

GEORGIA BOARD OF PHARMACY
South University School of Pharmacy
709 Mall Blvd
Room 306/308
Savannah, GA 31406
January 19, 2022
9:00 a.m.

The following Board members were present:

Dean Stone, President
Michael Azzolin, Vice-President
Carrie Ashbee
Michael Brinson
Young Chang
Cecil Cordle
Chuck Page
Bill Prather

Staff present:

Eric Lacefield, Executive Director
Dennis Troughton, Director, GDNA
Michael Karnbach, Deputy Director, GDNA
Tommy Roe, Special Agent, GDNA
Max Changus, Assistant Attorney General
Kimberly Emm, Attorney
Brandi Howell, Business Support Analyst

Visitors:

Becca Hallum, Georgia Hospital Association
John Usry, PruittHealth
Christina Robbins, Publix Super Markets, Inc.
Joshua Lock, CVS
Kameron Huffman, Effingham Health
Diane Sanders, Kaiser Permanente
Chandler Conner
James Hinzman

Public Hearing

President Stone called the public hearing to order at 9:02 a.m.

Rule 480-15-.03 Use of Registered Pharmacy Technicians and Other Pharmacy Personnel

No public comments were received. A written response was received from Steven C. Anderson, National Association of Chain Drug Stores.

Mr. Brinson made a motion to adopt Rule 480-15-.03 Use of Registered Pharmacy Technicians and Other Pharmacy Personnel. Vice-President Azzolin seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Rule 480-9-.03 Conditions

No public comments or written responses were received.

Mr. Page made a motion to adopt Rule 480-9-.03 Conditions. Mr. Chang seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Rule 480-34-.15 Additional Compounds Under Schedule V

No public comments or written responses were received.

Mr. Brinson made a motion to repeal Rule 480-34-.15 Additional Compounds Under Schedule V. Mr. Page seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

The public hearing concluded at 9:05 a.m.

Open Session

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Page made a motion to approve the Public and Executive Session minutes from the December 15, 2021, Conference Call. Mr. Brinson seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Report of Licenses Issued

Mr. Page made a motion to ratify the list of licenses issued. Mr. Chang seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Petitions for Rule Waiver or Variance

Mr. Brinson made a motion to grant the Rule Waiver Petition from Lea and Pickels Drugstore, PHRE009745. Mr. Page seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Mr. Cordle made a motion to grant the Rule Waiver Petition from PruittHealth Pharmacy Services-Christian City, PHRE009656. Mr. Page seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency – Dennis Troughton

Director Troughton reported that GDNA conducted 1264 inspections and received 269 complaints for FY2022.

Director Troughton reported that GDNA has submitted the update to the drug bill. He stated that it is currently with legislative counsel and will likely be introduced into the legislative session week after next.

Director Troughton reported that GDNA currently has one vacancy.

Attorney General’s Report – Max Changus

Mr. Changus reported that Attorney General Chris Carr signed a multistate agreement with Cardinal, McKesson, AmerisourceBergen, and Johnson & Johnson. Mr. Changus stated that litigation still continues with other distributors and manufacturers.

Executive Director’s Report – Eric Lacefield

Continuing Education Report: No report for January.

Staffing: Mr. Lacefield reported that his office is still not fully staffed; however, one person has been hired. He stated to please allow time for staff to get caught up as applications have not slowed down at all.

Legal Services – Kimberly Emm

No report.

Mr. Page made a motion and Mr. Brinson seconded, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19(h) and § 43-1-2(h) to deliberate and to receive information on applications, investigative reports, and the Assistant Attorney General’s report.

Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Carrie Ashbee, Michael Azzolin, Michael Brinson, Young Chang, Cecil Cordle, Chuck Page, Bill Prather, and Dean Stone.

Executive Session

Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency – Dennis Troughton

No report.

Cognizant’s Report – Michael Azzolin

- GDNA Case # A34025
- GDNA Case # B34065
- GDNA Case # A34024
- GDNA Case # B34012
- GDNA Case # B33999
- GDNA Case # B33926
- GDNA Case # B33928
- GDNA Case # B34033
- GDNA Case # A34029
- GDNA Case # A33920
- GDNA Case # B33991
- GDNA Case # A33948
- GDNA Case # B33883
- GDNA Case # B33987
- GDNA Case # B34039
- GDNA Case # B34038
- GDNA Case # B33989
- GDNA Case # B34034
- GDNA Case # B33960
- GDNA Case # B34036
- GDNA Case # B34011
- GDNA Case # B33945

Appearance

- C.C.

Attorney General’s Report – Max Changus

Mr. Changus discussed pending complaints and litigation.

Mr. Changus presented the following consent orders for acceptance:

- H.T.V.
- W.
- R.D.C.
- J.R.A.
- I.M.S.I.
- L.I.T.

Executive Director’s Report – Eric Lacefield

- J.W.
- K.M.C.R.

Legal Services – Kimberly Emm

- K.A.H.

Applications

- R.B.M.
- S.F.
- A.N.D.
- D.J.W.
- M.L.R.
- L.D.V.
- A.A.P.
- H.A.F.
- R.H.
- K.A.B.

Correspondences/Requests

- M.C.
- R.M.
- M.C.P.S.I.
- I.R.S.P.
- S.A.I.
- H.V.
- H.V.
- H.V.
- A.A.A.U.I.
- B.E.T.P.
- C.C.S.M.
- C.C.S.M.
- C.C.S.M.
- C.C.S.M.
- H.H.
- H.T.
- H.P.
- H.D.
- I.C.R.L.
- S.R.P.
- S.R.P.
- T.P.U.I.
- T.P.U.I.
- B.P.
- I.A.I.
- P.H.I.
- A.I.S.
- R.A.H.
- C.N.S.
- A.M.S.
- K.A.H.
- R.S.S.
- A.M.C.
- J.D.S.

