

VERMONT BOARD OF PHARMACY–Approved Minutes
Secretary of State, Office of Professional Regulation
89 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Montpelier, VT 05620-3402
May 28, 2014 at 9:00 AM

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:02 AM, by Jeffrey Firlik, Chair.

Members Present: Mr. Jeffrey Firlik, RPh, Chair; Ms. Judith Wernecke, Public Member, Secretary; Mr. King Milne, RPh; Ms. Stephanie Ibey, RPh; James Arisman, Esq., and Mr. Robert Carpenter, RPh.

Members Absent: Mr. Larry Labor, RPh, Vice Chair

OPR Personnel Present: Mr. Ronald Klein RPh, Executive Officer; Mr. Larry Novins, Board Counsel and Ms. Aprille Morrison, Licensing Board Specialist.

Guests: Randall Noonchester (Crown Laboratories) and Jeff Cohen

2. The Chair called for approval of the Minutes of the April 30, 2014 meeting. Mr. Carpenter made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. Wernecke seconded the motion. Motion passed.

3. **Hearings/Stipulations *et al*:**

Stipulation and Consent Order: Corner Drug Co., Inc. and William Aimi, Docket #'s 2013-574 and 2013-575. Mr. Carpenter made a motion to accept the stipulation and consent order as presented. Ms. Ibey seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Preliminary Denial: Crown Laboratories, Inc. The Board reversed the preliminary denial decision. Crown Laboratories, Inc.'s license will be issued.

Jeff Cohen addressed the Board regarding his current stipulation and consent order. Mr. Cohen informed the board of the actions he has taken to remain current with pharmacy practice, and competent should his pharmacist license be reinstated. Prosecuting Attorney Gabriel Gilman was present and discussed with the board possible conditions for a probationary license for Mr. Cohen.

4. **Report of Concluded Investigation:** None

5. **Guests:** None

6. **Case Manager's Report:** There are currently 25 active cases. Fifteen (15) are in various stages of investigation, two (2) are pending closing report, one (1) is pending hearing, and seven (7) are pending charges.

7. **Legislation/Rulemaking:**

Mr. Novins informed the Board that the Administrative Rules have passed Legislature and will be in effect as of June 1, 2014. The Board would like to look into possible changes mandating certification of pharmacy technicians. Mr. Carpenter will begin research on other states Laws and Rules. The Board has agreed that this is an area they would like to move forward in.

8. **Review Applications for licensure:** None

9. **Executive Officer Report:**

Mr. Klein reported on the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) annual meeting. Mr. Klein, Ms. Ibey and Mr. Carpenter attended the meeting.

Mr. Klein informed the Board about the NABP Executive Officer forum to be held October 14 & 15. Mr. Firlik made a motion for Mr. Klein to attend this meeting. Mr. Arisman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mr. Klein informed the Board about the NABP Member forum to be held December 2 & 3. Mr. Carpenter made a motion for Mr. Firlik and one other Board member to attend this meeting. Mr. Arisman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mr. Klein reminded the Board about the NABP District 1 & 2 meeting to be held October 5-7. This will be added to the agenda as a discussion item for the June Board meeting.

10. **Discussion Items:**

Mr. Klein reminded the Board that Mr. Firlik's term on the Board of Pharmacy is up as of December 2014. He is not eligible for reappointment. If any of the Board members know of an interested party they should urge them to contact the Governor's office to complete the application process for gubernatorial appointment.

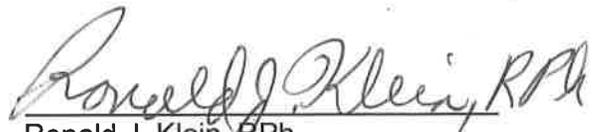
James Heal contacted the Board requesting guidance on sales of Plan B (aka Morning After pill) and having to take a class to be able to prescribe this. The Board felt that this was a non-issue as Plan B is now an over the counter drug. Mr. Klein will contact Mr. Heal.

11. Mr. Carpenter made a motion to adjourn at 11:52 am. The motion was seconded by Mr. Arisman. Motion Passed.

Respectfully Submitted:



Judith Wernecke, Secretary
Vermont Board of Pharmacy



Ronald J. Klein, RPh
Executive Officer
Vermont Board of Pharmacy