

President Chris Sain called the meeting to order at 10 am with Board Members Mischelle Corbin, Ashley Duggins, Robert J. McLaughlin, Jr, Wallace Nelson, and Keith Vance in attendance.

In attendance with the Board were Executive Director Jay Campbell, Board Counsel Clint Pinyan, Associate Executive Director Ellen Vick, Director of Finance and Human Resources Rhonda Jones, Accounting Manager JP Brown, Director of Investigations Gray Fullwood, Director of Inspections Krystal Stefanyk, Director of Licensing Missy Betz, Director of Operations Kristin Moore, Enforcement Manager Cindy Parham, Information Technology Administrator Antoine Pryor, Senior Investigator/Inspector Holly Price Hunt, and Administrative Assistant Leslie Wilson.

Present as visitors were Aidan Drkulec and Andrew Froy.

#### Ethics Statement & Welcome

President Sain read the Ethics Statement regarding conflicts of interest. No conflicts were noted by Board members.

#### Consideration of Meeting Minutes

The members received the July 2024 meeting minutes for review prior to the meeting. Ms. Corbin moved to approve, and Mr. Nelson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Financial Reports

##### July and August Financial Report (*Brown*)

Accounting Manager JP Brown presented the monthly financial report. The members received the report prior to this meeting. The members reviewed and had no questions.

##### Process for Review and Approval of FY 2023-2024 Financial Audit (*Campbell*)

The annual financial audit report will be received in early October and must be included with the Chapter 93B Annual Report that is due on October 31. With no Board meeting in October, Mr. Campbell asked that the Budget & Finance Committee be authorized to review and accept the fiscal audit report on behalf of the full Board.

Mr. Nelson moved to authorize the Budget & Finance Committee to review and accept the FY 2023-2024 audit report on behalf of the full Board. Dr. Duggins seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

## Licensing Report

### Pharmacy Intern Renewal Report (*Betz*)

Director of Licensing Missy Betz reported on the second pharmacy intern renewal season. 1058 interns renewed and all went smoothly. Licensing Specialist Stacie Mason did the lion's share of the renewals and was commended for her work.

### 2025 Renewal Update (*Betz*)

Ms. Betz reminded the Board that the renewal period for license/permit/registration begins on November 1<sup>st</sup>. She stated that there were no major changes in the process this year.

### Licensure Candidates Who Do Not Hold FGPEC (*Campbell*)

Eligibility for licensure as a pharmacist in North Carolina requires, among other things, that the applicant has obtained an undergraduate professional degree from an ACPE approved college of pharmacy or is a graduate of a foreign school of pharmacy who has obtained their FPGEC from NABP. The Florida state legislature has recently passed a statute that appears to allow someone who does not have either of these qualifications to obtain a Florida pharmacist license. Mr. Campbell hopes to have more on this at the retreat but wanted to let the Board know that the staff is aware of the situation, especially in view of reciprocity.

## Investigations and Inspections Report

### Investigative Statistics (*Fullwood, Parham*)

Ms. Fullwood presented the investigations report and current caseload.

## Legislative Update

No substantive changes have occurred since the last update in July.

## Rulemaking

### *For Action by the Board:*

Proposed Amendments to 21 NCAC 46.1401, Registration and Permits, and .1415, Medication in Health Care Facility Emergency Departments

Proposed amendments to Rule .1401 would replace the "satellite" provisions with a requirement for a separate pharmacy permit for dispensing areas that are not located at

the same address or on a contiguous health-system campus or that dispense drugs for a patient's use outside of the health care facility.

Proposed amendments to Rule .1415 would allow an emergency department to dispense a drug quantity that is sufficient to bridge the patient to community (or other) pharmacy care, up to a seven-day supply. Other amendments would remove outdated language.

The Board held a public hearing on the proposed amendments at the beginning of the July meeting. The comment period remained open through August 14, 2024. The Board received staff memorandum summarizing comments received on the proposed Rule .1415 amendments. No comments were received concerning the Rule .1401 amendments.

Mr. McLaughlin moved to adopt amended Rules .1401 and .1415 as published. Dr. Duggins seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Board Counsel Clint Pinyan will shepherd the amended rules through the Rules Review Commission process.

#### *Rulemakings in Progress*

None

#### *Rulemakings Completed:*

##### Amendments to 21 NCAC 46.2504

These amendments clarify the patient counseling rule and provide for initial general counseling to take place through recorded technological means, in cases where that is appropriate.

The Rules Review Commission approved the rule with minor technical corrections. Its effective date was September 1, 2024. Board staff will notify pharmacists of the updated rule.