- J.P.
- J.A.L.
- J.A.
- N.V.

No votes were taken in Executive Session. President Stone declared the meeting back in Open Session.

Open Session

Mr. Brinson made a motion for the Board to take the following actions:

Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency – Dennis Troughton

No report.

Cognizant’s Report – Michael Azzolin

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| • GDNA Case # A34025 | Refer to the Department of Law |
| • GDNA Case # B34065 | Close with letter of concern |
| • GDNA Case # A34024 | Refer to the Department of Law |
| • GDNA Case # B34012 | Misfill Policy #1 |
| • GDNA Case # B33999 | Misfill Policy #1 |
| • GDNA Case # B33926 | Refer to the Department of Law |
| • GDNA Case # B33928 | Refer to the Department of Law |
| • GDNA Case # B34033 | Close with letter of concern |
| • GDNA Case # A34029 | Refer to the Department of Law |
| • GDNA Case # A33920 | Investigative Interview |
| • GDNA Case # B33991 | Misfill Policy #2 |
| • GDNA Case # A33948 | Misfill Policy #1 |
| • GDNA Case # B33883 | Refer to the Department of Law |
| • GDNA Case # B33987 | Close with no action |
| • GDNA Case # B34039 | Close with no action |
| • GDNA Case # B34038 | Close with no action |
| • GDNA Case # B33989 | Close with no action |
| • GDNA Case # B34034 | Close with no action |
| • GDNA Case # B33960 | Close with no action |
| • GDNA Case # B34036 | Close with no action |
| • GDNA Case # B34011 | Close with no action |
| • GDNA Case # B33945 | Close with no action |

Appearance

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| • C.C. | Request to reinstate pharmacist license | Refer to the Department of Law |
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Attorney General’s Report – Max Changus

Mr. Changus discussed pending complaints and litigation.

Mr. Changus presented the following consent orders for acceptance:

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| • H.T.V. | Private Consent Order accepted |
| • W. | Public Consent Order accepted |
| • R.D.C. | Private Consent Order accepted |

- J.R.A. Public Consent Order accepted
- I.M.S.I. Public Consent Order accepted
- L.I.T. Public Consent Order accepted

Executive Director’s Report – Eric Lacefield

- J.W. Request regarding pharmacy technician or pharmacist intern employment Denied request
- K.M.C.R. Pharmacy Technician Approved for registration

Legal Services – Kimberly Emm

- K.A.H. Open records request Denied request

Applications

- R.B.M. Pharmacy Technician Approved for registration
- S.F. Pharmacy Technician Approved for registration
- A.N.D. Pharmacy Technician Approved for registration
- D.J.W. Pharmacy Technician Table pending receipt of additional information
- M.L.R. Pharmacy Technician Approved for registration
- L.D.V. Pharmacy Technician Table pending receipt of additional information
- A.A.P. Pharmacist Intern Denied request for extension
- H.A.F. Pharmacist Reinstatement Table pending receipt of additional information
- R.H. Pharmacist Reciprocity Approved application
- K.A.B. Pharmacist Certification of DTM Approved application

Correspondences/Requests

- M.C. Notice of Discipline No action
- R.M. Notice of Discipline No action
- M.C.P.S.I. Notice of Discipline Table pending receipt of additional information
- I.R.S.P. Notice of Discipline No action
- S.A.I. Notice of Discipline No action
- H.V. Notice of Discipline No action
- H.V. Notice of Discipline No action
- H.V. Notice of Discipline No action
- A.A.A.U.I. Notice of Discipline No action
- B.E.T.P. Notice of Discipline No action
- C.C.S.M. Notice of Discipline No action
- C.C.S.M. Notice of Discipline No action
- C.C.S.M. Notice of Discipline No action
- C.C.S.M. Notice of Discipline No action
- H.H. Notice of Discipline No action
- H.T. Notice of Discipline No action
- H.P. Notice of Discipline No action
- H.D. Notice of Discipline No action
- I.C.R.L. Notice of Discipline No action
- S.R.P. Notice of Discipline No action

• S.R.P.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• T.P.U.I.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• T.P.U.I.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• B.P.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• I.A.I.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• P.H.I.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• A.I.S.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• R.A.H.	Notice of Discipline	No action
• C.N.S.	Appearance request	Denied request
• A.M.S.	Correspondence	The Board viewed this correspondence for informational purposes only.
• K.A.H.	Request to terminate PIC restriction	Approved request
• R.S.S.	Request to terminate probation	Approved as of 04/13/2022
• A.M.C.	Request for 4 th attempt to retake MPJE	Approved request
• J.D.S.	Request for 4 th attempt to retake MPJE	Approved request
• J.P.	Request for 5 th attempt to retake MPJE	Approved request, but notify applicant that no further attempts will be granted
• J.A.L.	Request for 4 th attempt to retake MPJE	Approved request
• J.A.	Request for 6 th attempt to retake MPJE	Denied request
• N.V.	Request for 4 th attempt to retake MPJE	Approved request

Mr. Chang seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

President Stone expressed his appreciation to staff for coordinating the in-person meeting. He stated that the February and March meetings would be held virtually, but would wait and see about having the two day April meeting in-person.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:32 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Georgia Board of Pharmacy will be held via conference call on Wednesday, February 16, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department of Community Health's office located at 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., 6th floor, Atlanta, GA 30303.

Minutes recorded by Brandi Howell, Business Support Analyst I
 Minutes edited by Eric Lacefield, Executive Director