

# MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

## SEVEN HUNDRED AND THIRTY-NINTH MEETING

At approximately 7:30 a.m., July 25, 2001, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza Building, 2829 University Avenue Southeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of developing language for several rule changes being considered by the Board. Also attending the rules development meeting were approximately two dozen other individuals representing MPhA, MSHP, Chain Drug Pharmacies, Long-term Care Pharmacies, Independent Community Pharmacies, and employee pharmacists. All members of the Board were in attendance, with the exception of Mr. Thomas Dickson. Also in attendance were the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom, and the Board of Pharmacy surveyors.

At approximately 9:30 a.m., July 25, 2001, the Board met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza Building, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. Again, all members of the Board were in attendance, with the exception of Mr. Thomas Dickson. Also in attendance were the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom, and the Board's Legal Counsel, Mr. Robert Holley.

After reviewing, revising, and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of June 13 and 14, 2001. Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to matters of a quasi-judicial nature. The first item of a quasi-judicial nature to come before the Board was a proposed stipulation and order in the matter of the pharmacist license of Mr. Daniel T. Jonas. Mr. Jonas now, personally, appeared before the Board to discuss the proposed stipulation and order. The stipulation and order was developed subsequent to a disciplinary conference held with Mr. Jonas on July 12, 2001, to discuss allegations of unprofessional conduct. Mr. Jonas has agreed to and signed the proposed stipulation and order.

After discussing the stipulation and order with Mr. Jonas and obtaining additional background information from him, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the proposed stipulation and order be approved and that Mr. Holmstrom be directed to sign the stipulation and order on the Board's behalf. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies, which it has received since its last meeting. The first such application was submitted on behalf of Community Clinics Pharmacy – Model Cities, in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Ms. Katie Reinke, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Costco Pharmacy, in Coon Rapids, Minnesota, by Mr. Charles Burnett, Senior Vice President. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Econofoods Pharmacy, in Watertown, Minnesota, by Mr. James Linden, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The fourth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Fairview Chanhassen Pharmacy, in Chanhassen, Minnesota, by Mr. William Schommer, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The fifth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Fairview Minnetonka Pharmacy, in Minnetonka, Minnesota, by Mr. William Schommer, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The sixth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Rainbow Pharmacy, in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, by Mr. Richard Hayes, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The seventh application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Rainbow Pharmacy, in Savage, Minnesota, by Mr. Richard Hayes, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The eighth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Rainbow Pharmacy, in Shoreview, Minnesota, by Mr. Richard Hayes, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The ninth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Sam's Pharmacy, in Apple Valley, Minnesota, by Mr. James Martin, District Manager. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The tenth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Sam's Pharmacy, in Eagan, Minnesota, by Mr. James Martin, District Manager. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The eleventh and final application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Walgreens Pharmacy, in Mounds View, Minnesota, by Mr. Ashraf Zaki, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a list of continuing education programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force between the dates of April 10, 2001 and June 12, 2001, and between June 12, 2001 and July 10, 2001. After reviewing the list of programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that those programs recommended for approval be so approved and that those programs for which denial of approval was recommended be denied. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the performance of candidates, for licensure by examination, that have completed all parts of the June 2001 Board examination. For full Board examination candidates, the Board determined that in grading the examinations, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical Examination weighted at 20% of the total, the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the following candidates be granted licensure as pharmacists:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Matthew Robert Affeldt	7806	117214-4
Paul James Degen	7807	117215-7
Long Yang	7808	117216-0
Mohamed A. Abou-Karam	7809	117217-3
Basma A. ABD El-Rahman	7810	117218-6
Alisa Brooke Aden	7811	117219-9
Adam Wesley Nachand	7812	117220-9
Ann Elizabeth Byre	7813	117221-2
Valerie E. Klaas	7814	117222-5
Jennifer J. Nagel	7815	117223-8
Lynne R. Kellar	7816	117224-1
Susan Rosenau	7817	117225-4
Kyle F. Skiermont	7818	117226-7
Tara Kristi Shogren	7819	117227-0
Mohamed Nagi Elbasuony	7820	117228-3
Michael G. Notkin	7821	117229-6
Kavitha Thomas	7822	117230-6
Dominic Andrew Hanson	7823	117231-9
Leslie Ann Knudson	7824	117232-2
Leah Rebecca Carlson	7826	117234-8
Sara A. Warner	7827	117235-1
Thomas M. Trempe	7828	117236-4
Katie J. Westby	7829	117237-7
Jeanne M. Ternes-Denn	7830	117238-0
Jennifer M. Hagen	7832	117240-3