##### Amendments to 21 NCAC 46.2201

This amendment reinstated the ability of a pharmacist to carry over up to five surplus continuing education hours to the following licensure year. The Rules Review Commission approved the rule with minor technical corrections. Its effective date was September 1, 2024.

Board staff has notified pharmacists of the new allowance and updated website information.

### New Rule 21 NCAC 46.2516

This new rule requires pharmacies, when facing an unexpected closure expected to last more than two (2) hours, to provide certain notices to the public and the Board. The Rules Review Commission approved the rule with minor technical corrections. Its effective date was September 1, 2024. Board staff will develop and publish an FAQ document on the revised requirements.

### Board Member Elections for Northeastern and Central Districts (*Campbell, Moore*)

The next NC Board of Pharmacy elections are scheduled to begin November 1, 2024. Two district seats will be up for election this year, the Northeastern District position presently held by Wallace Nelson, and the Central District position presently held by Ashley Duggins. The winners of this election will begin their terms on May 1, 2025.

To be eligible to run for one of these two seats, the candidate must be a licensed pharmacist residing in one of the counties that comprise the district at the time of the election. Candidates who wish to stand for election will be required to submit a petition signed by ten (10) pharmacists residing in the relevant district to the Board office by October 1, 2024.

All actively licensed pharmacists living in North Carolina at the time of the election are eligible to vote, regardless of the district in which they reside. It is only the candidate and the pharmacists signing the candidate's petition who are district-limited.

Mr. Campbell and Ms. Moore hosted candidate interest forums in the Northeastern District (Rocky Mount) and the Central District (Concord). Several potential candidates attended each forum. Several candidates have filed petitions to run.

### Committee Reports

Health-Systems Rules Review - *Nelson, Sain* (members); *Campbell, Pinyan, Stefanyk* (staff)

The Committee continues discussion of the validating technician authority found in Board Rule . 1418 and to work toward recommendations to the full Board on validating technician qualifications and authority. The Committee will convene at the Board's October 8, 2024 committee workday.

Budget and Finance – *Sain, Corbin, McLaughlin* (members); *Campbell, Jones, Brown* (staff).

Staff may need to discuss an item with the Budget and Finance Committee during the October 8 workday. Mr. Campbell will coordinate with the members.

2024 Annual Retreat, November 11-12, 2024 Greensboro, NC

Retreat will be on Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> and Board meeting on Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. . Rep. Heather Rhyne has agreed to lunch with the Board on that Monday. Senator Burgin and former Rep. Sasser have also been invited but have not yet responded. Mr. Campbell asked the Board to contact him with any topics of interest to discuss at the Retreat.

#### NABP District 3 Annual Meeting Review (*Campbell*)

Mr. Campbell and Dr. Sain attended District 3 meeting in September in Mobile, AL. Mr. Campbell reminded the Board that North Carolina would be hosting both District 3 and MALTAGON in 2026 and plans to hold them back-to-back over one week. Mr. Campbell wants to form a planning committee for the event at the retreat.

#### MALTAGON Annual Meeting Review (*Campbell*)

Dr. Duggins and Dr. Vance, along with many Board staff, attended the MALTAGON Annual Meeting in September in Rogers, AR. Dr. Duggins described it as one of the better meetings that she had attended as a Board member. Dr. Vance said it was good to hear how other state boards were doing and how they handled their process. Mr. Campbell reminded the Board that they would play a role in planning the 2026 meeting and the topics covered.

#### Consent Agenda

The following items were approved with a motion by Dr. Vance, seconded by Ms. Corbin, with no dissenting votes.

#### Reciprocity Candidates

License Number	First Name	Last Name	License Type	License Status	Licensed Date	Licensure Method
33183	Nathaniel	Ozurumba	Pharmacist	Active	7/10/2024	Reciprocity
33182	Sydney	Kermeen	Pharmacist	Active	7/10/2024	Reciprocity
33207	Steven	Dufala	Pharmacist	Active	7/11/2024	Reciprocity
33208	Monica	Childers	Pharmacist	Active	7/11/2024	Reciprocity
33209	Steven	Holloway	Pharmacist	Active	7/12/2024	Reciprocity
33213	Ti'shay	Perry	Pharmacist	Active	7/16/2024	Reciprocity
33212	Amanda	Kan	Pharmacist	Active	7/16/2024	Reciprocity

