

**GEORGIA BOARD OF PHARMACY**  
**Board Meeting**  
**Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine**  
**625 Old Peachtree Rd, NW, Room 1049**  
**Suwanee, GA 30024**  
**August 5, 2015**  
**9:00 a.m.**

**The following Board members were present:**

Laird Miller, Chairperson  
Mike Faulk, Vice-Chairperson  
Vicki Arnold (*arrived @ 11:02 a.m.*)  
Jim Bracewell  
Chris Jones  
Tony Moye  
Bill Prather  
Bob Warnock

**Staff present:**

Tanja Battle, Executive Director  
Rick Allen, GDNA  
Janet Wray, Senior Assistant Attorney General  
Brandi Howell, Business Operations Specialist

**Visitors:**

Gerald Riggins, Riggins Pharmacy  
Dezarae Williams  
Frances Cullen  
Chris Ciolko, Pipeline Rx  
Young Chang, Walgreens  
Samantha Atwood, Walgreens  
Brian Robinson, Walgreens  
Michael Azzolin, PharmD on Demand, Inc.

Chairperson Miller established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Bill Prather made a motion and Chris Jones seconded, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19(h)(2) and §43-1-2(k) 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 Jim Bracewell, Mike Faulk, Chris Jones, Laird Miller, Tony Moye, Bill Prather and Bob Warnock.

**Executive Session**

**Appearances**

- G.R.
- D.D.W.
- C.P.

**Attorney General's Report – Janet Wray**

Ms. Wray discussed the following cases:

- D.W.W.
- M.D.C.

**Executive Director's Report – Tanja Battle**

- J.A.B.
- Discussed 01/2016 exam

## **Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency – Rick Allen**

- Discussed PDMP program

No votes were taken in Executive Session. Chairperson Miller declared the meeting back in Open Session.

### **Open Session**

Chairperson Miller welcomed the visitors.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Tony Moye made a motion to approve the Public and Executive Session minutes for the July 15, 2015 meeting and the Public and Executive Session minutes for the July 20, 2015 Conference Call. Chris Jones seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

#### **Report of Licenses Issued**

Jim Bracewell made a motion to ratify the list of issued licenses. Chris Jones seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

#### **Petition for Rule Waiver from PharmD on Demand, Inc.**

Michael Azzolin, PharmD on Demand, Inc., spoke to the Board regarding his rule petition request and explained the services of the company. Tony Moye made a motion to grant the rule waiver petition pending receipt of a favorable inspection of the facility. Bill Prather seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

#### **Correspondence from Henry C. Ezeasor, PHI-016481**

The Board considered this correspondence regarding intern hours for 4<sup>th</sup> year pharmacy students. In Mr. Ezeasor's letter, he asks if the hours acquired during the final year of pharmacy school could be counted towards intern hours. The Board recommended denial of his request and directed staff to respond to Mr. Ezeasor by referring him to Rule 480-2-.03 which states, "*Except as otherwise provided, internship hours may only be accrued during the times in which an intern's school or college of pharmacy is not in session.*"

#### **Correspondence from Linda Stevens, Pipeline Rx**

The Board considered this correspondence inquiring as to whether or not the Board would license a call center if Pipeline were to open one in the state of Georgia. Chris Ciolko addressed the Board on behalf of Pipeline Rx regarding this matter. Ms. Ciolko gave the Board an overview of services provided by Pipeline Rx. She stated that she appeared before the Board in January 2015 concerning its telepharmacy services. She explained that Pipeline Rx wants to create a hub in the Southeast, where they have many clients. Ms. Wray explained that there is nothing in the law or rules that would allow the Board to license them. Mr. Jones stated that given the fact that the pharmacist has to reside in the state of Georgia, from a business side, it makes sense for them to create a hub or call center which would bring revenue into the state. Ms. Wray responded that the Board does not license the remote facility. She stated that the Board is authorized to create a pharmacy license, but does not think this would qualify as a pharmacy. Chairperson Miller advised Ms. Ciolko that the Board would need to further discuss this matter at a future meeting. Ms. Ciolko stated she would provide the Board with information on how other states are handling this matter and submit it to Ms. Battle.

#### **Correspondence from Karolina K. Griswold**

The Board considered this correspondence from Ms. Griswold requesting the Board grant her a temporary license, additional testing date or an alternate way to obtain licensure. The Board directed

staff to respond to Ms. Griswold by stating that the Board does not have temporary licensure at this time, nor are there any additional testing dates prior to January 2016.

### **Correspondence from Matthew Carroll, Creative Strategies US**

The Board considered this correspondence regarding STATdispense. In Mr. Carroll's correspondence, he asks if the Board would allow STATdispense to be used in skilled nursing facilities. The Board directed staff to respond to Mr. Carroll by referring him to O.C.G.A §§ 26-4-5(37.1) and 26-4-28(a)(12.1), along with Rule Chapter 480-37, for guidance.

### **Correspondence from Elaine K. Burns**

The Board considered this correspondence from Ms. Burns requesting the Board approve the Pro Trainings Advanced BLS for Healthcare course as ACPE toward her pharmacist license. The Board recommended denial of her request and directed staff to respond by referring her to Board Rule 480-3-.03 Continuing Pharmacy Education for additional information.

### **Correspondence from Ernest V. Turner**

The Board considered this correspondence from Mr. Turner regarding Rule 480-48-.02 Conditions for Use of Delivery by Mail having an unintended negative impact. The Board directed staff to request additional information from Mr. Turner regarding this matter.

### **Executive Director's Report Open Session – Tanja Battle**

Ms. Battle stated that at the Board's July 2015 meeting it discussed whether or not Cornerstone Christian Correspondence School would meet the Board's high school requirement for a pharmacy technician. She stated that additional information has been provided from Accrediting Commission International, Inc. The Board recommended denying the request to accept this in lieu of the Board's high school requirement for a pharmacy technician and directed staff to refer the individual to its policy which states, "*High school graduates include students with a diploma from a regionally accredited home study program such as the American School or the Setom Home Study School or a diploma from the Center of the Accrediting Council for Independent Study.*"

### **Miscellaneous**

The Board discussed training courses for immunization administration. Chris Jones made a motion to state that a one (1) hour ACPE (Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education) approved course is acceptable. Although it will not be required as continuing education, the one (1) hour course may also be used as continuing education for renewal. Bob Warnock seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Jim Bracewell made a motion and Tony Moye seconded, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19(h)(2) and §43-1-2(k) 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 Vicki Arnold, Jim Bracewell, Mike Faulk, Chris Jones, Laird Miller, Tony Moye, Bill Prather and Bob Warnock.

## **Executive Session**

### **Applications**

- D.O.O.
- J.A.
- M.E.B.
- J.H.M.
- P.A.B.

- T.M.N.
- J.G.K.
- K.S.G.
- B.K.R.
- J.K.L.
- M.L.C.
- T.A.B.
- E.E.A.
- A.K.C.
- K.N.M.
- B.T.H.
- G.E.
- J.S.I.

**Cognizant's Report – Mike Faulk**

- C.M.F.
- J.B.S.
- GDNA Case #B15-18
- GDNA Case #A15-14
- GDNA Case #A-31013
- D.A.S.
- GDNA Case #A15-16
- GDNA Case #A15-19
- GDNA Case #B-31357
- GDNA Case #B-31427
- GDNA Case #B-31328

**Correspondences/Requests**

- C.V.S.C.
- H.D.S.
- N.S.B.
- S.C.
- X.G.P.
- P.A.A.
- K.L.S.
- F.P.I.
- C.A.P.
- J.L.J.
- R.W.S.R.S.H.
- C.W.B.
- K.C.P.
- C.C.
- K.P.
- J.N.H.
- T.M.T.
- M.V.

No votes were taken in Executive Session. Chairperson Miller declared the meeting back in Open Session.

