

FLORIDA BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY
CLAY FORD SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL
AUGUST 24, 2021
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 11:02 a.m. by William Benson, Chair.

I. Roll Call

The roll was called by Trecia Jenkins, Regulatory Consultant, and reflected the following:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

William Benson, Chair
Lynda Dennis
Eduardo Duarte
Ashley Hill
George Shierling

STAFF PRESENT

Roger Scarborough, Director
Aerin Davison
Trecia Jenkins
Karan Lee
Niyati Bhatt

OTHERS PRESENT

Rachelle Munson, Assistant Attorney General and Board Counsel
Justin Thames, Florida Institute Certified Public Accounting

II. Ratify minutes from August 24, 2020 meeting

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Mr. Eduardo, to approve the August 24, 2020, minutes. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

III. Consider Scholarship Applications:

1. Centi, Sharielle

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Ms. Dennis, to approve the application for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

2. Fields, Latrice

Motion was made by Mr. Duarte, seconded by Mr. Shierling, to approve the application for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

3. Fundora Pereira, Lisbet

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Mr. Duarte, to approve the application for Fall 2021. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

4. Gomez, Sofia

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Mr. Duarte, to approve the application for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

5. Hoang, Nguyet Thi Minh

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Mr. Duarte, to approve the application for Spring 2022 pending completion of 120 semester hours and verification of full-time enrollment. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

6. Jagos, Abigail

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Mr. Duarte, to approve the application for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

7. Jones, Katherine

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Ms. Dennis, to approve the application for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

8. Liang, Zhishan

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Mr. Duarte, to approve the application for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

9. Liebrecht, Alexander

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Ms. Dennis, to deny the application for being incomplete. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

10. Manzanelli, Julieta

Motion was made by Ms. Dennis, seconded by Mr. Shierling, to deny the application for being incomplete. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

11. Moorman-Lage, Isabella

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Mr. Duarte, to approve the application for Fall 2021. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

12. Nguyen, Amy

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Mr. Duarte, to approve the application for Fall 2021. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

13. Point Dujour, Crystal

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Mr. Duarte, to approve the application for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

14. Rodriguez, Bryanna

Motion was made by Mr. Duarte, seconded by Mr. Shierling, to approve the application for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

15. Roy, Tanya

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Mr. Duarte, to deny the application for being ineligible. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

16. Salzman, Jodi

Motion was made by Mr. Duarte, seconded by Mr. Shierling, to approve the application for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

17. Sherwood, Emily

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Ms. Hill, to approve the application for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

18. Smith, Dyezae

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Ms. Hill, to deny the application for being incomplete. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

19. Torres, Marial

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Ms. Hill, to deny the application for being incomplete. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously with Ms. Dennis opposing.

20. White, Heather

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Ms. Hill, to deny the application for being incomplete. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

21. Wilson, Madison

Motion was made by Mr. Shierling, seconded by Mr. Duarte, to deny the application for being incomplete. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

A total of 24 semesters were awarded in the amount of \$6,000.00 per semester for a grand total of \$144,000.00.

IV. Clay Ford Scholarship Advertisement Information

1. Clay Ford Scholarship Flyer sent to Florida Schools College of Business and Financial Aid Office

This was an informational item.

V. Administrative Matters

1. Rules and Statute

This was an informational item.

2. Statistical Data

This was an informational item.

3. Schools Graduate Accounting Program Cost of Attendance

This was an informational item.

4. Executive Director and/or Licensing Supervisor Comments.


Director Scarborough shared with the Committee our awareness that application numbers have declined. Secretary Brown and the FICPA are working together to publicize scholarships offered and/or awarded by both parties when appropriate. For example, the FICPA has agreed to acknowledge the Clay Ford Scholarship winners at the FICPA's "Scholarship Night" events when they recognize winners of FICPA scholarships.

Director Scarborough asked the Committee to let us know if they have any ideas on ways to get the word out or who to communicate with.

Mr. Shierling requested that someone ask the Board to change the scholarship award cap from \$6,000 to \$8,000 per semester per student. Mr. Benson stated he would work with the Director Scarborough to develop a proposal for the Board.

VI. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:26 p.m.



William Benson, Chair