



**Occupational and Professional Licensing Administration  
BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY**

**Meeting Minutes  
August 17, 2018**

The District of Columbia Board of Accountancy (Board) held its regularly scheduled meeting on Friday, August 17, 2018, at 1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW, 3rd Floor, Washington DC, 20024.

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The meeting was called to order at 9:13 a.m. by Board Chair, Robert Todero, and attendance was taken.

**Board Members Present:** Robert Todero, Joseph Drew, Antonia Browning Smiley and Angela Avant

**Board Members Absent:** Kayla Futch

**Staff Present:** Grace Yeboah Ofori, Board Administrator, Cynthia Briggs, Board/Commission Executive, Vince Parker, Administrator, and Kevin Cyrus, Education Coordinator.

**Legal Counsel:** Kia Winston

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**Agenda Items: Public Consumers and Comments from the Public:**

Ms. Welansa Mekonnen and Mr. Paul Thrasher attended from the Greater Washington Society of CPAs. Mr. Vince Parker, Administrator, BPLA was also present and informed the Board of Mr. Cooks' retirement and expectations for the board.

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**Agenda Items: Acceptance of Minutes**

Upon motion duly made by member Antonia Smiley and properly seconded by member Angela Avant, the Board voted unanimously to approve the June 1, 2018, Board meeting minutes.

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**Agenda Items: Old Business**

Review Board Calendar – 2018 Meeting dates - The board reviewed the proposed 2018 meeting dates. The November meeting date might change. No changes were made to the meeting dates. The upcoming conferences were also discussed

January 5

February 2

March 2



April 6 (Recess)	May 11	June 1
July 6 (No meeting)	August 17	September 7
October 5	November 2	December 7

**2018 NASBA Conferences/Meetings Calendar**  
**111th Annual Meeting – Oct. 28-31, 2018, Scottsdale, AZ**

**New Business**

**Eastern Regional Meeting – June 5-7, 2018, Orlando, FL**

2018 NASBA Eastern Regional Meeting Conference 2018 Report – Mr. Todero led the discussion on some of the topics that were covered this year which included new regulatory developments facing the accounting profession. Notably, the recent consideration by NASBA and AICPA of a New Pathway to the CPA designation. Dr. Joseph Drew also added to the discussion.

Review of Regulations – Examination, Examination Security and Irregularities - The board discussed changes to the Municipal Regulations in regards to Examination Security and Irregularities. Further review, recommendations and discussion ensued.

Q1 2018 Candidate Care Concerns Report- The board had a discussion regarding the reported problems with the CPA examination during Testing Window Q1: January 1 – February 28, 2018.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion duly made by member, Ms. Angela Avant, and properly seconded by member, Ms. Antonia Smiley, the Board unanimously voted to enter into closed session at 9:56 a.m. pursuant to the authority of D.C. Official Code Section 2-575(b) (4) (A) to seek the advice of counsel, D.C. Official Code Section 2-575(b) (9) to discuss disciplinary matters, and D.C. Official Code Section 2-775(b)(13) to deliberate upon a decision in an adjudication action or proceeding.

- Complaints/legal matters
- Applications

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**Agenda Item: Reinstatement Applications**

The following actions were taken as a result of the closed session:

- Upon motion duly made by board member, Ms. Angela Avant, and properly seconded by member, Ms. Antonia Smiley, the Board unanimously voted to approve the technical review applications.

<b>TECHNICAL REVIEW APPLICATION</b>		
<b>NAME</b>	<b>LICENSE TYPE</b>	<b>APPROVED</b>
<b>Jeffrey Tidona</b>	CPA- RECIPROCITY	X
<b>Jeffrey Scott Gerland</b>	CPA- RECIPROCITY	X
<b>Douglas James Orth</b>	CPA- RECIPROCITY	X

**Agenda Item: Legal Matters: None**



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**Agenda Item: Correspondence – PCAOB Notice of Disciplinary Action Against Deloitte & Touche LLP and Notice from Administration for United States District Court – Information relating to a proposed settlement of a class action lawsuit sent on behalf of KPMG.**

**Adjourn**

Upon motion duly made by Board member, Ms. Antonia Smiley, and properly seconded by member, Ms. Angela Avant, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 10:05 a.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Accountancy is Friday, September 7, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., at 1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room E300, Washington, DC

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Robert Yodero, Chair

9-7-2018  
Date

Recorder: Grace Yeboah Ofori, Board Administrator