33211	Damian	Hardison	Pharmacist	Active	7/16/2024	Reciprocity
33210	Isabel	Bonarrigo-Burton	Pharmacist	Active	7/16/2024	Reciprocity
33234	Rachel	Datz	Pharmacist	Active	7/17/2024	Reciprocity
33236	Clare	Newell	Pharmacist	Active	7/17/2024	Reciprocity
33235	Jonathan	Kulchuk	Pharmacist	Active	7/17/2024	Reciprocity
33252	Brianna	Reeder	Pharmacist	Active	7/19/2024	Reciprocity
33253	Geena	Parlatore	Pharmacist	Active	7/19/2024	Reciprocity
33241	Sarah	Gamesik	Pharmacist	Active	7/19/2024	Reciprocity
33242	Jodi	Trangsrud	Pharmacist	Active	7/19/2024	Reciprocity
33254	Cristyn	Fleisch	Pharmacist	Active	7/22/2024	Reciprocity
33273	Abigale	Lewis	Pharmacist	Active	7/24/2024	Reciprocity
33272	Kim	Le	Pharmacist	Active	7/24/2024	Reciprocity
33271	Dawn	Werner	Pharmacist	Active	7/24/2024	Reciprocity
33270	Kala	Sanders	Pharmacist	Active	7/24/2024	Reciprocity
33291	Lugain	Sbeih	Pharmacist	Active	7/25/2024	Reciprocity
33292	Cody	Weatherford	Pharmacist	Active	7/25/2024	Reciprocity
33289	Justin	Ford	Pharmacist	Active	7/25/2024	Reciprocity
33290	Meghan	Perry	Pharmacist	Active	7/25/2024	Reciprocity
33296	William	Cooper	Pharmacist	Active	7/29/2024	Reciprocity
33298	Daniella	Pina	Pharmacist	Active	7/29/2024	Reciprocity
33295	Leah	Baker	Pharmacist	Active	7/29/2024	Reciprocity
33297	Julia	Livingston	Pharmacist	Active	7/29/2024	Reciprocity
33301	Modestus	Alozie	Pharmacist	Active	7/30/2024	Reciprocity

33309	Shantell	Ingram-Green	Pharmacist	Active	7/31/2024	Reciprocity
33311	Yelena	Bernstein-Vaysblat	Pharmacist	Active	7/31/2024	Reciprocity
33312	Robert	Mackey	Pharmacist	Active	8/1/2024	Reciprocity
33319	Marwah	Alzer	Pharmacist	Active	8/1/2024	Reciprocity
33320	Zachary	Martin	Pharmacist	Active	8/1/2024	Reciprocity
33323	Sydney	Davis	Pharmacist	Active	8/2/2024	Reciprocity
33325	Abdelwahad	Bendamkila	Pharmacist	Active	8/5/2024	Reciprocity
33324	Jacob	Barnett	Pharmacist	Active	8/5/2024	Reciprocity
33340	Paulina	Phan	Pharmacist	Active	8/6/2024	Reciprocity
33333	Michael	Donato	Pharmacist	Active	8/6/2024	Reciprocity
33348	Mariam	Khan	Pharmacist	Active	8/8/2024	Reciprocity
33342	Trent	Martin	Pharmacist	Active	8/8/2024	Reciprocity
33343	Emma	Matherne	Pharmacist	Active	8/8/2024	Reciprocity
33344	Jasmine	Morgan	Pharmacist	Active	8/8/2024	Reciprocity
33341	Kennedy	Crosby	Pharmacist	Active	8/8/2024	Reciprocity
33355	Austin	Merritt	Pharmacist	Active	8/9/2024	Reciprocity
33354	Ndidi	Chiedu	Pharmacist	Active	8/9/2024	Reciprocity
33365	Connie	Padillo	Pharmacist	Active	8/12/2024	Reciprocity
33370	Breanne	Boyette	Pharmacist	Active	8/12/2024	Reciprocity
33371	Samantha	Treinish	Pharmacist	Active	8/13/2024	Reciprocity
33372	Julie	Kippenbrock	Pharmacist	Active	8/13/2024	Reciprocity
33376	Cathy	Crumel	Pharmacist	Active	8/15/2024	Reciprocity
33383	Megan	Tomlin	Pharmacist	Active	8/16/2024	Reciprocity