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Jennifer Mertz Riegel	7833	117241-6
Shane Arthur Havron	7834	117242-9
Mary C. Quenzer	7835	117243-2
Susan Cunha Villegas	7838	117246-1
Brian J. Howard	7839	117247-4
Kristine Anne Nellis	7840	117248-7
Pepper Nicole Meyer	7841	117249-0
Pamela Ann Motzko	7842	117250-0
Megan A. Cords	7843	117251-3
Sarah G. Whaley	7844	117252-6
Jennifer Marie Hanson	7845	117253-9
Kelly Jo Dick	7846	117254-2
Danelle Ann Chapinski	7848	117256-8
Sarah Mae Larson	7849	117257-1
Amy M. Bollom	7850	117258-4
Chad A. Nellis	7851	117259-7
Lisa Marie Ives	7852	117260-7
Anne Marie Schapman	7853	117261-0
Kevin Virgil Lee	7854	117262-3
Timothy John Barr	7855	117263-6
David J. Christiansen	7856	117265-2
Dennis John Thackeray	7857	117264-9
Katie Lynn Reinke	7858	117266-5
Susan Renee Rabenberg	7859	117267-8
Kelly Ann Boado	7860	117268-1
Kelly Z. Hadsall	7861	117269-4
Stephanie Ann Uglum	7862	117270-4
Steven Michael Lafond	7863	117271-7
Michelle Jacobson	7864	117272-0
Nathan Jacobson	7865	117273-3
Melissa Ann Rambow	7866	117274-6
Stacy Schoepke	7867	117275-9
Margarette My Lao	7868	117276-2
Melissa Ann Fossum	7870	117278-8
Sarah M. Biebighauser	7871	117279-1
Karl Krenz	7872	117281-4
Pao Robert Kue	7873	117282-7
Jenny A. Houglum	7874	117283-0
Gabriel Dean	7875	117284-3
Andrea Marie Newman	7876	117285-6
David James Coffee	7877	117286-9
Sarah Lynn Thompson	7879	117288-5
Amy Wallingford	7880	117289-8

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Sadie M. Christianson	7881	117290-8
Cari Jo Thomsen	7882	117291-1
Michelle S. Nordmark	7883	117292-4
Ann Marie Yapel	7884	117293-7
Christine Marie Grabow	7885	117294-0
Joshua Nathan Grabow	7886	117295-3
Katie Bich-Ngoc Tu	7887	117296-6
Jamie Marie Schell	7888	117297-9
Kelly Uyen Khieu	7889	117298-2
Nicholle Marie Binke	7890	117299-5
Brian G. Calnon	7891	117300-4
Chad Michael Novak	7892	117301-7
Vicki Jean Wilhelm	7913	117280-1

The Board next addressed itself to the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity who have taken the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination for Minnesota since the Board's last meeting. After a thorough review of the performance of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that, having passed the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
7799	Corina Sue Kelley	IA
7800	Jessica Lynn Nagan	MO
7801	Tu Uyen Thi Tran	NE
7802	Ronald Lee Rames	SD
7803	Michael Kotlyar	NY
7804	Pamela N. Jones	SD
7805	Sara Jane Drake	WI
7825	Monika May Bell	ND
7831	Scott Joseph Knoer	KS
7836	Kimberly Raye Henrich	ND
7837	Jesse Lee Breidenbach	ND
7847	Susan Denise Joiner	IN
7869	Michael Anthony Sabo	OK
7878	Deepak Kumar	IA
7893	Jeffrey Adam Boser	ND
7910	Ann Marie Fitzgibbons	IA

At this time Mr. Peter Haas, Pharmacist-in-charge, from Setzer Pharmacy, in Roseville, Minnesota, appeared before the Board to discuss the extension of a previously granted variance, which allowed Setzer Pharmacy to utilize an LPN/Pharmacy Technician to take telephone orders for new prescriptions over the phone from prescribers. The Board requested Mr. Haas to discuss the relative advantages and disadvantages of the previously granted variance and to identify any dispensing errors which were attributable to the technician. After discussing all these issues with Mr. Haas, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the Board extend the previously granted variance for an additional two-year period of time. The motion passed.

