Alabama State Board of Public Accountancy Minutes of Board Meeting March 4, 2021

1. <u>Date, Place and Attendance of Meeting:</u>

A special called meeting of the Alabama State Board of Public Accountancy was held on Thursday, March 4, 2021, virtually via Microsoft Teams, at 2:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Dr. Steve Grice, CPA

Mr. J. Earl Blackmon, CPA Mr. Michael Kintz, CPA Mr. Delbert Madison Ms. Rita Prince, CPA Mr. Wim Schaffers, CPA

Ms. Connie Sheppard-Harris, CPA

No Board Members were absent.

A lawful quorum of the Board was present for the meeting.

Also present were D. Boyd Busby, Executive Director; Billington M. Garrett, General Counsel; Amy Thompson, Senior Accountant; Teresa Taylor, Enforcement Coordinator; April Bird, IT Coordinator; Anna Baker, Exam Coordinator; Nicole Robinson, CPE Administrator; and Jeanine Birmingham, President and CEO of the Alabama Society of CPAs.

Sufficient prior notice of the meeting had been given as required by the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

2. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Steve Grice, CPA, Chair.

3. Approval of Agenda:

Mr. Blackmon made a motion to approve the agenda as presented for the March 4, 2021 meeting. Mr. Schaffers seconded and the motion carried on a roll call vote. Voting in favor of the motion were Messrs. Blackmon, Grice, Kintz, Madison, Schaffers, and Ms. Prince. Ms. Sheppard-Harris was having technical difficulties and did not vote.

4. Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Blackmon made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2021 meeting. Ms. Prince seconded and the motion carried on a roll call vote. Voting in favor of the motion were Messrs. Blackmon, Grice, Kintz, Madison, Schaffers, and Ms. Prince. Ms. Sheppard-Harris was having technical difficulties and did not vote.

5. Discussion on Remote Testing

The Board had a discussion on NASBA's request for the Board to consider acceptance of exam scores earned during a pilot of remote testing of the CPA Exam. After a brief discussion, Mr. Schaffers made a motion that the Board approve remote testing sites as defined by Prometric for the proposed pilot of remote proctoring of the CPA Examination. Ms. Sheppard-Harris seconded and the motion carried on a roll call vote. Voting in favor of the motion were Messrs. Blackmon, Grice, Kintz, Madison, Schaffers, and Mses. Prince and Sheppard-Harris.

6. Other Business:

No additional business was presented to the Board.

7. Adjournment of Meeting:

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Friday, May 14, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. held virtually if Governor Ivey's Safer-At-Home Order remains in place. There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Kintz made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Madison seconded and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Delbert Madison

Secretary

Approved:

Steve Grice, CPA

Chair