

President Gene Minton called the meeting to order at 9:00 am with Board Members Stan Haywood, Bill Mixon, Keith Vance, Robert Graves, and Andy Bowman present. Also present were Executive Director Jay Campbell, Board Counsel Clint Pinyan, Associate Executive Director Ellen Vick, Director of Investigations Josh Kohler, Director of Licensing Debbie Stump, Director of Finance and Human Resources Rhonda Jones, Accounting Manager Krystal Smith, and Director of Operations Kristin Moore. Present as visitors were: Brent Slaughter, Mutual Drug; Laura Cates, Kroger; Christine Davis, Cardinal Health; Joey McLaughlin, Realo Drug; Joe Jordan, NCPHP; Stephanie, Salch, NCAP (student); Kristen Spoon, SCCP-USC (student); Bill Maguire, Omnicell Rx Automation; Tina Smith, Bernard Robinson Co.; Rick Paderick, CSRA – NC Tracks; Tanner Hedrich, UNC Health Care; Kayla Waldron, UNC Health Care; Robert Ford, Campbell Univ.; Daniel Carta, Campbell Univ.; Nick Marples, Campbell Univ.; Deanna Rubin, UNC/ESOP; Roopau Sharma, UNC/ESOP; Emily Garcia, UNC/ESOP; Leslie Wilson, NCBOP; Nidhi Gandhi, Wingate School of Pharmacy; Catherine E. Collier, NCBOP; and Maria Fabiano, NCBOP.

Ethics Statement & Welcome

President Minton read the Ethics Statement regarding conflicts of interest and/or appearances of conflicts of interest of any Board member. No conflicts were noted by Board members.

Consideration of Minutes of the October 2017 Meeting

The members received the November 21, 2017 meeting minutes prior to this meeting for review. It was moved by Mr. Graves, seconded by Mr. Mixon, to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Presentation of FY 2016-17 Financial Audit

Sandy Newell, Bernard Robinson & Co. LLP, presented the financial audit report for fiscal year 2016-2017.

On a motion from Mr. Haywood, seconded by Dr. Bowman with no dissenting votes, the Board approved the audit as presented. Ms. Newell noted that her staff would submit the audit report as required by Chapter 93B of the North Carolina General Statutes.

Proposed Consent Orders Regarding Letko Entities

Board Counsel Clint Pinyan presented proposed consent orders that would vacate the summary suspensions of Yanceyville Drug d/b/a The Drug Store, Permit #13215; US Healthcare Supply, LLC, DME Permit #01757; Optimum Health Pharmacy, LLC, Permit #13122; Keystone Choice Pharmacy, LLC, Permit #13073; Heritage Diabetic Supply, Inc, DME Permit #02131; Dependable Diabetic Supply, LLC, DME Permit #02247; and Woods Pharmacy, LLC, Permit #12870. Mr. Pinyan stated that all of the permits have agreed to take inactive status and would no longer conduct business in North Carolina.

After discussion, on a motion from Mr. Mixon, seconded by Dr. Bowman with no dissenting votes, the Board accepted all of the proposed consent orders.

A copy of the consent orders can be found elsewhere in the minutes and are incorporated herein.

Technician Erica Smith, Registration #51269, Disciplinary Hearing

Technician Erica Smith, registration #51269, was the subject of a disciplinary hearing regarding non-disclosure of criminal charges on her initial technician registration application. Ms. Smith was noticed for the hearing; the notice was accepted by certified mail, return receipt requested but she was not present for the hearing. Board Counsel Clint Pinyan stated that Ms. Smith submitted an initial technician registration application on March 7, 2017. On her application, she answered "no" to the question that asked whether she had ever been charged or convicted of a felony or misdemeanor when in fact she had been charged twice with felony receipt of stolen property and misdemeanor charge of possession of marijuana.

After presentation of evidence and testimony, on a motion from Dr. Bowman, seconded by Dr. Vance with no dissenting votes, the Board revoked Erica Smith's technician registration #51269.

A copy of the final order can be found elsewhere in the minutes and is incorporated herein.

The Board adjourned for a break at 9:50am and returned to open session at 10:10am.

Recommendation to Fund a Grant Program Through North Carolina Physicians Health Program

At the September 2017 Board Member Retreat, Joe Jordan, CEO, North Carolina Physicians Health Program and North Carolina Veterinary Health Program (PHP), and Cindy Clark, Assistant Director PHP, presented a proposal for a Board-sponsored program to subsidize substance use disorder evaluation and treatment costs for licensees and/or registrants. At the conclusion of that presentation, the Board designated Dr. Bowman, Dr. Vance, and Joey McLaughlin as a committee to review the proposal further and make a specific recommendation to the full Board at the January meeting.

Mr. Campbell state that the committee has finished its work and recommends that that the Board enter into a Grant Agreement with NCPHP. Under the Agreement, the Board would transfer \$1,100,000 to NCPHP, which NCPHP would treat as a restricted asset, in a managed fund, to be used solely for the grant program; \$100,000 of the funds would be available to use immediately for qualifying pharmacists, technicians, or pharmacy students; \$1,000,000 would serve as a principal contribution and earnings from the principal contribution would be used for the grant program.

After discussion and clarification on program funding from Mr. Jordan, on a motion from Dr. Bowman, seconded by Mr. Graves with no dissenting votes, the Board approved the recommendation in principal. Mr. Campbell was directed to proceed with negotiating a final agreement with PHP and to present a proposed final agreement to the full Board at the appropriate time.

APhA Institute on Alcoholism and Drug Dependencies Grant Program

The APhA Institute on Alcoholism and Drug Dependencies program will be held May 30, 2018 – June 3, 2018. NABP will provide grants for state Board members to attend the meeting again this year. The deadline for applying for the grant is February 15, 2018.

After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to have any member who wishes to attend the meeting to contact Mr. Minton or Mr. Campbell.

NABP Annual Meeting Voting Delegate Travel Grant

The 2018 NABP Annual Meeting will be held May 5-8, 2018 in Denver, CO. After discussion it was the consensus of the Board that Mr. Minton would serve as voting delegate for the Board with Mr. Campbell serving as the alternate delegate. Mr. Campbell stated he would submit the NABP Travel Grant application on behalf of Mr. Minton as delegate.

Proposed Change in the Date of the April 2018 Meeting

Mr. Minton stated that he has a conflict with the April 17, 2018 Board meeting date and requested that the meeting be held the week prior or the week after the scheduled date.

After discussion, on a motion from Dr. Bowman, seconded by Mr. Minton with no dissenting votes, the Board approved moving the April 2018 Board meeting to April 24, 2018 with prehearing conference to be held on Monday, April 23, 2018.

Inquiry from James Herring Concerning CE on Stress Management

Pharmacist James Herring sent a letter to Board staff noting his concerns about stress levels among practicing pharmacists. He has inquired about the Board's interest in mandating an annual requirement for a stress management Continuing Education (CE).

After discussion it was the consensus of the Board to direct Mr. Campbell to contact Mr. Herring to advise him that the Board took the matter under advisement but because there are available CEs regarding stress management and the Board has recently updated the rules pertaining to continuing education, the Board would take no action at this time.

Financial Report

Krystal Smith, Account Manager, presented the December 2017 financial report to the Board.

Ms. Smith also requested that the Board approve an adjustment to the FY 2017-18 budget for funding of the NCAP Opioid Educational Program approved by the Board at the November 2017 meeting; payment to Third Wheel Media for the Opioid Crisis Response public service campaign approved at the September 29, 2017 Board retreat; and software escrow services for the Thoughtspan database. On a motion from Dr. Bowman, seconded by Mr. Mixon with no dissenting votes, the Board approved the proposed budget adjustment.

Investigations and Inspections Report

Joshua Kohler, Director of Investigations, presented the 2017 investigative report.

NABP District III Meeting, August 12-14, 2018, Asheville, NC

Mr. Campbell reminded members that the 2018 District III meeting will be hosted by the Board and Campbell University College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences August 12 – 14, 2018 at the Renaissance Hotel in Asheville, NC. Mr. Campbell stated that any Board member who has suggestion for meeting topics may send them to Mr. Campbell or Dr. Bowman.

Reports to the Board

No one spoke during the Reports to the Board Agenda Item

Board Committees Update

Opioid Crisis Response Committee, with Board approval, will release the first of three public service campaign commercials in the southeast part of the state on February 4th. The subsequent commercials are scheduled to be release March 4th and March 19th.

Mr. Campbell received an inquiry from John Vitiello at NC Medicaid for clarification on rules regarding “virtual” counseling for respiratory care devices. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to forward the inquiry to the DME Subcommittee for guidance.

Mr. Campbell presented a statement from the Telepharmacy Committee regarding their work regarding telepharmacy in North Carolina. After research, site visits, and presentations regarding telepharmacy in other states; the committee recommends that the Board take no unilateral action at this point.

Mr. Mixon questioned whether there has been any update has with the Memorandum of Understanding with the FDA concerning regarding DQSA. Mr. Campbell stated that there has been no change to date.

Mr. Minton requested an update of the CPP Advisory Committee. Staff will update the Board members on the CPP application and approval process at the February 2018 meeting, as well as present statistics on currently-credentialed CPPs.

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Haywood, seconded by Dr. Andy Bowman with no dissenting votes, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried with no dissenting votes.

The following items were approved.

Prehearing ConferenceConsent Orders

None

Reciprocity Candidates

Name	License Type	License #	Application Type	Application Complete
Baraa Almasalma	Pharmacist	27524	Reciprocity	11/21/2017
Brittne Ann Martens	Pharmacist	27529	Reciprocity	11/21/2017
Cynthia Ann McKay	Pharmacist	27525	Reciprocity	11/21/2017
Hiwot Bekele	Pharmacist	27527	Reciprocity	11/21/2017
Jennifer Renee' Reagan	Pharmacist	27528	Reciprocity	11/21/2017
Katherine Delaney Mieure	Pharmacist	27526	Reciprocity	11/21/2017
Lisa Ann Berezansky	Pharmacist	27523	Reciprocity	11/21/2017
Steven Gillenwater	Pharmacist	27530	Reciprocity	11/21/2017
Angelena Jane Cuteri	Pharmacist	27532	Reciprocity	11/29/2017
Aravind Kumar Reddy Kasireddy	Pharmacist	27531	Reciprocity	11/29/2017
Breanna Lynn Shaffer	Pharmacist	27538	Reciprocity	11/29/2017
Cory Swymer	Pharmacist	27533	Reciprocity	11/29/2017
David Ezra John Wilson	Pharmacist	27534	Reciprocity	11/29/2017
Elizabeth Jean Davison	Pharmacist	27536	Reciprocity	11/29/2017
Natalie Maria Stewart	Pharmacist	27537	Reciprocity	11/29/2017
Ryan William Chapin	Pharmacist	27535	Reciprocity	11/29/2017
Claudia Rose Concannon	Pharmacist	27545	Reciprocity	12/6/2017
Jalpen Balubhai Patel	Pharmacist	27543	Reciprocity	12/6/2017
Karl Healy	Pharmacist	27544	Reciprocity	12/6/2017
Kimberly Lynn Kelley	Pharmacist	27542	Reciprocity	12/6/2017
Allison Rebecca Meadows	Pharmacist	27549	Reciprocity	12/13/2017
Dawn Alisa Taylor	Pharmacist	27550	Reciprocity	12/13/2017
Hardik J Shah	Pharmacist	27551	Reciprocity	12/13/2017
Jeffrey W Berish	Pharmacist	27552	Reciprocity	12/13/2017
Julia Garrison	Pharmacist	27553	Reciprocity	12/13/2017
Michael Frederick Opsahl	Pharmacist	27555	Reciprocity	12/13/2017
Thomas Abraham	Pharmacist	27554	Reciprocity	12/13/2017
Andrew D'Agostino	Pharmacist	27558	Reciprocity	12/20/2017
Carol Wu Lam-Gardner	Pharmacist	27559	Reciprocity	12/20/2017
Ibrahim Soliman	Pharmacist	27557	Reciprocity	12/20/2017
Sharon Jones	Pharmacist	27556	Reciprocity	12/20/2017
Humphrey T. Kem-Bumbala	Pharmacist	27568	Reciprocity	1/3/2018
Karen Lynne Kovey	Pharmacist	27566	Reciprocity	1/3/2018
Lauren Taylor Hile	Pharmacist	27570	Reciprocity	1/3/2018
Lori Lee Smith	Pharmacist	27567	Reciprocity	1/3/2018
Zainub Hadi Naqvi	Pharmacist	27569	Reciprocity	1/3/2018
Danielle Penick	Pharmacist	27575	Reciprocity	1/10/2018
Darrel Justin Buhlman	Pharmacist	27574	Reciprocity	1/10/2018
Jennifer Ann Fife	Pharmacist	27572	Reciprocity	1/10/2018
John Comellas	Pharmacist	27576	Reciprocity	1/10/2018
John Francis Halmes, Jr.	Pharmacist	27573	Reciprocity	1/10/2018

CPP Candidates

- Asima Nuzhat Ali, PharmD #23854
 - Internal Medicine OPD Clinic, Winston Salem NC
- Kelley Miller Auten, PharmD #24253
 - CHMG HeartCare, Greensboro NC
- Daniel James Crona, PharmD #21592
 - UNC Medical Center (NC Cancer Hospital), Chapel Hill NC
- Margaret Anna Croom, PharmD #22500
 - Levine Children's Hospital, Charlotte NC
- Amanda Kolb Edwards, PharmD #21379
 - Novant Health Oncology Specialists, Winston Salem NC
 - Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center, Winston Salem NC
- Emily Fretz Ghassemi, PharmD #25059
 - Harvest Family Health Center, Elm City NC
 - Wilson Community Health Center, Wilson NC
 - Freedom Hill Community Health Center, Princeville NC
- Eric Duane Gibbs, PharmD #27461
 - Charles George VA Medical Center, Asheville NC
- Melissa Kay Gonzalez, PharmD #26657
 - Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority, Cherokee NC
- Jeremy Lewis Hodges, PharmD #13955
 - Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center, Winston Salem NC
 - Salem Chest Specialists, Winston Salem NC
- Patrick Brandon Gregory, PharmD #17211
 - Duke Primary Care Knightdale, Knightdale NC
- Lesli Anne Lavery, PharmD #24870
 - Levine Cancer Institute – Ballantyne, Charlotte NC
- Heather Danielle Nelkin, PharmD #19132
 - Novant Health Oncology Specialist, Winston Salem NC
- Jolly R. Patel, PharmD # 25473
 - Levine Cancer Institute – Monroe, Monroe NC
- Michelle Lee Rager, PharmD #26838
 - New Hanover Medical Group – Ogden, Wilmington NC
 - New Hanover Medical Group – 16th Street Office, Wilmington NC
 - New Hanover Medical Group – Myrtle Grove Office, Wilmington NC
 - New Hanover Medical Group – Brunswick Forest Office, Leland NC
 - New Hanover Medical Group – Autumn Hall Office, Wilmington NC
- John Tanner Ringley, PharmD #22570
 - Levine Cancer Institute – Cleveland, Shelby NC
- Brenda Rose Zagar, PharmD #24066
 - Health Pavilion North Family Care, Fayetteville NC

Increase in Pharmacists to Technician Ratio

- BI-LO Pharmacy, #08926, 1642 Dickerson Blvd Monroe, NC / Lisa Kay, Pharmacist Manager
- Coats Pharmacy, Inc, #09283, 393 N McKinley St, Box 811 Coats, NC / Diana Smith Lischin, Pharmacist Manager
- Corner Drug Stores-Zebulon Drug, #04655, 520 West Gannon Ave Zebulon, NC / Adrian Wyatt Adams, Pharmacist Manager
- CVS Pharmacy, #10322, 8420 Steele Creek Rd Charlotte, NC / Zachary Green Workman, Pharmacist Manager
- Gamewell Family Drug, #07062, 2655 Morganton Blvd Lenoir, NC / Karen Greene Cannon, Pharmacist Manager
- Friendly Pharmacy, #11675, 3712-G Lawndale Drive, Greensboro NC/William Don Haslam, Jr, Pharmacist Manager
- HealthKeeperz Pharmacy, #12625, 812 Candy Park Rd Pembroke, NC / Susanne Inman Faircloth, Pharmacist Manager
- Josefs Pharmacy LLC, #10676, 2100 New Bern Ave Raleigh, NC / Aaron Taylor Davis, Pharmacist Manager
- Med Assist of Mecklenburg, #07100, 4428 Taggart Creek Rd, Suite 101 Charlotte, NC / Dustin Mathew Allen, Pharmacist Manager
- Moose Pharmacy of Kannapolis, #10588, 1113 North Main St Kannapolis, NC / James Matthew Bowman, Pharmacist Manager
- Option Care, #12549, 1015 Aviation Pkwy, #700 Morrisville, NC / Jennifer Lynne Munoz, Pharmacist Manager
- Walgreens, #12305, 7711 Colony Rd Charlotte, NC / Victoria Janelle Matthews, Pharmacist Manager
- Walgreens, #12462, 2531 Cuthbertson Rd Waxhaw, NC / Alan Glenn Silver, Pharmacist Manager
- Walgreens, #13042, 1670 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd Chapel Hill, NC / Sharon Kay Eubank-Zavaleta
- Walgreens, #12195, 841 Merrimon Ave Asheville, NC / Maxwell L Bible, III, Pharmacist Manager
- Walgreens, #12336, 627 E 12th Street Washington, NC / Laycee Faye Strayer, Pharmacist Manager
- Walgreens, #12220, 2201 Wayne Memorial Dr Goldsboro, NC / Bobby Eugene Carroll, Pharmacist Manager
- Walgreens, #12223, 3529 N Elm St Greensboro, NC / Ramesh Babu Ghattamaneni, Pharmacist Manager
- Walgreens, #12338, 2125 Cloverdale Ave Winston-Salem, NC / Amanda Faye Figueroa, Pharmacist Manager
- Walgreens, #12403, 710 Fayetteville St Durham, NC / Gina Renee Butcher, Pharmacist Manager
- Wal-Mart Pharmacy, #11503, 12500 US 15 501 N Chapel Hill, NC / Andrew Scott Farmer, Pharmacist Manager
- Wal-Mart Pharmacy, #08531, 1830 Galleria Blvd Charlotte, NC / Amanda J. Blount, Pharmacist Manager
- Wal-Mart Pharmacy, #09219, 1318 Mebane Oaks Rd Mebane, NC / Laura Lowe Everett, Pharmacist Manager

- Wal-Mart Pharmacy, #07940, 125 Bleachery Blvd Asheville, NC / Kimberly Latorie Foote, Pharmacist Manager
- Wal-Mart Pharmacy, #08016, 210 Wal-Mart Plaza Sylva, NC / Jay Vatsalkumar Patel, Pharmacist Manager
- Wal-Mart Pharmacy, #10307, 25 North Bridge Commons Pkwy / Marianne L. Affinito, Pharmacist Manager
- Wal-Mart Pharmacy, #09147, 3240 Wilkinson Blvd Charlotte, NC / Courtney Anne Martin, Pharmacist Manager
- Wal-Mart Pharmacy, #07942, 200 Watauga Village Dr Boone, NC / Brianne Leigh Wolf, Pharmacist Manager
- Wal-Mart Pharmacy, #09975, 2505 Lincolnton Hwy Cherryville, NC / Divyesh Kishorkumar Patel, Pharmacist Manager
- Wal-Mart Pharmacy, #07946, 8180 S Tryon St Charlotte, NC / Lindsey Anne Cyr, Pharmacist Manager
- Wal-Mart Pharmacy, #07994, 2330 Hwy 19 Murphy, NC / Kimberly Nicole Henson, Pharmacist Manager
- Wal-Mart Pharmacy, #07963, 273 Commons Drive, Franklin NC/Renee Williams Cook, Pharmacist Manager
- Wellness Pharmacy of Cary, LLC, #12948, 3750 NW Cary Parkway, Ste. 112 Cary, NC / Megan Wannapa Pasookhush, Pharmacist Manager
- UNC Employee Pharmacy #11633, 101 Manning Drive, Chapel Hill NC /Jason Simmonds/Pharmacist Manager

Closed Session

On a motion from Mr. Haywood, seconded by Mr. Mixon with no dissenting vote, the Board moved into closed session to discuss possible summary suspension. .

When open session resumed, Mr. Minton stated that Technician Evertte Keith Hunt, registration #41493, was summarily suspended.

On a motion from Dr. Vance, seconded by Mr. Graves with no dissenting votes, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:38am.

Gene Minton, President

L. Stan Haywood, Vice-President

Dr. Andrew Bowman

William A. Mixon

Dr. Keith Vance

Robert A. Graves