

**ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY**  
**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**  
**July 19, 2017**

President Buddy Bunch called the July 19, 2017, meeting of the Alabama State Board of Pharmacy to order at 9:18 a.m. to conduct necessary business and determined a quorum was present. The following Board members were present:

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| Buddy R. Bunch   | President      |
| David S. Darby   | Vice President |
| Donna C. Yeatman | Treasurer      |
| Ralph E. Sorrell | Member         |
| Brenda R. Denson | Member         |

Other Alabama Board of Pharmacy staff members present were:

Edward R. Braden, Chief Inspector  
Cristal O. Anderson, Director of Compliance  
Glenn A. Wells, Drug Investigator  
Mark Delk, Drug Investigator  
Mark Hebert, Drug Investigator  
Rhonda Coker, Board of Pharmacy  
Wendy Passmore, Board of Pharmacy  
Vance Alexander, Hearing Officer

Members of the public present were:

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| Chris Riviere   | Bart Bamberg    |
| Ronda Lacey     | Jon Linna       |
| Becky Sorrell   | Julie Hunter    |
| Louise Jones    | Malia Manning   |
| Jeremy Smith    | Cammie Burgess  |
| Jeff Rowland    | Eddie Vanderver |
| Jeenu Philip    | Tracy Davis     |
| Brad Livingston | Scotty Armstead |

**1. MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA**

President Bunch called for a motion to adopt the agenda. A motion was presented by Mr. Darby and seconded by Ms. Yeatman. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

## 2. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer, Donna C. Yeatman, presented the treasurer's report. The Board is on track with expenses and income for the year. A motion was made to approve the treasurer's report by Mr. Sorrell and seconded by Ms. Denson. A vote was taken and the motion passed with ayes from Mr. Sorrell, Mr. Darby, Ms. Denson, and Mr. Bunch.

## 3. **WELLNESS COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mr. Bunch read Dr. Garver's Wellness Committee report. There are 155 people in the screening program. There are four pharmacists in treatment and three technicians in treatment, four pharmacists who are being held for six months before being presented to the Board, and one student waiting to be heard by the Board. The total number of pharmacy professionals identified and worked with in 2017 is 25: 13 pharmacists, ten technicians, and two students. The total number of pharmacy health professionals identified during this time period in 2016 was 26. All individuals who are in treatment or in evaluation or undecided are presently out of the workplace and without a license.

Dr. Garver has met personally with all licensees returning to work to sign contracts and explain how monitoring works. All returning licensees have been placed in a caduceus, either pharmacy or health professional. He thanks the Board for letting him serve recovering professionals and the staff for making the process seamless.

## 4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Darby and seconded by Mr. Sorrell to approve the abbreviated business meeting minutes from the June 28, 2017, business meeting. A vote was taken and the motion passed with aye votes from Mr. Sorrell, Mr. Darby, Ms. Denson, and Ms. Yeatman.

A motion was made by Mr. Darby and seconded by Mr. Sorrell and Ms. Yeatman to approve the interview minutes from the June 28, 2017, interviews. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

## 5. **INSPECTOR'S REPORT**

Chief Inspector Edward R. Braden was called upon to give his report of activities of the investigations and inspections. His report in the Dropbox listed the statistics for the month of June. Investigators also attended additional activities, including the APA conference and the ALSHP conference. Mr. Darby commended all investigators for their participation at the APA meeting and the outstanding job they did in the trade show.

## 6. **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

In Dr. Susan Alverson's absence, Cristal O. Anderson gave the Secretary's report, which consisted of the following:

- The State auditor is still in the building to conduct the audit. At this time, he does not need to meet with any Board members.

- NABP District III is August 6-8, 2017, in Louisville, Kentucky. Donna Yeatman, David Darby, Buddy Bunch, and Eddie Braden have registered to attend. If anyone else wishes to attend, they need to check in with Rhonda Coker soon to schedule the trip.
- The Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) will attend the December 13, 2017, meeting to discuss technician training and give the Board an overview of how other states approach technician training and education.
- The Board licensing staff has decided to temporarily use only paper applications for new businesses other than pharmacies. This is to help the staff better control the application intake and uploading process until these specific online application processes can be transitioned into an easier format.
- New computer applications will be launched at a later date. The staff is working with the computer company on this project. This will not affect pharmacy, pharmacist, or technician applications.
- Dr. Alverson and Ms. Anderson were asked to speak at the Alabama Board of Education's Mega Conference in early June in Mobile for the second consecutive year. They provided information for school nurses on topics including safety inventory systems, drug dosage forms, and identification and treatment of drug abuse and overdose. They are hoping this is building a good collaboration between the two agencies.

#### **7. ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Mr. Ward stated he only had items to discuss in executive session.

#### **8. OLD BUSINESS**

- Ms. Denson provided an update on repackaging in long-term care facilities. Dr. Alverson and Ms. Denson are in the process of working on a guidance document.
- Ms. Yeatman stated they are still waiting on the DEA to give the Board guidance on transferring an old or new CIII through CV prescriptions. Mr. Braden has been in contact with Justin Wood of the DEA. Mr. Wood is also awaiting confirmation from the DEA in Washington DC.

#### **9. NEW BUSINESS**

No new business was presented.

#### **10. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Mr. Darby and seconded by Ms. Yeatman to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing the qualifications and competency of those regulated by the Board. Mr. Ward stated that as an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Alabama, one of the reasons for the executive session is to discuss the resolution of pending cases