

Board of Pharmacy
Secretary of State, Office of Professional Regulation
National Life Building, North, Floor 2, Montpelier, VT 05620-3402
Unapproved Minutes
Meeting of July 27, 2011

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 A.M.

Members present: Julie A. Eaton, R.Ph., Chair; Steven M. Vincent, R.Ph.; Judith Wernecke; Earl W. Pease, Pharm.D.; and Larry Labor, R.Ph.

Members absent: Jeffrey P. Firlik, R.Ph., Vice-Chair and Emma J. Pudvah.

OPR Personnel present: Larry S. Novins, Board Counsel; Daniel Vincent, Inspector; Peter Comart, Unit Administrator; Carla Preston, Case Manager and Kristy Kemp, Administrative Assistant.

2. The Chair called for approval of the Minutes of the June 22nd meeting. Mr. Vincent made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pease, to approve the Minutes of the June 22, 2011 meeting as written. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **Guests:**

4. **Hearings/Stipulations *et al.***

- a. Albert E. Crease, Docket Number 2011-349. Larry S. Novins presided for the Board. Prosecuting Attorney, Gregg Meyer presided for the State. Mr. Vincent made a motion, seconded by the Chair, to accept Mr. Crease's voluntary relinquish of his license pending further proceedings. The Board went into deliberative session from 9:52 a.m. to 10:01 a.m. Motion passed. Mr. Labor, Investigating Member, did not participate in the vote.
- b. A Summary Suspension hearing was held in the matter of Erica L. Lemire, Docket Number 2011-443. Larry S. Novins presided for the Board. Prosecuting Attorney, Gregg Meyer presided for the State. The Board went into deliberative session from 10:17 a.m. to 10:22 a.m. Mr. Labor made a motion, seconded by the Chair, to accept the State's request to summarily suspend Ms. Lemire's registration. Motion passed. Mr. Vincent, Investigating Member, did not participate in the vote.

5. **Reports:**

6. **Follow-up Cases**

Carla Preston, Case Manager, provided updates on current and follow-up cases. There are currently 73 pending cases.

7. **Legislation/Rulemaking:**

8. **Complaints/Reports of Concluded Investigations:**

The Board reviewed the following Reports of Concluded Investigations and took action as indicated.

2010-549 - The Board reviewed the Report of Concluded Investigation. Mr. Vincent made a motion, seconded by Mr. Labor, to accept the Investigative Team's recommendation and conclude the case without formal prosecution. Motion passed. Mr. Pease, Investigating Member, did not participate in the vote.

2010-586 - The Board reviewed the Report of Concluded Investigation. Mr. Vincent made a motion, seconded by Ms. Wernecke, to accept the Investigative Team's recommendation and conclude the case without formal prosecution. Motion passed. The Chair, Investigating Member, did not participate in the vote.

2011-33 - The Board reviewed the Report of Concluded Investigation. The Chair made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pease, to accept the Investigative Team's recommendation and conclude the case without formal prosecution. Motion passed. Mr. Labor, Investigating Member, did not participate in the vote.

9. **Applications for Licensure as Pharmacists:**

Mr. Firlik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Labor, to approve the following applicants for licensure as a pharmacist. Motion passed unanimously.

Marwa A. Aboukhatwa, PharmD (Endorsement)
Robert O. Benjamin, R.Ph. (Endorsement)
Elizabeth R. Brown-Higdon, PharmD (Endorsement)
Andrew B. Carpenter, PharmD (Endorsement)
Carrie C. Chew, PharmD (Examination)
Charles M. Cook, PharmD (Examination)
Douglas J. Franzoni, Jr., PharmD (Examination)
Graziella R. Furnari, PharmD (Endorsement)
Aleksey Grokhotov, PharmD (Endorsement)
Lauren A. Hannemann, PharmD (Examination)
Whitney B. LaPier, PharmD (Examination)
Gerard F. Miller, R.Ph. (Endorsement)
Jeffrey P. Post, R.Ph. (Endorsement)
Christopher A. Saunders, PharmD (Examination)
Christina N. Sheehan, PharmD (Examination)
Matthew S. Urbach, PharmD (Examination)
Tyler R. Wingood, PharmD (Examination)
Nonik Zadikian, PharmD (Examination)

Branda Dorr (Reinstatement) – The Board reviewed Ms. Dorr's application for reinstatement. Based on the information provided, the Board has approved Ms. Dorr to sit for the MPJE for Vermont.