33381	Colin	Smith	Pharmacist	Active	8/16/2024	Reciprocity
33384	Virginia	Sibug	Pharmacist	Active	8/19/2024	Reciprocity
33388	Sierra	Hill	Pharmacist	Active	8/19/2024	Reciprocity
33389	Sarah	Chandler	Pharmacist	Active	8/20/2024	Reciprocity
33390	Timothy	Starry	Pharmacist	Active	8/23/2024	Reciprocity
33405	Virginia	Ward	Pharmacist	Active	8/28/2024	Reciprocity
33404	Heather	Blake	Pharmacist	Active	8/28/2024	Reciprocity
33408	Nicholas	Ferraco	Pharmacist	Active	8/29/2024	Reciprocity
33407	Gita	Lutchmansingh	Pharmacist	Active	8/29/2024	Reciprocity
33409	Rahul	Juta	Pharmacist	Active	8/30/2024	Reciprocity
33411	Jeffrey	Berteau	Pharmacist	Active	9/3/2024	Reciprocity
33418	Kayla	Piontek	Pharmacist	Active	9/6/2024	Reciprocity
33423	Emoryan	Foxe	Pharmacist	Active	9/9/2024	Reciprocity
33424	Nicholas	Panchak	Pharmacist	Active	9/9/2024	Reciprocity
33425	Edward	Prater	Pharmacist	Active	9/9/2024	Reciprocity
33428	Noora	Hashim	Pharmacist	Active	9/10/2024	Reciprocity
33426	Mallory	Carter	Pharmacist	Active	9/10/2024	Reciprocity
33427	Leslee	Donilon	Pharmacist	Active	9/10/2024	Reciprocity
33429	Kelly	Swiggett	Pharmacist	Active	9/10/2024	Reciprocity
33436	Sapna	Basappa Vega	Pharmacist	Active	9/11/2024	Reciprocity
33437	Gabriela	Maldonado	Pharmacist	Active	9/12/2024	Reciprocity
33439	Oldouz	Jafari	Pharmacist	Active	9/13/2024	Reciprocity
33440	Lindsey	Selph	Pharmacist	Active	9/13/2024	Reciprocity



33445	Maura	Harkin	Pharmacist	Active	9/16/2024	Reciprocity
33447	Adriana	Santiago-Lopez	Pharmacist	Active	9/16/2024	Reciprocity
33446	Sydney	Littauer	Pharmacist	Active	9/16/2024	Reciprocity

### CPP Candidates

License Number	First Name	Last Name	License Type	License Status	Licensed Date
700543	Elizabeth	Walters	Clinical Pharmacist Practitioner	Active	7/22/2024
700542	Ting	Ren	Clinical Pharmacist Practitioner	Active	7/22/2024
700544	Anand	Patel	Clinical Pharmacist Practitioner	Active	7/26/2024
700545	Emma	Sullivan	Clinical Pharmacist Practitioner	Active	7/31/2024
700546	Chae Yeong	Jang	Clinical Pharmacist Practitioner	Active	8/9/2024
700547	Kaitlyn	Coggsdale	Clinical Pharmacist Practitioner	Active	9/5/2024

### Increase in Pharmacist : Technician Ratio

LicenseNumber	LicenseType	ProcessType	Status	CompleteDate	PTRatio
15224	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	11-Jul-24	1:3
12896	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	11-Jul-24	1:5
12319	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	15-Jul-24	1:5
14031	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	16-Jul-24	1:4
9325	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	18-Jul-24	1:5
13825	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	25-Jul-24	1:4
13387	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	29-Jul-24	1:4

11291	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	05-Aug-24	1:4
12939	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	05-Aug-24	1:3
13034	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	13-Aug-24	1:5
13220	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	20-Aug-24	1:4
14155	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	21-Aug-24	1:4
10741	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	03-Sep-24	1:4
11929	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	04-Sep-24	1:3
9924	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	04-Sep-24	1:5
13095	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	06-Sep-24	1:3
14758	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	09-Sep-24	1:5
7859	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	10-Sep-24	1:4
5647	Pharmacy	PT Ratio Change	Complete	11-Sep-24	1:3

On a motion from Ms. Corbin, seconded by Dr. Vance, passed unanimously, the Board moved into closed session to discuss possible summary suspensions and attorney-client communication concerning a litigation matter – an update on a petition filed by Mr. Keith Hersey and Hersey Pharmacy for judicial review of a Board order.

When open session resumed on a motion from Dr. Vance, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin, passed unanimously, President Sain stated that the Board summarily suspended Pharmacist License No. 15475 issued to Kimberly Temple, Technician Registration No. 71786 issued to Meghan Hathcock, Technician Registration No. 46024 issued to Joseph O'Connor, Technician Registration No. 81475 issued to Margo Harrison, Technician Registration No. 61470 issued to Rebecca Conley, and Technician Registration No. 80396 issued to Amber Treaster.

Dr. Duggins moved to adjourn. Mr. Nelson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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Dr. Chris Sain, President

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Mischelle Corbin, Vice President

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Dr. Ashley Duggins

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Robert J. McLaughlin, Jr

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Wallace Nelson

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Dr. Keith Vance