

**ALABAMA BOARD OF PHARMACY
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
JULY 15, 2026**

President Thomas H. Cobb called the July 15, 2026, meeting of the Alabama Board of Pharmacy to order at 9:09 a.m. to conduct necessary business. The meeting was held at the office of the Alabama Board of Pharmacy, 111 Village Street, Birmingham, Alabama 35242.

The following Board members were present:

Thomas H. Cobb	President
Stacy S. Giles	Vice President
Johnny Brooklere	Treasurer
Brandon Hicks	Member
Darelle Knight Marbury	Member
Jeb Mitchell	Member
Alecia Booker	Member
Honorable Freddie Stokes	Member
Nathan Pinner	Member

Alabama Board of Pharmacy staff members present in person or via WebEx teleconference were:

Aaron Dettling, Gen. Counsel, Disciplinary Division	Cristal Anderson, Dir. of Compliance
Scott Daniel, Gen. Counsel, Administrative Division	Rebecca Tindle, Licensing Supervisor
Jon Linna, Executive Secretary	Wendy Passmore, Operations Manager
Susan Alverson, Dir. of Regulatory Affairs	Patty Wright, Complaints, Investigation
Casey Shaw, Chief Investigator/HR	Terry Lawrence, IT Manager
Glenn Wells, Investigator	Phyllis Mathis, Receptionist
Anne Marie Nolen, Administrative Supervisor	

Members of the public present in person or via WebEx teleconference were:

Jim Easter	Lea Wolsoncroft	Julie Jordan
Logan Gray	Kelli Littlejohn	Susan DelMonico
Yuriah Cook	Keri Cunningham	Helen Cardona
Lauren Glass	Nakenya Mitchell	Dan Gillis
Kori Caldwell	Meredith Townsend	Heather Vega
Leigh Ann Ross	Lauren Lyles-Stolz	Maria Dean
Jack Adams	John Sousa	Gina Besteman
Jeff Church	Misty Gaddis	Katie Johnston
Starla Gamble	Melissa Utsey	Ben McDonald
Tara Queen	Jack Wanschek	Berkley Sykes
Brad Livingston	Kimberly Wright	Heather Vaughn
Anita Ward	Vicki Faulk	Betsy Lovellette
Louise Jones	Shannon Hurst	Carrie Kreps
Lauren Paul	Adam Stucki	Dawn Harmon
Danielle Cole	Elizabeth Hart	Caller 10

Krystyne Douglass
Sam Barakat
Charles Reid
Meredith Frazier
Kyle Sexton

Thomas B. Wolsoncroft
Rebekah Neal
Joseph Kreps
Traci Collier

Justin
Muchelle
Call-in User_1
Call-in User_2

1. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was given by Mr. Brooklere followed by recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Executive Secretary Linna called the roll. All nine Board members were present and a quorum was established.

3. AGENDA

President Cobb called for a motion to adopt the agenda with an addition to review CRC matters. A motion was made by Dr. Hicks and seconded by Mr. Brooklere to adopt the agenda, as amended. A vote was taken and the motion to adopt the agenda, as amended, passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Giles and seconded by Dr. Pinner to approve the June 17, 2026, interview minutes. A vote was taken and the motion to approve the June 17, 2026, interview minutes passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.

A motion was made by Ms. Giles and seconded by Mr. Brooklere to approve the June 17, 2026, business meeting minutes. A vote was taken and the motion to approve the June 17, 2026, business meeting minutes passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.

5. PRESENTATIONS

- Dr. Susan Alverson, Director of Regulatory Affairs for Alabama Board of Pharmacy, gave a presentation on peptides and the FDA's list of bulk drug substances that may not be compounded. She urged anyone with questions regarding what may or may not be compounded to please contact her at the Board office.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

- Mr. Brooklere presented the treasurer's report. As of June 30, 2026, total revenues for the fiscal year were 85.84 percent of annual budget. Operating expenses were 68.4 percent of budgeted amounts. Licensing fee revenues were 86.22 percent of budget projections. Overall operating expenditures remained slightly below budget at 68.4 percent of budget.

A motion was made by Ms. Giles and seconded by Dr. Hicks to accept the treasurer's report. A vote was taken and the motion to accept the treasurer's report passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.

