

Occupational and Professional Licensing
District of Columbia Board of Accountancy
1100 4th Street, SW Suite 400
Washington, DC 20024



Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2025

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The District of Columbia Board of Accountancy (Board) held its regularly scheduled meeting on Friday, April 4, 2025. This was a virtual meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Board Chair, Robert Todero, and attendance taken.

Board Members Present: Robert Todero, Joseph Drew, Antonia Browning Smiley and Jason Danielson.

Board Members Absent: (None)

Staff Present: Angela Meggett-Strudwick, Board Administrator; Leon W. Lewis, Program Manager, Kevin Cyrus, Education Coordinator; A'layza Mitchell, Program Support Specialist, OPL; Terry Bryant, Program Support Specialist, OPL; Jahmai Jefferson, Program Support Specialist, OPL; Demetrius Norman, Chief Customer Experience Officer, Office of the Director; Kiberly Brown, Legal Specialist, BEGA OOG; Jacqueline Noisette, Deputy Associate Administrator, (Joined 3:10 p.m.).

Legal Counsel: Jessica Rice, Attorney Advisor; April Randall, Legislative and Public Affairs Director, Jennifer Durden, Paralegal OPL.

Public Consumers Present: Kari Bedell, Greater Washington Society of CPAs (GWCPAs).

Agenda Item: Comments from the Public: Kari Bedell inquired where DC stands on introduction to licensure legislation. She inquired if DC was on track for implementation in alignment with other neighboring States, which is January one of 2026.

Agenda Item: Legislative Rule Making

- **Legislative Update** – Ms. Randall gave a brief update explaining the rulemaking path available to the DC Board of Accountancy to take. Amending the legislation as it relates to the co-provision that will amend the law to allow for amendments to licensure requirements by rulemaking. Currently, the licensure requirements, as it relates to hours of education and training, are all spelled out in the code. So thus, when there are changes that the Board wants to recommend that the mayor makes, presently, we must submit legislation. If it's determined it will not be included in the Budget Support Act (BSA), that will not be the end. The agency could then move to proceed by introducing a standalone bill. She has worked on both and is working with her legal team and the Executive Director, Tiffany Crow, who is fully supportive of getting this amendment through because it helps to remove barriers. She will provide an update as the process moves along. Ms. Randall also gave the board an update on the Financial Disclosure Statement, (FDS) requirements and training schedule.

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Agenda Item: New Business

- *DLCP New Travel Policy* – Leon Lewis informed the Board that they would need a waiver and approval by the Office of The City Administrator to travel moving forward.

Agenda Item: Acceptance of Draft Minutes

March 7, 2025, Draft Minutes will be presented in the next meeting.

Agenda Item: Report - Applications for Licensure

Upon motion, duly made at 3:30 p.m. by board member Joseph Drew, and properly seconded by board member Antonia Browning Smiley, the Board unanimously voted to approve the list of accountancy applications for licensure, attached hereto and made a part of April 4, 2025, minutes.

Agenda Items: 2025 NASBA Conferences/Meetings & Events Calendar

Upcoming Events

Western Regional Meeting - June 17-19, 2025, New Orleans, LA

Eastern Regional Meeting - June 24-26, 2025, Philadelphia, PA

118th Annual Meeting - Oct. 26-29, 2025, Chicago, IL

“Reserve the date”

Eastern Regional Meeting - June 24-26, 2025, Philadelphia, PA

Proposed 2025 Board Meeting Dates – The scheduled board meeting dates and upcoming conferences as listed.

January (Recess)	February 7	March 7	April 4 (Added in the meeting)
May 2	June (Recess)	July 11	August (Recess)
September 5	October (Recess)	November 7	December (Recess)

Agenda Item: Old Business

Accountancy Board Outreach Efforts – Jahmai Jefferson updated the board on the Savoy Elementary School Career Day outreach event on March 21, 2025, and Jacqueline Noisette gave the board an update on the outreach activities the agency plans to engage in this year for the boards and commissions.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session this meeting.

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Agenda Item: Technical Review:

- *None*

Agenda Item: Legal Matters:

- *None*

Adjourn

Upon motion, duly made at 3:41 p.m. by board member Joseph Drew, and properly seconded by board member Antonia Browning Smiley, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn.

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Accountancy will be May 9, 2025, call in/virtual.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Todero", is written above a horizontal line.

Robert Todero, Chair

May 9, 2025

Date

Recorder: Angela Meggett-Strudwick, Board Administrator