At this time Mr. Mike Simko and Ms. Kelly Beaudoin, from Walgreens Pharmacies, appeared before the Board to give the Board its final report on the pilot project involving a Walgreens Central Fill Pharmacy. Mr. Simko reported that the pilot project was highly successful and reported that Walgreens intends to construct a separate central fill facility in the Twin Cities area in the near future.

At this time Mr. Ken Rosenblum, Ms. Terri Woodhull, and Mr. Bill Byers, all of Mendota Healthcare, together with Mr. Mike Steinhauer and Mr. Mike Canfield, from Reed Drug in White Bear Lake, appeared before the Board to provide the Board with information regarding the electronic prescribing and automated dispensing system developed by Mendota Healthcare. At the conclusion of the presentation, and of the question and answer period, the Board thanked Ms. Woodhull for her presentation and thanked Messrs. Rosenblum, Byers, Steinhauer, and Canfield for their input. The Board then directed Mr. Holmstrom to write to Mr. Rosenblum acknowledging the relationships between the InstyMeds system and the Board's statutes and rules relating to dispensing.

The Board next turned its attention to a variance request that had been submitted to the Board since its last meeting. The Board first addressed new variance requests that are receiving their first reading. The first such request was submitted on behalf of Childrens Hospitals and Clinics, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Ms. Susan Bickmore, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Bickmore is seeking a variance which would allow the pharmacy to waive the requirement of having a prescription balance and weight, various measuring devices, and other pieces of equipment on hand at the pharmacy. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for each variance request, the Board gave this request its first reading and will consider the variance a second time at the Board's meeting of September 19, 2001.

The next request for a new variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Omnicare – Minnesota Pharmacy, by Ms. Jeannette Haggerty, Director of Consulting Services. Ms. Haggerty is requesting a variance whereby Omnicare – Minnesota would exchange emergency boxes at some of the facilities, served by Omnicare, automatically on a twice weekly basis, rather than when an individual item is used from the kit. Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each variance request and act on this request immediately. That motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board approve this variance request on behalf of Omnicare – Minnesota Pharmacy for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a new variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Care Alliance Pharmacy, by Ms. Jeannette Haggerty, Director of Consulting Services. Ms. Haggerty is requesting a variance whereby Care Alliance would exchange emergency boxes at some of the facilities, served by Care Alliance, automatically on a twice-weekly basis, rather than when an individual item is used from the kit. Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each variance request and act on this request immediately. That motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson, seconded that the Board approve this variance request on behalf of Care Alliance Pharmacy for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a new variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Anderson Drug, in Cambridge, Minnesota, by Mr. David Lehman, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Lehman is requesting a variance that would allow his pharmacy to establish emergency kits at Minnesota Extended Treatment Options in Cambridge. This facility is a unique state-sponsored facility, categorized as an ICFMR that attempts to transition severely handicapped and mentally retarded individuals from treatment centers, such as Anoka Treatment Center, to a group home setting. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each variance request and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Lehman be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The final request for a new variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of four Minnesota pharmacies, by Ms. Priya Mehta, Pharmacist-in-charge of Cub Pharmacy in Blaine. The pharmacies involved in the immunization pilot projects described by Ms. Mehta are Pro Pharmacy in South St. Paul, Cub Pharmacy in St. Louis Park, HyVee Pharmacy in Faribault, and Cub Pharmacy in Blaine. Ms. Mehta now, personally, appeared before the Board to discuss a request for approval of a pilot project involving the administration of influenza and pneumococcal vaccines to adults at these pharmacies. The pharmacists involved at each of these pharmacies have completed the immunization training program described by Mr. Todd Sorensen at the last two meetings of the Board. After hearing from Ms. Mehta, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each variance request and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the pilot project requested by Mr. Mehta be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the consideration of requests for extensions of previously granted variances which are receiving their first reading.

