



Board of Pharmacy

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Approved Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 9:00a.m.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M., by Ms. Stephanie Ibey, RPh, Chair

Members Present: Stephanie Ibey, RPh, Chair (via web); James Arisman, Esq., public member (via web-left early); Michael Carroll, RPh (via web); Robert Carpenter, RPh, Vice Chair (via web); Judith Wernecke, Secretary, public member (via web); William Chatoff, RPh (via web); Catherine Haraden, CPhT (via web); and Corey Duteau, RPh (via web)

OPR Personnel Present: Carrie Phillips, Executive Officer (via web); Gabriel Gilman, General Counsel (via web); Corey Young, Licensing Administrator I (via web); Aprille Morrison, Licensing Administrator III (via web); Tara Grenier, Licensing Administrator III (via web; left prior to adjournment); Derek Everett, Licensing Board Inspection Coordinator (via web) and Lauren Layman, Staff Attorney (via web; left prior to adjournment).

Guests: Angela Abourjaily (via web); and Jessica Adams (via web).

2. Approval of previous minutes:

Mr. Carpenter moved to approve the minutes from the May 28th meeting, with correction of the identity of the member who seconded the motion to adjourn on May 28. The second came from Mr. Arisman. Motion seconded and passed unanimously.

3. Discipline:

- A. 9:30am – Recommended default order: *In re: Jeff Cohen, Docket No. 2019-182*. Mr. Arisman moved to accept the order as presented. Mr. Chatoff seconded the motion. Ms. Ibey recused from participating. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Topics for discussion:

- a. Ms. Phillips presented to the board her executive officer report and the recent pharmacy license approvals.
- b. The Board wants to continue with the next steps of the Task Force addressing non-pharmacy (i.e. prescriber office-based) dispensing and compounding this Summer. Towards that end Mr. Chatoff will work with Ms. Phillips on developing questions for the survey that the Task Force recommended sending in cooperation with the other Task Force stakeholders to their constituents.
- c. FDA's Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
 - The Board discussed this topic reaching consensus that Vermont will likely sign the MOU. Once the FDA announces that it is final and ready for states to sign, OPR will reach out to the Vermont Attorney General's office to determine if there are any legal barriers to signing it.

- The MOU will be added as a standing agenda item for future BOP meetings
- d. Mr. Everett informed the Board of his recent inspections.
- Mr. Carroll moved to have Mr. Everett share a written summary of inspection activity and send it to the board prior to meetings, the purpose being to identify trends or areas of concern observed. Mr. Arisman seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- e. Ms. Phillips & Mr. Gilman presented to the Board the current draft of the pharmacy rules. The Board agreed to compile a list of discrete topics in need of attention; the Board will then break down the list into manageable groups and may consider delegating subparts to designated members. A whiteboard document was created for this purpose, to be emailed to members following the meeting.
- consensus was reached on the proposed deletion of the regulatorily designated “pharmacy manager” for in-state pharmacies.
 - The Board discussed USP <800> and its anticipated expectations for compliance with this standard by non-compounding pharmacies. They decided it was premature to do so at this time, given that it is not yet official. This will continue to be a topic of discussion as Rule revisions continue.

5. Public Comment:

None.

6. Adjournment:

Mr. Carpenter made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:01 P.M. Mr. Carroll seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Next Scheduled Meeting – Wednesday, July 22nd, 2020
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