## **Open Session**

Bill Prather made a motion to state that the course from GPhA called Pharmacy-Based Immunization Post-Graduate Training Program is an acceptable immunization administration course. Bob Warnock seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Chris Jones made a motion for the Board to take the following actions:

### **Appearances**

G.R.	GDNA Case #T-31495	Letter of Concern
D.D.W.	Denied Pharmacy Technician	Advised applicant to submit letter requesting to withdraw application
C.P.	Denied Manufacturing Pharm	Overturn denial and approve for licensure

### **Attorney General's Report – Janet Wray**

Ms. Wray discussed the following cases:

D.W.W.	Pharmacist	Close case with no action
M.D.C.	Wholesaler Pharmacy	Accept counter proposal

### **Executive Director's Report - Tanja Battle**

J.A.B.	Pharmacist	Directed staff to respond by stating that it is the Board's expectation that the individual will not enter a pharmacy to work until cleared by a physician.
Discussed 01/2016 exam	Schedule January 2016 Board meeting for Thursday, the 14th and the practical examination on Friday, the 15th at South University School of Pharmacy	

### **Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency - Rick Allen**

Discussed PDMP program	No action taken
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### **Applications**

D.O.O.	Pharmacist Exam Applicant	Approved to sit for the exam
J.A.	Pharmacist Recipr Applicant	Approved to sit for the exam
M.E.B.	Pharmacist Recipr Applicant	Approved to sit for the exam
J.H.M.	Pharmacist Reinstatement	Denied application
Paul A. Beecher	Pharmacist Intern	Approved application
Tracey M. Nicks	Pharmacist Intern	Approved application
J.G.K.	Pharmacy Technician	Denied registration
Kajava S. Griggs	Pharmacy Technician	Approved for registration
Britany K. Reese	Pharmacy Technician	Approved for registration
Jessica K. Lucas	Pharmacy Technician	Approved for registration
M.L.C.	Pharmacy Technician	Denied registration
Thressia A. Brown	Pharmacy Technician	Approved for registration
E.E.A.	Pharmacy Technician	Overturn denial and approve for registration
Amanda K. Castellano	Pharmacy Technician	Approved renewal

Krystal N. Mhoon	Pharmacy Technician	Approved renewal
Brendin T. Holder	Pharmacy Technician	Approved renewal
Gasim Eldaim	Pharmacy Technician	Approved renewal
J.S.I.	Pharmacy Technician	Denied registration

**Cognizant's Report - Mike Faulk**

C.M.F.	Pharmacy Technician	Approved renewal
J.B.S.	Pharmacy Technician	Denied registration
GDNA Case #B15-18	Refer to the Attorney General's office	
GDNA Case #A15-14	Table pending receipt of additional information	
GDNA Case #A-31013	Refer to the Attorney General's office	
D.A.S.	Pharmacy Technician	Approved renewal
GDNA Case #A15-16	Accept Private Interim Consent Order	
GDNA Case #A15-19	Accept Private Interim Consent Order	
GDNA Case #B-31357	Close case with no action	
GDNA Case #B-31427	Close case and forward to the Georgia Composite Medical Board	
GDNA Case #B-31328	Close case with no action	

**Correspondences/Requests**

C.V.S.C.	Notice of discipline	Refer to the Attorney General's office for discipline
H.D.S.	Notice of discipline	No action taken
N.S.B.	Notice of discipline	Letter of concern
S.C.	Correspondence	No action taken
X.G.P.	Notice of discipline	No action taken
P.A.A.	Req for approval of intern hrs	Request approved
K.L.S.	Letter of appeal	Request denied
F.P.I.	Request for fee waiver	Request denied
C.A.P.	Request regarding pharmacist monitoring group	Request approved
J.L.J.	Appearance request	Request approved
R.W.S.R.S.H.	Remote Order Entry	Approved
C.W.B.	Req for ext of intern license	Request denied
K.C.P.	Request to retake MPJE	Request approved
C.C.	Appearance request	Request approved
K.P.	Correspondence	Overturn denial and approve to sit for the exam
J.N.H.	Report of arrest	No action taken
T.M.T.	Request to terminate consent order	Request approved
M.V.	Req for approval of intern hrs	Request approved

Bob Warnock seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion. In the same motion, the Board voted for Thursday, October 15, 2015 to be an additional meeting date to conduct Board business.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Georgia Board of Pharmacy is scheduled for Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department of Community Health's office located at 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303.

Minutes recorded by Brandi P. Howell, Business Operations Specialist  
Minutes edited by Tanja D. Battle, Executive Director