The first such request for an extension was submitted on behalf of Advantage Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Mr. Larry Lindberg, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Lindberg is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allowed him to be the pharmacist-in-charge at both the Advantage Pharmacy and at Rx Express Pharmacy, both of which are located at the same address. Ms. Jean Lemberg then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider this request immediately. The motion passed.

Ms. Jean Lemberg then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Mr. Lindberg be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The second request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Albert Lea Medical Center Pharmacy, by Mr. Ross Martinson, Director of Pharmacy Services. Mr. Martinson is requesting an extension of a variance relating to the control of medication samples by the Albert Lea Medical Center Outpatient Pharmacy. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Mr. Martinson be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The third request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of the Department of Corrections, by Ms. Nanette Schroeder, Director of the Health Services Unit. Ms. Schroeder is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows the establishment of expanded emergency kits at Minnesota Correctional Facilities by Spectrum Pharmacy in Oklahoma. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Schroeder be approved for an additional two-year period of time. The motion passed.

The fourth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Northland Pharmacy - Elk River, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager for Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance relating to the return of unused medications from the Sherburne County Jail. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Ganske be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The fifth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of the Greater Staples Hospital Pharmacy, by Ms. Patricia Ryle, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Ryle is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance allowing the pharmacy to provide an emergency supply of medications, for hospice patients, which include a number of controlled substance drugs. Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider this request immediately. The motion passed.

Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Ryle be approved for an additional five-year period of time. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to new variances receiving their second readings. The first such request was submitted on behalf of Fairview-University Medical Center, Riverside Campus, by Mr. Nick Malinowsky, Pharmacist-in-charge. After again discussing the request for the use of matrix drawers in Pyxis Machines, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board deny the variance requested by Mr. Malinowsky. The motion passed.

The second request for a variance receiving its second reading was submitted on behalf of Fairview-University Medical Center, University Campus, by Ms. Bonnie Senst, Pharmacist-in-charge. As was the case with Mr. Malinowsky, Ms. Senst is requesting a variance that would allow the use of matrix drawers in Pyxis Machines at the University Campus of the Fairview-University Medical Center. Again, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board deny the requested variance. The motion passed.

The third request for a variance which was receiving its second reading was submitted on behalf of the Hospice of Luverne Community Hospital, by Ms. Linda Reisdorfer, Hospice Clinical Director. Ms. Reisdorfer is requesting a variance that would allow the pharmacist at Luverne Community Hospital to supply an emergency kit for the hospice program, which would be stored at “The Cottage.” Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board deny the request for an emergency kit kept at The Cottage, but approved plans for such an emergency kit if it is kept at the hospital. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with information regarding the 17th Annual Conference of the National Association of State Controlled Substances Authorities and his recommendation that the Board send Senior Inspector Stuart Vandenberg to the meeting as the Board’s representative. Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that Mr. Vandenberg be authorized to attend the conference at the Board’s expense. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next described to the Board an invitation received from the Department of Corrections Health Services Unit inviting the Executive Director and up to three Board members to tour the Correctional Facilities at Stillwater and Oak Park Heights to learn about healthcare services at correctional facilities. Board members Mr. Chuck Cooper, Mr. Vern Kassekert, and Ms. Carol Peterson volunteered to attend, in addition to Mr. Holmstrom.

Mr. Holmstrom next described, to the Board, a brochure entitled “How to Stop Drug Diversion and Protect Your Pharmacy,” developed by Purdue Pharma and the request from Purdue that the brochure be mailed to Minnesota pharmacists at the time of license renewal by the Board. After briefly discussing this request, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to inform Purdue Pharma that it is not prepared to participate in the mailing of this brochure, but to invite Purdue Pharma to engage in such a mailing on its own.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, President Benson adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:10 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR