

Minnesota Board of Pharmacy

EIGHT HUNDRED AND TWENTY SEVENTH MEETING

At approximately 9:00 a.m., on May 1, 2013, 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 conducting a general business meeting. All members of the Board were in attendance. Also in attendance were the Board's Executive Director, Dr. Cody Wiberg, Board's Legal Counsel, Mr. Bryan Huffman, and Board of Pharmacy staff, Ms. Candice Fleming, Mr. Steven Huff, Mr. Timothy Litsey, Ms. Barbara Carter, and Ms. Patricia Eggers. The Board's President, Ms. Laura Schwartzwald, called the meeting to order.

The Board immediately went into a closed session to discuss disciplinary actions and staff evaluations.

The Board next discussed the minutes of the January 30, 2013 business meeting. Ms. Karen Bergrud moved and Mr. Rabih Nahas seconded that the minutes be approved as amended. The motion passed.

Mr. Stuart Williams moved and Mr. Bob Goetz seconded that the variance requests for eleven Mayo pharmacies and four Walgreen pharmacies be removed from the Variance and Policy Review Committee Report for separate consideration and that the remainder of Consent Agenda be approved. The motion passed.

The Consent Agenda for this meeting was as follows:

- Variances
 - Variance Committee Report, as amended – Approve
 - Continuing Education Advisory Task Force – Approve

Mr. Stuart Williams moved and Mr. Justin Barnes seconded that the eleven Mayo facility variances be approved as recommended by the Variance and Policy Review Committee. The motion passed unanimously with Ms. Karen Bergrud abstaining.

Mr. Stuart Williams moved and Ms. Karen Bergrud seconded that the four Walgreen Pharmacy variances be approved as recommended by the Variance and Policy Review Committee. The motion passed unanimously with Mr. Bob Goetz abstaining.

Ms. Karen Bergrud moved and Mr. Justin Barnes seconded to approve the remainder of the agenda. The motion passed.

The Board next considered a request submitted by AlixaRx concerning the use of an automated drug dispensing system in long-term care facilities. Present at the meeting were Mr. Barry Fuhs, General Manager of AlixaRx and Mr. Blake Griese, Legal Counsel at AlixaRx. After a presentation by the AlixaRx representatives, including the provision of information about a 30-day accuracy study, and after much discussion, Mr.

Stuart Williams moved and Ms. Karen Bergrud seconded that the Board approve the use of the Cretem AP-200RDU as currently configured. The motion passed unanimously.

The first variance request to come before the Board was for Cardinal Health Pharmacy Services, LLC in Westmont, IL. The variance request was to allow remote pharmacy after hours order review and entry of physician medication orders by Cardinal Health in Westmont, IL for Winona Health Services Hospital, Virginia Regional Medical Center, the Sanford Hospitals located in Westbrook, Tracy, Jackson, Canby, Worthington, Ortonville, Murray, Windom, Wheaton, and Luverne, New River Medical Center, Rice Memorial Hospital, Centracare Health System Long Prairie, Riverview Healthcare, Kittson Memorial Hospital, Perham Health Hospital, Mahnommen Health Center, and the new addition of Sanford Pharmacy Detroit Lakes Outpatient pharmacy orders for their Surgery Center to assist before and first hour of the pharmacy's operation. Present at the meeting were Ms. Julie Kauffman, pharmacist-in-charge of Sanford Pharmacy in Detroit Lakes, and Melissa Highness, Director of Pharmacy Services at Sanford in Fargo. After much discussion, Ms. Karen Bergrud moved and Mr. Stuart Williams seconded that the variance be approved for one year. The motion passed unanimously.

At this time Ms. Laura Schwartzwald recused herself and Mr. Stuart Williams took over the duties of presiding over the meeting.

The second variance request to come before the Board was for Grand Portage Pharmacy in Grand Portage to have a tele-pharmacy on location in Grand Portage with the main pharmacy being Arrowhead Pharmacy in Grand Marais. Mr. Chris Goettl and Mr. Mike Schwartzwald were present at the meeting. After much discussion, Mr. Bob Goetz moved and Mr. Rabih Nahas seconded that the variance be approved for one year. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Laura Schwartzwald returned to the meeting at this time and resumed presiding over the meeting.

The third variance request to come before the Board was a request from Mr. John Lueth, DDS for a variance from MN Rule 6800.9952, subp. 1. Dr. Lueth is requesting that at a special, two-day, free dental clinic, he be allowed to bring pharmacists on site who will be allowed to prepare, dispense, and administer drugs in a non-licensed facility. Mr. Stuart Williams moved and Mr. Bob Goetz seconded that the variance be approved for the two days of the clinic. The motion passed unanimously.

The fourth variance request to come before the Board was a request from Century College for the Board to approve their technician training program. Present at the meeting was Ms. Bridgett Backman from Century College. After a presentation from Ms. Backman, Mr. Bob Goetz moved and Ms. Karen Bergrud seconded that the Board approve the current curriculum at Century College as meeting the Board's requirements. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Wiberg next gave an update on legislative issues, specifically providing information on the Board's policy bill and a related appropriations request. The policy bill initially contained provisions concerning compounding and the licensing of facilities, pharmacist immunizations and the Prescription Monitoring Program . Some of the compounding/licensing provisions were enacted into law - the other provisions were not enacted. However, Dr. Wiberg explained that he had received assurances from a key legislator that the remaining provisions would be taken up early in the next session. The Board's request for an increase in appropriations in the amount of \$210,000 was granted. The Board will thus be able to hire an additional Pharmacy Surveyor and a Deputy Director, as planned.

Dr. Wiberg then gave the Board an update on the Prescription Monitoring Program. No action was necessary.

Dr. Wiberg advised the Board that he is running for the Executive Committee of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy and that he would appreciate the Minnesota Board's vote for him. Mr. Stuart Williams moved and Ms. Kay Hanson seconded that the Board's vote for the NABP Executive Committee be for Dr. Wiberg. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business requiring action by the Board, Ms. Karen Bergrud moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion occurred at approximately 12:10 pm and Mr. Stuart Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed.

PRESIDENT

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR