for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed with one committee member oppose.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Igancio Abella to approve Steven Saballos for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Forrest Thompson to approve Javier Sanchez for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Johnny Session to deny Richard Sanon for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Igancio Abella and second by Forrest Thompson to approve Tara Sol for fall 2014. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Igancio Abella and second by Forrest Thompson to approve Jane Sukuro for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed with one committee member opposing.

Motion was made by Igancio Abella and second by Forrest Thompson to approve Ana Torres for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Johnny Session to approve Elijah Williams for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

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Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Johnny Session to approve Lilly Zaiter for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Forrest Thompson to approve Connie Zhang for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Johnny Session to approve Qian Zhang for fall 2014 and spring 2015 award. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Johnny Session to award scholarship in the amount of \$3,636.36 per semester to applicants who were approved for a total of \$199,999.80. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

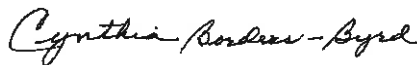
Motion was made by George Shierling and second by Forrest Thompson to award and equally distribute money returned from fall distribution due to ineligibility to approved applicants for the spring 2015 term. Upon vote the motion passed unanimously.

A five minute break was called at 11:13 A.M. by committee chairperson Cynthia Borders-Byrd.

Chairperson Cynthia Borders-Byrd recalled the meeting to order at 11:18 A.M.

Discussion – the Council recommended that changes be made to the Clay Ford Scholarship application. The recommended changes were noted and the council was informed by the board's attorney that some of the recommended changes will need to be researched further. A draft of the recommended changes will be completed and reviewed by the board's attorney. The council would like staff to contact the schools and ask if they have a dual/combo program. The council would like to see a copy of the draft minutes prior to next scheduled committee meeting. The committee would like to see the law changed in regards to money not used to determine if it can be carried forward to the next award year. Committee member George Shierling volunteered to meet with the institute to draft language that, if approved, would change the current law to carry forward unspent prior period funding to the next school year.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:46 A.M.



Cynthia Borders-Byrd, Chair