Richard Bell CPA, JD, President Shane Warrick CPA, PhD, Secretary Christina Ellis CPA, Treasurer



Deana Infield CPA
Denny Woods JD
Ron Pitts CPA - Inactive

Jimmy Corley CPA
Executive Director

Board Meeting Minutes

March 24, 2023

A regular meeting of the Arkansas State Board of Public Accountancy was held with Richard Bell, President, presiding. Other members of the Board in attendance were Christina Ellis, Deana Infield and Shane Warrick. Members of the staff in attendance were Jimmy Corley - Executive Director, Dale Edge – Investigator, Tim Montgomery – Investigator, and Kathrine Stone - Licensing Coordinator. Also in attendance were Marsha Moffitt and Gina Moran of the Arkansas Society of CPAs, and Sarah Farris - Legal Counsel.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bell officially called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m. A quorum was found to be present.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Legislation for Board Terms:</u> Proposed changes to A.C.A. §17-12-201 were discussed by the Board. This is the law regarding the membership make-up of the Board. Recommended changes included:

- 1. Removing outdated portions such as the Public Accountant requirement and the grading of examinations;
- 2. Removing the age requirement from one of the non-CPA Board members; and
- 3. Changing the eligibility for reappointment requirement.
- A motion was made and seconded to request the Arkansas Society of CPAs to seek sponsorship of a bill that would make the recommended changes discussed above. The motion passed.

<u>Future Board Member Appointments/Recommendations to Secretary Bassett:</u> Discussions were held regarding filling the two vacant Board positions.

- A motion was made and seconded to make a recommendation to Secretary Bassett for Mr. Jimmy Corley to fill the remaining term of Mr. Ron Pitt's vacancy. The motion passed.
- A motion was made and seconded to make a recommendation to Secretary Bassett for Mr. Pierre-Alain Sur to fill the Ms. Deana Infield's vacancy. The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT
A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.