Applications for Registration of Out of State Telepharmacy Pharmacists:

Mr. Firlik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Labor, to approve the following application for registration as an Out-of-State Telepharmacist. Motion passed unanimously.

Timothy J. Walsh

10. In-State Drug Outlets:

The Board reviewed the following applications for in-state pharmacies and took action as indicated.

- a. **AADCO Medical Inc.**, 2279 Vermont Route 66, Randolph, VT, submitted an Application for Licensure for Wholesale Distribution of Drugs. An initial inspection is required.
- b. Kinney Drugs, Inc., **d/b/a Kinney Drugs, Inc. #105**, 16 Church Street, Barton, VT, submitted an application for a new remote pharmacy pilot project. The facility has successfully passed its initial inspection. A temporary license has been issued and is set to expire on August 15, 2011. Passed initial inspection on June 15, 2011. Affidavit and proof of DEA registration is required.
- c. Pharmacy Network, LLC, **d/b/a Community Health Pharmacy**, 4 Slapp Hill, Hardwick, VT, submitted an application for a new remote pharmacy pilot project. The facility has successfully passed its initial inspection. A temporary license has been issued and is set to expire on June 30, 2011. Final inspection performed on June 14, 2011. Affidavit and proof of DEA registration is required. The Board voted to extend the temporary license until July 31, 2011.

11. Change in Pharmacist Managers:

Mr. Pease made a motion, seconded by Ms. Wernecke, to approve the following changes in pharmacist managers. The question was called and the motion passed unanimously.

- a. **McGregor's Medicine on Time Pharmacy**, (038-3337), located at 321 Main Street, Winooski, Vermont, submitted an application for change in pharmacist manager from Michele Kartschoke to Corey J. Duteau.
- b. **Shaw's, D/b/a Osco Pharmacy #7516/412**, (038-3318), located at 160 Paine Turnpike N., Berlin, Vermont, submitted an application for change in pharmacist manager from Brian D. Persons to Maureen S. Shannon.
- c. **Southwestern Vermont Medical Center**, (037-1579), located at 100 Hospital Drive, Bennington, Vermont, submitted an application for change in pharmacist manager from Christina M. Betit to Michael R. Iglinski.

12. Non-Resident Pharmacies:

A few non-resident pharmacy applications with no record of prior disciplinary actions were approved since the last meeting based on their completed applications. The Board was provided with the names of the facilities and found no issues.

The Board reviewed the following applications with prior disciplinary action. Based on the information provided, Mr. Labor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pease, to approve the non-resident pharmacies for licensure. Motion passed unanimously.

CuraScrip, Inc., D/b/a CuraScript SP Specialty Pharmacy – Indianapolis, IN.
US Bioservices – Boothwyn, PA.

13. **Non-Resident Wholesaler/Manufacturer Drug Outlets:**

A few non-resident wholesale distributor applications with no record of prior disciplinary actions were approved since the last meeting based on their completed applications. The Board was provided with the names of the facilities and found no issues.

The Board reviewed the following applications with prior disciplinary action. Based on the information provided, The Chair made a motion, seconded by Mr. Labor, to approve the non-resident pharmacies for licensure. Motion passed unanimously.

INO Therapeutics LLC – Bolingbrook, IL.

14. **Drug Outlet remodeling, changes in Officers/Directors, hours of operation, closures, etc.:**

CVS/Pharmacy #673 (038-58234) submitted a notification of change in pharmacy hours. The store's Sunday hours will now be: 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

CVS/Pharmacy #337 (038-58082) submitted a notification of change in pharmacy hours. The store's Sunday hours will now be: 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

15. **Continuing Pharmacy Education Requests:**

Mr. Labor made a motion, seconded by the Chair, to approve the following continuing pharmacy education requests. The question was called and the motion passed unanimously.

- a. **"CPR for Health Care Professionals"** submitted by Tammy DeBianco, R.Ph., requesting approval for four (4) live (didactic) continuing pharmacy education credits. The course was held on June 15, 2011. The Board issued approval number CPE-058(L)-0711.
- b. **"Clinical Pearls: Collage"** submitted by Erica Counter with Fletcher Allen Health Care, requesting approval for one (1) live (didactic) continuing pharmacy education credit. The lecture was held on July 7, 2011. The Board issued approval number CPE-059(L)-0711.
- c. **"Upper Valley Community Summit – Diverted Prescription Drugs: Reducing Risk & Improving Outcomes"** submitted by Robert F. Swartz with the Northeastern Vermont Area

Health Education Center, requesting approval for four (4) live (didactic) continuing pharmacy education credits. The workshop will be held on September 20, 2011. The Board issued approval number CPE-060(L)-0711.

- d. **“Update in the Management of Alcohol Withdrawal”** submitted by Erica Counter with Fletcher Allen Health Care, requesting approval for one (1) live (didactic) continuing pharmacy education credit. The lecture will be held on August 16, 2011. The Board issued approval number CPE-061(L)-0711.

16. **Intern/Preceptor application(s):**

- a. **Gelareh Karimi** – The Board reviewed Ms. Karimi’s Intern’s Evaluation of Internship Period and Preceptor’s Affidavit of Internship Hours regarding the 115.5 hours earned from May 19, 2011 through June 10, 2011, while working at Wal-Mart Pharmacy #10-2224, located in Williston, Vermont, with Riyaz Merali as her Preceptor. Ms. Karimi also submitted documentation of the 105.75 hours earned from June 14, 2011 through July 1, 2011, while working at Wal-Mart Pharmacy #10-2224, located in Williston, Vermont, with Adam C. Cochran as her Preceptor. Mr. Labor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pease, to approve the **221.25** internship hours Ms. Aubin has earned. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. **Melissa A. Long** – The Board reviewed Ms. Long’s Intern’s Evaluation of Internship Period and Preceptor’s Affidavit of Internship Hours regarding the 232.5 hours earned from November 29, 2010 through June 18, 2011, while working at Fletcher Allen Health Care (MCHV Campus) - Pharmacy, located in Burlington, Vermont, with Robert Emery as her Preceptor. Mr. Labor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pease, to approve the **232.5** internship hours Ms. Aubin has earned. Motion passed unanimously.
- c. **Audra Puodziukas** – The Board reviewed Ms. Puodziukas’ Intern’s Evaluation of Internship Period and Preceptor’s Affidavit of Internship Hours regarding the 1284.10 hours earned from March 14, 2010 through March 19, 2011, while working at Hannaford Food & Drug #8398, located in Williston, Vermont, with Patricia A. Fogg as her Preceptor. Mr. Labor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pease, to approve the **1284.10** internship hours Ms. Aubin has earned. Motion passed unanimously.
- d. **Traci E. Carelli** – The Board reviewed Ms. Carelli’s Intern’s Evaluation of Internship Period and Preceptor’s Affidavit of Internship Hours regarding the 821.25 hours earned from June 28, 2009 through June 11, 2011, while working at The Pharmacy Inc., located in Bennington, Vermont, with Coleen Cross as her Preceptor. Mr. Labor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pease, to approve the **821.25** internship hours Ms. Aubin has earned. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. **Kathleen R. Skillman** – The Board reviewed Ms. Skillman’s Intern’s Evaluation of Internship Period and Preceptor’s Affidavit of Internship Hours regarding the 286 hours earned from August 30, 2010 through July 6, 2011, while working at Rite Aid Pharmacy #10323, located in Essex Junction, Vermont, with Matthew Minarski as her Preceptor. Mr. Labor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pease, to approve the **286** internship hours Ms. Aubin has earned. Motion passed unanimously.

17. **Pharmacy Technicians:** Total number of Active Registered Technicians is **1, 649** (1,514 Resident, 135 Non-Resident).

18. **Newsletter Topics!**

The Board noted that the next Newsletter is due to be sent in September.

19. **Miscellaneous Correspondence**

- a. Review the July 5, 2011 email from Alexandria Omikami regarding Vermont pharmacy regulations.
- b. Review the June 29, 2011 email from Allan Lowe regarding out of state clinical services.
- c. Review the July, 5, 2011 email from John D. McGrath, R.Ph., regarding Administrative Rule 9.34(b).
- d. Review the July 7, 2011 email from Pamela Cota regarding medication delegation.
- e. Review the July 8, 2011 email from Mike Iglinski regarding drug recycling program.
- f. Review the July 8, 2011 email from Carrie Phillips regarding DEA digital certificates for pharmacy technicians.
- g. Review the July 8, 2011 email from Rebecca Shatney regarding stock medication accountability.
- h. Review the July 21, 2011 email from Kathy Worthington regarding insulin and syringes for canine diabetes.

20. **National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) Correspondence:**

The Board reviewed various documents from the NABP.

21. **Public Comment:** (None)

22. **Other Business Introduced**

23. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for **Wednesday, August 24, 2011 at 9:00 A.M.**

Meeting dates for 2011 are as follows: September 28th, October 26th and December 7th.

24. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:23 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Pirie, Administrative Assistant
Office of Professional Regulation