



# **Board of Pharmacy**

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## **Approved Minutes**

**Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.**

### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m., by Ms. Stephanie Ibey, RPh, Chair

Members Present: Ms. Stephanie Ibey, RPh, Chair; Mr. Robert Carpenter, RPh, Vice Chair; Mr. James Arisman, Esq., public member; Mr. Corey Duteau, RPh; Ms. Judith Wernecke, Secretary, public member; Mr. Michael Carroll, RPh, and Mr. William Chatoff, RPh

OPR Personnel Present: Carrie Phillips, Executive Officer; Gabriel Gilman, General Counsel, and Aprille Morrison, Licensing Administrator I

Guests: Amber Schreiner, Kathleen Wobby, Joseph Lavino and Cheri L'Esperance

### **2. Approval of minutes from December 11, 2018 meeting**

The Chair called for approval of the Minutes of the December 11, 2018 meeting. Being there were no changes the minutes were approved as written.

### **3. Discipline**

- a. Order for Removal of Conditions In Re: Tiffany Pagan, Docket No. 2016-240. Mr. Arisman motioned the Board move to deliberative session at 9:34 am. Mr. Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion passed. The Board returned from deliberative session at 9:45 am. Mr. Carpenter made a motion to accept the Order as presented. Mr. Carroll seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **4. Topics for Discussion**

- a. Executive Officer Report.
  - i. Ms. Phillips informed members present of the activities, applications and correspondence she has been engaged in since the December 11<sup>th</sup> Board of Pharmacy meeting.
- b. Review 2019 OPR Bill
  - i. Ms. Phillips and Mr. Gilman informed members present of the proposed changes in the 2019-2020 OPR Bill. Mr. Gilman informed members that there will also be a separate OPR fee bill proposed for application fee changes.
- c. Wholesale/Manufacturing Licensure
  - i. The Board discussed adopting a policy on licensure of Virtual Drug Manufacturers, Contact Manufacturers, Virtual Distributors, Brokers/Intermediaries/Facilitators, and Repackagers/Relabelers. Ms.

Phillips presented the Board with a proposed draft for their review. Mr. Carroll made a motion the Board accept the draft policy as presented. Mr. Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion passed. Ms. Phillips and Mr. Gilman will work to get the policy added to the Pharmacy Statute and Rules page on the website.

- d. Licensure of virtual pharmacy service companies as non-resident pharmacies.
  - i. Ms. Phillips informed members present that there are companies that oversee out of state tele-pharmacists and questioned whether they should be licensed as non-resident pharmacies in Vermont. The Board requested additional information from Ms. Phillips and staff as to the current status of the one non-resident pharmacy of this type that is currently licensed with Vermont, however did not feel that licensure of these companies was necessary.
- e. Wholesale Drug Applications – examples of review issues
  - i. Ms. Phillips spoke to the Board about assistance with review of problem applications. The Board was in full agreement that any problem applications should be reviewed by the whole Board. Ms. Morrison will upload the additional documentation Ms. Phillips has accumulated and forward the applications through the licensing portal for the Board members review. The three applications in question will be reviewed at the February meeting.
- f. Survey to pharmacists regarding certain workplace parameters
  - i. Ms. Phillips reviewed the workplace survey questions she would like to send to Vermont licensed pharmacists. The survey will be completely anonymous and sent out via survey monkey.

## **5. Public Comment**

- a. Joe Lavino had two comments. One on making it know the intent of the data being gathered for the pharmacist workplace survey and the other was a question as to the clinical practice definition not being added to the OPR Bill for updating. Ms. Phillips spoke to the clinical practice comment in that the information provided at the December meeting came a little late to be included in the OPR Bill, however that does not mean a Bill will not be introduced into Legislature by an outside party for this Legislative session.

- 6. Adjournment:** Mr. Carpenter made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:50 pm. Mr. Arisman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Next Scheduled Meeting – Wednesday, February 27, 2019  
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