

**DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION  
FLORIDA BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY  
COMMITTEE ON CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION**

**JULY 30, 2014**

**CONFERENCE CALL**

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Maria Caldwell, Chair. The roll was called by Karan Lee reflecting the following:

**Committee members present:**

Maria Caldwell  
Dr. M. G. Fennema  
Jeffrey Haller  
Professor Gary Laursen  
Bill Michaelson  
Frank Puissegur

**Committee members absent:**

Madeline Domino  
Eric Robinson

**Staff members present:**

Veloria Kelly, Director  
Karan Lee  
Trecia Jenkins

**Others present:**

Mary Ellen Clark, Senior Assistant Attorney General and Board Counsel  
River Buford, Florida Institute of CPAs  
Angie Brooke, Florida Institute of CPAs  
Suzanne Lee, Bureau of Education and Testing

Motion was made by Dr. Fennema and seconded by Mr. Puissegur to approve the minutes from the May 28, 2014 meeting. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously.

## **PROBATIONARY SPONSORS**

LATITUDE FINANCIAL STRATEGIES 0006164  
WINDERMERE, FL

DASZKAL BOLTON, LLP 0002240  
BOCA RATON, FL

There was some discussion questioning why the probationary sponsors are coming before the Committee for approval when they have already been approved. Director Kelly explained the process to the Committee and informed them that the list is presented to them to inform them of the providers that have been approved. Director Kelly informed the Committee and confirmed with Mary Ellen Clark, board counsel, that maybe we should change the title of this item. Ms. Clark agreed and suggested changing the title to “Review of Department Approved Sponsors.”

Director Kelly also updated the Committee on their request regarding the process for approving probationary sponsors. She informed them that the Bureau of Education and Testing is working on a presentation and should have it available at the next CPE Committee meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. Michaelson and seconded by Mr. Puissegur to approve the probationary sponsors as listed above. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

## **ETHICS**

Review Ethics Provider and Course Application for:

### **A. CPE Inc. (Center for Professional Education, Inc.)**

1. Florida Ethics: An Overview for Accountants – Live Study – 4 CPE hours

Motion was made by Mr. Michaelson and seconded by Mr. Haller to approve the ethics provider and course application as listed above. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

### **B. MasterCPE LLC**

1. Ethics for Florida CPAs – Self-Study-4 CPE hours

Motion was made by Professor Laursen and seconded by Mr. Puissegur to approve the ethics provider and course application as listed above. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

There was some discuss about the standards for approving ethics courses. Ms. Clark, informed the Committee that Rule 61H1-33.00342 sets the standards for approving ethic courses. Ms. Caldwell stated that she will discuss this matter with the Board at their next meeting to see if maybe they would like to revise the rules to provide specific guidelines on the coverage and time spent on Florida statues and rules.

**FUTURE MEETING DATE**

October 16, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 9:39 a.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Maria E. Caldwell". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Maria Caldwell, Chair