

President Ashley Duggins called the meeting to order at 10 am. Due to the COVID-19 state of emergency, the meeting was convened by teleconference. Board Members Ashley Duggins, Keith Vance, Andy Bowman, Wallace Nelson, Mischelle Corbin and Bill Mixon were in attendance. Members of the public also attended the meeting via teleconference.

Ethics Statement & Welcome

President Duggins 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 March 2021 Meeting Minutes

The members received the March 23, 2021 meeting minutes for review prior to this meeting. It was moved by Dr. Bowman, seconded by Ms. Corbin, to approve both sets of minutes. The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Rulemaking

Proposed Rules to Clarify Limited Service Permit Eligibility and Pharmacist-Manager Responsibilities

The Board's Limited Service Permit Committee met this month to review and propose rules to incorporate proposed codifications of (and changes to) limited service permitting. These changes clarify Limited Service Permit eligibility and Pharmacist-Manager responsibilities. This adoption requires amending several other sections of the Board's rules to conform with the terms of the new rule. Dr. Bowman moved to publish proposed rule amendments for notice and comment. Mr. Nelson seconded. The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Proposed Rules to Expand Remote Medication Order Entry Services to All Pharmacy Practice Types

The Board's Telepharmacy Committee has concluded its work to recommend changes to the rules governing remote medication order entry (RMOE) services. The principal proposed changes are to permit pharmacies other than health care facility pharmacies to provide RMOE services, and to liberalize the personnel who may provide those RMOE services. The proposal accomplishes this by modifying the existing RMOE for health system pharmacy rule and combining it with the central processing rule – creating a single set of standards governing centralized pharmacy services. Dr. Bowman moved to publish proposed rule amendments for notice and comment. Mr. Mixon seconded. The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Committee Progress Reports

Permit Meeting/Pharmacist Manager Education Committee – *Duggins, Vance* (members); *Betz, Watson, Kohler, Stefanyk* (staff)

Committee has met to discuss ideas for revamping the permit issuance process by eliminating in-person permit meetings and moving to on-demand educational tools. Their conclusions will be presented at the June Board meeting.

Intern Registration System Committee – *Vance, Bowman* (members); *Betz, Campbell, Pinyan* (staff)

Committee staff met with South Carolina Board of Pharmacy Executive Director Traci Collier to discuss the that board's intern registration program. Committee staff met with representatives of the four North Carolina-based schools of pharmacy to discuss a potential intern registration system and what type of enrollment documentation could be provided to students (and then to the Board) to prove eligibility. Committee staff are continuing to gather information to frame the full committee's discussion in the coming weeks.

Proposed Guidance Document for Pharmacist Managers Seeking 5:1 or Higher Technician:Pharmacist Ratios

Missy Betz and Krystal Stefanyk collaborated to produce a guidance document for pharmacist-managers applying to the Board for a technician:pharmacist ratio of 5:1 or higher. The guidance document recommends that the applicant address a handful of operations and staffing questions to facilitate Board review of the request. Mr. Mixon moved to approve the document. Dr. Vance seconded. The motion passed with no dissenting votes. Board staff will post the guidance document on the Board's website, as well as provide it to any pharmacist-manager applying for a ratio increase.

The Board took a 10-minute break.

Legislative Report (*Campbell; Pinyan*)

The North Carolina General Assembly convened in January. Several bills impact the practice of pharmacy generally or the Board specifically. The following were discussed.

H196/S.L. 2021-3, Modifications to COVID-19 Relief Legislation . This bill codified an authority for immunizing pharmacists to administer long-acting injectable medications to adult patients pursuant to a prescription order. Implementation requires the Board to have temporary rules in place by October 1, 2020. Action: President Duggins appointed a 2-member committee – Duggins, Bowman – to bring a recommended temporary rule for consideration at the June meeting. The Board asked Mr. Campbell to compile information he had requested from NABP and others for the committee next week and give them guidance on how to proceed.

S575/H512 An Act to Authorize Clinical Pharmacist Practitioners and Immunizing Pharmacists to Prescribe, Dispense, and Administer Certain Treatment and Medications - The Board asked Mr. Campbell to write a letter to sponsors expressing support for the practice improvements contemplated by the bill and to offer any Board staff assistance that the legislature requires.

S257 Medication Cost Transparency Act – April Update: Originally referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate; re-referred to Health Care Committee on March 25.

H178 Access to Prescription Drug Cost Information - April Update: Referred to Committee on Health on March 1.

S345 An Act to Adjust the Supervision Arrangement of Physician Assistants and to Make Various Changes to the Licensure of Physician Assistants - April Update: Referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate on March 25. The Board asked Mr. Campbell to write a letter to sponsors expressing concern about the contemplated changes to physician assistant dispensing regulation.

S373 Expand Voluntary Health Care Services - April Update: Referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate on March 30.

H395/S226 Extend Deadlines for Mandatory HIE Participation - April Update: S226 referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate on March 11. H395 referred to House Committee on Health on March 25.

S515 Health Care Heroes Conscience Protection Act - April Update: Referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate on April 6.

S545 Universal Licensure Recognition Act - April Update: Referred to the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate on April 6. The Board directed Mr. Campbell

to watch this bill closely. It appears to have a provision ensuring that, if passed, it would not impact pharmacy's existing system of nationwide reciprocity licensing.

H29 Verification of Immigration Status - April Update: Referred to Committee on Judiciary 3 on February 1.

H96 Allow Pharmacists to Administer Injectable Drugs - April Update: Referred to House Committee on Health on February 17.

Licensing Report

2021 Renewal Season Update

Missy Betz, Director of Licensing, presented the final numbers of the 2021 renewal season, noting the slight increase in numbers from 2020.

Financials

March Financial Report

JP Brown, Accounting Manager, presented the March 2021 financial report to the Board.

Investigative Report

Docket Report

Krystal Stefanyk, Director of Inspections, presented the 2021 investigations report and current caseload.

NABP Annual Meeting (Virtual) May 13-14, 2021

Mr. Campbell reminded the Board of the dates of the Annual Meeting and to contact Leslie Wilson if not registered.

NABP District III Annual Meeting, October 3-6, 2021, Hilton Head, South Carolina

Mr. Campbell noted the dates of the District 3 meeting and that more information would be provided later.

Consent Agenda

The following items were approved.

Prehearing Conference

In re Reciprocity Application of Kunjal Anand Nair

Consent Orders

RPh. Adam G. Ripley, License #16097

RPh. Gina Chamberlain Whittlesey Davis License #07121

Reciprocity Candidates

License Number	First Name	Last Name	Licensed Date
30312	Catherine	Lockhart	3/25/2021
30251	Katrina Ann	Capalla-Gozon	3/25/2021
30311	Amanda	Bercey	3/25/2021
30313	Scott	Motyka	3/25/2021
30319	Darshana	Baria	4/1/2021
30320	Daekyu	Choi	4/1/2021
30323	Mary	McClucas	4/1/2021
30318	Samuel	Adeosun	4/1/2021
30321	Carissa	Dolan	4/1/2021
30322	Miral	Hanna	4/1/2021
30324	Candace	Strickland	4/1/2021
30325	Timothy	Addington	4/8/2021

30327	Stephen	Oradesky	4/8/2021
30326	Lindy	Hall	4/8/2021
30328	Kristie	Yetmar	4/8/2021
30336	Abigail	Swenson	4/15/2021
30335	Patrick	Pekarcik	4/15/2021
30332	Chad	Bird	4/15/2021
30331	Jennifer	Almarales	4/15/2021
30333	Ross	Derozier Alves	4/15/2021
30334	Erin	Fuller	4/15/2021

CPP Candidates

License Number	First Name	Last Name	Licensed Date
700285	Tyler	Swann	4/7/2021
700284	Amit	Patel	4/7/2021
700286	Stacey	Edwards	4/7/2021

Increase in Pharmacist to Technicians Ratio

License Number	Pharmacy Name	Process Type	Complete Date
13507	Walgreens	PT Ratio Change 1:4	3/30/2021
13491	Walgreens	PT Ratio Change 1:4	3/30/2021
12303	Walgreens	PT Ratio Change 1:4	3/30/2021
13486	Walgreens	PT Ratio Change 1:3	3/30/2021

10004	Wal-Mart	PT Ratio Change 1:4	3/30/2021
13686	Walgreens	PT Ratio Change 1:4	3/30/2021
11897	Harris Teeter	PT Ratio Change 1:3	3/31/2021
13277	Harris Teeter	PT Ratio Change 1:3	3/31/2021
11969	Harris Teeter	PT Ratio Change 1:2	3/31/2021
14315	Medly	PT Ratio Change 1:4	4/5/2021
14493	Seashore Discount Drugs	PT Ratio Change 1:4	4/5/2021
11916	Harris Teeter	PT Ratio Change 1:3	4/5/2021
12447	Walgreens	PT Ratio Change 1:4	4/5/2021
10336	CVS	PT Ratio Change 1:4	4/5/2021
10419	CVS	PT Ratio Change 1:3	4/6/2021
10673	CVS	PT Ratio Change 1:3	4/7/2021
12814	CVS	PT Ratio Change 1:4	4/7/2021
12435	Walgreens	PT Ratio Change 1:4	4/7/2021
14026	Mission	PT Ratio Change 1:4	4/12/2021
10437	CVS	PT Ratio Change 1:4	4/13/2021
13671	Walgreens	PT Ratio Change 1:3	4/15/2021
12439	Walgreens	PT Ratio Change 1:4	4/15/2021
10908	CVS	PT Ratio Change 1:4	4/15/2021
11940	Harris Teeter	PT Ratio Change 1:4	4/15/2021
13373	Harris Teeter	PT Ratio Change 1:3	4/16/2021
10448	CVS	PT Ratio Change 1:4	4/19/2021

10301	CVS	PT Ratio Change 1:3	4/19/2021
12841	CVS	PT Ratio Change 1:3	4/19/2021
13674	Walgreens	PT Ratio Change 1:4	4/19/2021

On a motion from Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Mixon with no dissenting votes, the Board approved the consent agenda. President Duggins authorized Mr. Campbell to sign orders on her behalf.

Closed Session

On a motion from Dr. Bowman, seconded by Dr. Vance with no dissenting votes, the Board moved into closed session to discuss possible summary suspensions.

When open session resumed on a motion from Dr. Vance, seconded by Mr. Mixon with no dissenting votes, President Duggins stated that the Board summarily suspended Technician Registration No. 14975 issued to Donielle Johnson. Mr. Nelson then moved to adjourn. Mr. Mixon seconded. The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Ashley Duggins, President

Wallace Nelson

William A. Mixon

Mischelle Corbin

Dr. Andy Bowman

Dr. Keith Vance