

**ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
October 17, 2018**

President David Darby called the October 17, 2018, meeting of the Alabama State Board of Pharmacy to order at 9:10 a.m. to conduct necessary business and determined a quorum was present.

The following Board members were present:

David S. Darby	President
Ralph E. Sorrell	Treasurer
Brenda R. Denson	Member
Chris Phung	Member
James S. Ward	Attorney

Other Alabama Board of Pharmacy staff members present were:

Donna C. Yeatman, Executive Secretary	Peyton Zarzour, Drug Investigator
Edward R. Braden, Chief Drug Investigator	Terry Lawrence
Cristal Anderson, Director of Compliance	Rhonda Coker
Scott Daniel, Asst. Chief Drug Investigator, Legal/Legislative Liaison	Wendy Passmore
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Members of the public present were:

Jeenu Philip	Scott Baker
Giyae Lee-Thornton	Jim Henry
Stephen Freeman	Chad Madill
Denise Morris	Bart Bamberg
Brent Arrington	Mary McKnight
Regan David	Brooklyn Gouge
Addison Upton	Kelli Newman
Thomas Cobb	Tomie Ann Boackle
Chris Whitman	Dee Thomason
Julie Lasseigne	Julie Hunter
Steve Bethea	Louise Jones
Ashley Stevenson	Tracy Davis
Amy Delano	Jeff Church
Jim LaBella	Eddie Vanderver
Roland Naseman	Derek Carmichael
Charlie Cook	

1. MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

President Darby called for a motion to adopt the agenda. A motion was presented by Mr. Sorrell and seconded by Dr. Denson. A vote was taken and the motion to adopt the agenda passed with aye votes from Mr. Sorrell, Mr. Darby, and Dr. Denson.

2. PRESENTATIONS:

- Ashley Stevenson, James LaBella, and Amy Delano of MedImpact Direct gave a presentation requesting a pharmacy services permit. They currently hold a nonresident permit and would be willing to surrender it to obtain the pharmacy services permit. After a discussion, the Board decided to take the request under advisement and asked that MedImpact Direct provide additional documentation and attend the November 2018 meeting.
- Scott Baker with Winfield Drugs gave a presentation regarding the potential of instituting telepharmacy in Alabama, especially in rural areas. The Board suggested several sources for him to contact regarding other states and models to study.
- Giyea Lee-Thornton of PipelineRx gave a presentation requesting a pharmacy services permit for its Denver, Colorado, location. PipelineRx provides full service remote pharmacy for institutional facilities and software to enable realtime patient profile information. PipelineRx has Alabama permits for its Las Vegas, Nevada, and Charleston, South Carolina, locations. Dr. Denson made a motion to approve the pharmacy services permit for the PipelineRx Denver, Colorado, location. A vote was taken and the motion to approve the pharmacy services permit for the PipelineRx Denver, Colorado, location passed unanimously.
- Chad Madill with Publix Pharmacy and Jim Henry of Cabaniss, Johnston law firm gave a presentation requesting to decrease the current pod sizes of neighborhood workload balancing sites from approximately six stores down to approximately three stores per pod. After a lengthy discussion regarding technician ratios in workload sharing situations, a motion was made by Mr. Sorrell to approve the new pods requested by Publix. He also moved to require the assisting pharmacy's actions are verified by the pharmacist at the remote site and have his/her initials appear on the label with the dispensing pharmacist's initials at the store or the pharmacy which is being assisted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Phung. After further discussion, that motion was tabled to allow Publix time to develop processes to satisfy the Board's request.

A second motion was made by Mr. Darby to approve the new pod structure requested by Publix for a period of 60 days until the December 12, 2018, Board meeting to allow Publix time to develop processes to comply with the Board's request for both pharmacists' initials to appear on the label and to address the technician ratio issue. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sorrell. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.