7. WELLNESS COMMITTEE REPORT

Chief Investigator Casey Shaw gave the Wellness report as follows:

- All individuals being monitored are without complaint and their screens have been negative.
- There are 46 pharmacy health professionals being monitored, which is to be expected based on the number of licensees. This figure is slightly above the number of participants being monitored at the same time last year.

Current work-Pharmacists:

- Five pharmacists are currently in process, either in residential or outpatient treatment, being held out of practice following treatment, or undergoing evaluations.
- One pharmacist has relapsed and is deciding whether to obtain treatment or surrender his/her license.

Current work-Pharmacy Technicians:

- One pharmacy technician is in process, either in residential or outpatient treatment, being held out of practice following treatment, or undergoing an evaluation.
- Two pharmacy technicians have not accepted nor returned Dr. Garver's calls.

Current work-Pharmacy Students:

- One pharmacy student is in process, either in residential or outpatient treatment, being held out of practice following treatment, or undergoing an evaluation. This student is the first to use the less expensive and intensive evaluation designed for students and technicians.

8. CHIEF INVESTIGATOR'S REPORT

Chief Investigator Casey Shaw gave his report as follows:

- During June 2026, investigators completed 137 compliance inspections. No violations were identified that warranted a complaint or possible issuance of a statement of charges. From January 1, 2026, through June 30, 2026, investigators completed a total of 819 inspections with one violation identified for further review.
- During June 2026, the Board received 17 complaints and completed 16 investigations. No complaints were referred to legal counsel for review for possible issuance of a statement of charges for alleged violations of the Pharmacy Practice Act.
- Year to date, the Board has received 119 complaints, seven of which have been referred to legal counsel for further review and possible issuance of statements of charges.
- Since the last Board meeting, five pharmacy burglaries have been reported. Three occurred in the northern district and two were in the middle district.
- The two Dodge Durango vehicles purchased by the Board are in the state awaiting delivery to the dealership. Delivery is anticipated between July 16 and July 23, 2026.

9. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Executive Secretary Jon Linna gave his report, which consisted of the following:

- Since the last Board meeting, there has been one reported pharmacy closure in Bessemer, Alabama.
- Mr. Linna and Mr. Dettling attended a meeting in Montgomery with representatives from the Department of Public Health, Board of Medical Examiners, Board of Dental Examiners, Medical Cannabis Commission, and a Medical Association of the State of Alabama representative. Major topics of discussion included whether PDMP reporting would be required for medical cannabis sales and feedback from the boards to ADPH regarding the upcoming rescheduling of medical cannabis.

Medical cannabis is authorized and sold, so it will not be subject to PDMP reporting. However, prescribers and pharmacists will have access to the medical cannabis registry to assist in creating a complete patient medical history.

The Alabama Compassion Act contains preemptive language permitting the use of medical cannabis regardless of its controlled substance schedule. Since federal hearings regarding the rescheduling of marijuana are currently underway, it may be less confusing for Alabama to delay adopting any federal scheduling changes pending the outcome of the federal rescheduling discussion.

The ADPH hearing for the proposed rescheduling is July 22, 2026, in Montgomery. Details for participating are on the ADPH website.

- Mr. Linna, Dr. Marbury, and Dr. Cobb attended the Alabama Society of Health System Pharmacists summer meeting. President Cobb provided a Board update covering the composition of the Board, recent and upcoming rulemaking activities, and a historical view of enforcement actions. The meeting provided an excellent opportunity to connect with pharmacy leadership in health systems throughout Alabama and gain insight into the challenges facing those practitioners and institutions.
- Several state boards have reported taking action related to peptide compounding. Ohio issued summary suspensions to 52 peptide clinics that ordered and dispensed unapproved peptide products. Additionally, suspensions were issued to several 503A pharmacies that were not in compliance with FDA guidelines for patient-specific compounding. NABP is developing model language to address med spas and similar clinic settings.
- Technician licensing manager Ashley Huntley has accepted another professional opportunity. She has served with the Board for nearly ten years and made meaningful contributions to its operations. The Board is thankful for her years of service and wishes her continued success in her future endeavors.

Terry Lawrence will oversee pharmacy technician licensure until a more permanent staffing structure is established in the licensing department.

- PDMP is available to all pharmacists. Pharmacists should create a PDMP account to access this resource. The compliance department will send notifications to pharmacies

regarding missing data in submissions. Pharmacies should respond to any notices and correct identified deficiencies.

- ADPH substance misuse summits will be held in August in Mobile and Huntsville. Details are available on the ADPH website.

10. ATTORNEY REPORT

- In a longstanding appeal arising from a case pending in the Montgomery County Circuit Court, which was settled approximately two years ago, but the settlement has not been fully performed, a hearing has been scheduled for July 20, 2026. Mr. Dettling and Mr. Linna plan to attend the hearing.
- The lawsuit challenging aspects of the Board's rulemaking procedures has been dismissed. The Court agreed with the Board's position that it lacked subject matter jurisdiction to consider the case in the manner in which it was presented.

11. OLD BUSINESS

- A public hearing was held regarding Rule 680-X-2-.40, Non-disciplinary Penalties. This rule amendment addresses the concerns of the Legislative Council Co-chairs. The Board received one comment. After a discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Brooklere and seconded by Ms. Giles to adopt Rule 680-X-2-.40 without change. A vote was taken and the motion to adopt Rule 680-X-2-.40 without change passed with aye votes from Dr. Cobb, Ms. Giles, Mr. Brooklere, Dr. Hicks, Dr. Marbury, Judge Stokes, Ms. Booker, and Dr. Pinner. Dr. Mitchell voted nay. No abstentions recorded.
- The following rules are in the rulemaking process:
 - Rule 680-X-2-.05, Pharmacies, clarifies the definitions of chain and independent pharmacies. The rule became effective July 13, 2026.
 - Rule 680-X-3-.03, Time and Method of Payment; Renewal and Non-disciplinary Penalty for Late Renewal of Controlled Substances Permit removes the non-disciplinary component of the rule (to be placed into 680-X-2-.40). The rule became effective July 13, 2026.
 - Rule 680-X-1-.03, Petition for Declaratory Ruling of the Board establishes an official process for declaratory rulings. The rule becomes effective August 14, 2026.
 - Rule 680-X-1.04, Petition for Adoption, Amendment, or Repeal of a Rule establishes an official process for adopting, amending, or repealing a rule. The rule becomes effective August 14, 2026.
 - Rule 680-X-2-.50, Civil Penalties, and 680-X-A, Appendices, were proposed last month. The public hearing will be August 19, 2026. Comments are due to Anne Marie Nolen by August 14, 2026.
- A discussion was held regarding Rule 680-X-2-.23, Drug Manufacturers; Wholesale

Distributors Private Label Distributors; Repackagers, Third-Party Logistics Providers; Outsourcing Facilities; Reverse Distributors; and Retail Medical Oxygen Suppliers. The amendment for Rule 680-X-2-.23 was certified at the April 15, 2026, Board meeting, with an effective date of June 14, 2026. The certification lowered permit fees to pre-amendment amounts. To readopt the fee amounts certified in February, the rulemaking process must be restarted. Mr. Dettling recommended delaying action until the August 19, 2026, Board meeting which would allow the rule to become effective in January after completion of the renewal cycle. No action taken.

- A discussion was held regarding amending Rule 680-X-2-.14, The Role of Technicians in Pharmacies. During the Board's legal compliance audit, it was determined that sections (10)(b) and (c) of the rule incorrectly reference Alabama Code § 34-24-1. The correct statutory citation is Alabama Code § 34-23-1. A motion was made by Ms. Giles and seconded by Dr. Hicks to begin the rulemaking process on Rule 680-X-2-.14 to correct the statutory reference to Alabama Code § 34-23-1. A vote was taken and the motion to begin the rulemaking process on Rule 680-X-2-.14 to correct the statutory reference to Alabama Code § 34-23-1 passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.
- A discussion was held regarding proposed rules addressing military portability and digital signatures. Mr. Dettling provided Board members with a draft digital signature rule and advised that additional logistics need to be addressed regarding the military portability rule before it is presented to the Board. Mr. Dettling anticipates beginning the rulemaking process for both rules at the August 19, 2026, Board meeting.

