Commission of Pharmacy Meeting Minutes WEDNESDAY, May 25, 2011

Commissioners and staff present:

Steve Beaudin deLinda Brown-Jagne, Board Administrator

James Cangelosi Mary Inguanti

William Summa, Chair

Fred Vegliante

Absent:

Edith Goodmaster Steven Schwane, DCP Legal Counsel

(attending NABP annual meeting)

Others present:

Ali Armstrong Supendeep Dosanjh Robert Guynn Eser Ercil **Robert Jansing** Melissa McFarland Abey Joseph Meghann Jones Phil Meynoff Karl Nieforth Alexander Pham **Corey Schmitt** Lawrence Sobel Maureen Sobel Imran Yousaf Peter Tyczkowski

Meeting Called to Order State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Room 126

Hartford, Connecticut

Interview of Reciprocity Candidates

Chairman Summa provided an overview of the telephone interview including the reasons why the following questions are asked during the interview process. The questions are asked of potential licensees in order to ensure proper communication skills since the pharmacist will need to interact with patients and community members, as well as give the pharmacist an opportunity to explain his or her past experiences and disciplinary action, if any.

The questions asked by the Commission are:

- 1. Have you ever been before a Board?
- 2. Have you ever had a problem with drugs or alcohol?
- 3. What is Connecticut's CE requirement?
- 4. What is the pharmacy technician ratio for Connecticut?
- 5. Why are you seeking licensure in Connecticut?

*Judith Beaulac Leominster, MA

*Agnes Bergeron pending interview Palm Beach Gardens, FL

Melissa Mcfarland Brookfield, CT *Ashraf Moustafa San Diego, CA

*Stephanie Purdon Cincinnati, OH

*Amanda Silva East Taunton, MA

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Beaudin, seconded by Commissioner Vegliante and a vote of 5-0 was passed approving the above applicants for licensure by reciprocity.

First Time Managers

Commissioner Summa summarized the responsibilities of a first-time pharmacy manager and the reason for their appearance before the Commission. Commissioner Summa also emphasized the importance of the pharmacy manager's role as opposed to the front-store manager (in many retail settings).

Commissioner Inguanti provided first-time managers with a brief overview of reporting errors and the Med Watch program.

Appearing before the Commission as first-time managers are:

Supendeep Dosanjh Walgreens Pharmacy #6308

PCT.11451 Norwalk

Alexander Pham CVS/pharmacy #1149

PCT.11742 Norwalk

Application for Pharmacy Internship

Graduates of foreign pharmacy schools must appear before the Commission to be interviewed prior to being approved for internships. During the interview, the Commission asks the potential intern questions regarding the experience in the field of pharmacy. Those questions include:

- 1) Where did you attend pharmacy school?
- 2) Explain your experience as a pharmacist (retail, hospital, or community)?
- 3) How is the practice of pharmacy different in the country where you gained experience?

Those who appeared before the Commission to request approval as an intern are:

Necmiye Eser Ercil Imran Yousaf

Commission action: The above candidates were approved for internships as foreign pharmacy graduates.

^{*}denotes telephone interview

New Pharmacy Applications

*Arrow Prescription Center #10, Inc. 57 North Street, Suite 104 Danbury, CT 06810

Procare LTC Pharmacy of Connecticut, Inc. 1492 Highland Avenue Cheshire, CT 06410

Right Care Pharmacy, Inc. 2533 Main Street Bridgeport, CT 06605

Commission action: Motion made by Commissioner Vegliante and seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 5-0 was passed approving the above new pharmacy applications.

Pharmacy Remodel

Updated floor plans for four (4) Walgreens pharmacy locations were reviewed and submitted for the following:

Walgreens #2976 399 West Main Street Norwich, CT 06360 PCY.1471

Walgreens #3192 649 West Main Street

Waterbury, CT 06702

PCY.1521

Walgreens #7585 102 Washington Street New Britain, CT 06051

PCY.1427

Walgreens #6474 88 York Street

New Haven, CT 06511

PCY.1778

Pharmacy Relocations

None

Legal Matters

Docket Number 11-353 This pharmacist, Dawn Rizzi (PCT.9968) voluntarily surrendered her pharmacist license in April of 2010. The Department is satisfied that this pharmacist has taken the necessary steps to regain her license. Ms. Rizzi has a record of counseling, negative drug screens and a letter from her counselor recommending reinstatement. *Since this pharmacist's license has been suspended twice, the proposed agreement is stricter than the normal reinstatement agreement.* A motion was made by Commissioner Vegliante, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 4-0 was passed accepting the Department's recommendation.

Docket Number 11-355 Rudie Dajie (PCT.10734) pharmacist was the manager of a pharmacy that had been inspected by Drug Control. The Drug Control agent advised the manager to

^{*}No appearance by Pharmacy Manager or representative

correct certain problems noted during the initial inspection. The manager failed to completely correct these problems after a second inspection.

The Drug Control Division recommended taking action against the Mr. Dajie, rather than the pharmacy, which is not owned by a pharmacist. Drug Control emphasized that the uncorrected issues were not major, but felt that some financial penalty to the manager was appropriate. *The department is recommending a \$500 civil penalty to the pharmacist manager*. A motion was made by Commissioner Inguanti, seconded by Commissioner Beaudin and a vote of 4-0 was passed accepting the Department's recommendation.

Collaborative Practice Inquiry at May Meeting - Review of memo from Attorney Schwane regarding "Proposed Regulations Concerning Collaborative Drug Therapy Management" (attached).

Update on Carl Mancini – Chairman Summa stated that the Commission of Pharmacy is unable to make any judgments regarding this request at this time. The candidate must apply for licensure or request reinstatement and, at that time, the Agency will make a decision as to whether or not they will accept the application or request for licensure. The Commission will become involved only if a hearing is necessary.

Request for CE Waivers, etc.

None

Miscellaneous

Reassignment of Commission member duties – Chairman Summa has announced the following changes in member responsibilities:

Commissioner Inguanti will be responsible for reviewing the meeting minutes, continuing education program requests as well as continue to work alongside NABP with MPJE-related duties:

Commissioner Beaudin will be responsible for conducting reciprocity interviews;

Commssioner Goodmaster will be responsible for reviewing continuing education extension and waiver requests;

Commissioner Cangelosi will be responsible for reviewing new pharmacy applications, relocations and remodels presented before the Commission.

Commissioner Vegliante will be responsible for reviewing new pharmacy applications, relocations and remodels presented before the Commission.

All members will continue to step down on assigned Drug Control cases as necessary.

Update re: Reciprocity Candidates – regarding Connecticut Pharmacy Regulation Sec. 20-576-7 (1), the Board Administrator stated she spoke with both the Director of Drug Control, John Gadea, and Drug Control Agent and former Board Administrator, Michelle Sylvestre, regarding the regulation and Agent Sylvestre did confirm that the regulation was previously interpreted as a means to allow candidates licensed in other states who had obtained a 5-year B.S. in Pharmacy to transfer their license to Connecticut, though we currently require a Pharm.D. However, it was

also suggested by Mr. Gadea that an interpretation by the Assistant Attorney General be provided. *The Board Administrator will make the request for interpretation prior to the June meeting.*

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes of April 27, 2011

Commission action: Motion made by Commissioner Inguanti and seconded by Commissioner Beaudin and a vote of 5-0 was passed approving meeting minutes of April 27, 2001.

Non-Resident Pharmacy Applications

Balanced Solutions Compounding Pharmacy, LLC 550 Technology Park, Ste 1008 Lake Mary, FL 32746

CVS Rx Services, Inc. d/b/a Retail Pharmacy Customer Care Center 2100 Highland Corporate Park Drive Cumberland, RI 02864

Leighton Pharmacy, Inc. d/b/a Sheffield Pharmacy & Homecare 400 S. Montgomery Avenue, Ste 108 Sheffield, AL 35660

Stroheckers Pharmacy 2855-A SW Patton Road Portland, OR 97201

Commission action: Motion made by Commissioner Vegliante and seconded by Commissioner Cangelosi and a vote of 5-0 was passed approving the above applications for non-resident pharmacy registration.

Adjournment

To: Commission of Pharmacy

From: Steven Schwane

Re: Proposed Regulations Concerning Collaborative Drug Therapy Management

Date: May 10, 2011

At its April meeting, the Commission asked me to find out the present status of the proposed regulations on Collaborative Drug Therapy Management. I contacted Gary Berner, who gave me this reply:

"The drafting of these proposed regs by DCP has been completed and they are currently being reviewed by the Governor's Office and OPM (which is our normal procedure). Once we receive approval to proceed, they will be noticed for a public hearing.

It's not possible to predict when that approval may occur, although we are tracking the progress on our "open regs" spreadsheet. When approval is recd, I will make sure you are advised."

I will keep the Commission informed when I get updated information.

S/MEMO-PHARMACY COMMISSION-STATUS OF REGULATIONS