RECESS: A recess was taken from 10:04 a.m. to 10:20 a.m.

- A discussion was held regarding Board governance rule drafts. During the June 17, 2026, Board meeting, Mr. Dettling provided Board members with two proposed rules for consideration: Rule 680-X-1-.06, Officers of the Board, and Rule 680-X-1-.07, Meetings of the Board. Drafts of both rules were provided.

A motion was made by Dr. Pinner and seconded by Mr. Brooklere to begin rulemaking on Rule 680-X-1-.06, Officers of the Board. A vote was taken and the motion to begin rulemaking on Rule 680-X-1-.06, Officers of the Board, passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.

A motion was then made by Ms. Giles and seconded by Mr. Brooklere to begin rulemaking on Rule 680-X-1-.07, Meetings of the Board. A vote was taken and the motion to begin rulemaking on Rule 680-X-1-.07, Meetings of the Board, passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.

- Mr. Shaw provided an update regarding his research into a process for granting a pharmacy permit prior to inspection. After the discussion, Mr. Shaw will continue developing this process and will create a standardized format outlining the requirements that must be completed within a pharmacy to potentially qualify for a conditional permit or as the project develops. An update will be provided at a later date.

- A discussion was held regarding emergency dispensing in institutional pharmacies. A draft rule was presented to Board members. After an in-depth discussion, Dr. Nolen will make several revisions to the proposed rule and present it to the Board at the August 19, 2026, meeting.
- Mr. Brooklere led a discussion regarding the fiscal year 2027 budget. He recognized Board members and staff who participated in the budget committee meeting, as well as Milicent Yeager with The Driskell CPA Firm, for their assistance. The preliminary draft draft will be posted to the Board's website by the middle of next week.
- A discussion was held regarding travel to the NABP District III meeting and the Maltagon meeting. A motion was made by Judge Stokes and seconded by Mr. Brooklere to approve travel for Ms. Giles, Dr. Hicks, and Dr. Pinner to attend the NABP District III meeting. A vote was taken and the motion to approve travel for Ms. Giles, Dr. Hicks, and Dr. Pinner to attend the NABP District III meeting passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.

A motion was made by Judge Stokes and seconded by Ms. Booker to approve travel for Dr. Cobb, Ms. Giles, Mr. Brooklere, Dr. Hicks, and Ms. Booker to attend the Maltagon meeting. A vote was taken and the motion to approve travel for Dr. Cobb, Ms. Giles, Mr. Brooklere, Dr. Hicks, and Ms. Booker to attend the Maltagon meeting passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.

12. NEW BUSINESS

- Case review committee matters were reviewed and the following motions were made:

A motion was made by Dr. Hicks and seconded by Ms. Giles for no violation in case numbers 26-0118, 26-0122, and 26-0136. A vote was taken and the motion for no violation passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.

A motion was made by Dr. Hicks and seconded by Ms. Giles for no further action in case numbers 24-0147, 25-0106, 26-0105, 26-0117, and 26-0142. A vote was taken and the motion for no further action passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.

A motion was made by Dr. Hicks and seconded by Ms. Giles to issue a letter of concern in case number 26-0103. A vote was taken and the motion to issue a letter of concern passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.

A motion was made by Dr. Hicks and seconded by Ms. Giles to issue a letter of concern and corrective action in case numbers 26-0095, 26-0119, and 26-0128. A vote was taken and the motion to issue a letter of concern and corrective action passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.

A motion was made by Dr. Hicks and seconded by Mr. Brooklere to issue a warning letter in case number 26-0099. A vote was taken and the motion to issue a warning letter passed with aye votes from Dr. Cobb, Mr. Brooklere, Dr. Hicks, Dr. Marbury, Dr. Mitchell, Judge Stokes, Ms. Booker, and Dr. Pinner. Ms. Giles abstained. No nays recorded.

A motion was made by Dr. Hicks and seconded by Ms. Giles to accept a voluntary surrender in case number 26-0121. A vote was taken and the motion to accept a voluntary surrender passed unanimously. No nays or abstentions recorded.

13. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 11:54 a.m.



Thomas H. Cobb, President



Jon M. Linna, Executive Secretary

8/19/26
Date