

**Commission of Pharmacy
Meeting Minutes
WEDNESDAY, October 26, 2011**

Commissioners and staff present:

Steve Beaudin	deLinda Brown-Jagne, Board Administrator
James Cangelosi	Steven Schwane, DCP Legal Counsel
Edith Goodmaster	
Mary Inguanti	Absent:
William Summa, Chair	Fred Vegliante

Others present:

Vishal Barochitz	Laura Craven
Eric Greenfeld	Leslie Higgins
Robert Jansing	Maham Khan
John Lightle	Jenna Neal
John Parisi	Maria Summa
Peter Tyczkowski	Jonah Tyler

Meeting Called to Order 10:10 a.m. St. Joseph College School of Pharmacy
229 Trumbull Street, 3rd Floor, Hartford, Connecticut

Commissioner Summa addressed the group, welcoming all to this month's meeting, including University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy Students and thanking Dr. Ofosu and the St. Joseph's College School of Pharmacy for hosting the October meeting.

Legal Matters

DN 11-715 During a routine inspection of a Walmart Pharmacy #10-2200 (PCY.2056), a Drug Control agent noticed that the pharmacy's controlled substances safe was left open. The pharmacy was given a verbal warning. Drug Control later found the safe open on two occasions. *The Department is recommending a \$2,000 civil penalty.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Inguanti, seconded by Commissioner Cangelosi and a vote of 4-1 was passed accepting the Agency's recommendation. (Commissioner Beaudin abstains; he expressed concern regarding the low fine, given the number of times Drug Control Agents were on the premise and provided the Pharmacy Manager with a verbal warning.)

New Cases – Since the September meeting, Attorney Schwane has received 2 Pharmacy Technician surrenders and 10 new cases (4 prescription errors, 3 drug diversions, and 3 confidentiality breaches).

Approval of Reciprocity Candidates

Chairman Summa spoke briefly about the reciprocity interviews taken place by telephone once candidates achieve successful completion of the MPJE (law exam). This month, the following candidates are being considered for licensure:

*Song Y. Vanessa Han
West Hartford, CT

From California

*Mia Medeiros
Bristol, RI

From Rhode Island

*Jane Schmitz
Cincinnati, OH

From Ohio

*Ravikumar Talluri
LaGrande, OR

From Washington

Nevit Sami
St. James, NY

From New York

Mina Torabi
Stamford, CT

From New York

Michael Vail II
Hopedale, MA

From Massachusetts

*pending telephone interview

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Beaudin, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 4-1 (Commissioner Goodmaster abstains) 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). Some responsibilities include licensing, diversion, training, leadership, day reports and prescription error reporting.

Commissioner Inguanti provided those attending as first-time managers with a brief overview of properly reporting and documenting pharmacy errors and the Med Watch program's recall and alerts system.

Appearing before the Commission as first-time managers are:

Laura Craven
PCT.11698

CVS/pharmacy #1276
Bristol

Eric Greenfeld
PCT.5818

Main Street Pharmacy
Bridgeport

Jenna Neal
PCT.11592

CVS/pharmacy #840
Hartford

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?

The following candidates appeared before the Commission to request approval as an intern:

Maham Khan
Shelton, CT

Commission action: The above applicant was approved for a pharmacy intern permit as a foreign pharmacy graduate.

New Pharmacy Applications

None

Pharmacy Remodel

None

Pharmacy Relocations

None

Request for CE Waivers, etc.

Jennifer DeLeonardis (PCT.9738) is enrolled in a PharmD program at MCPHS and is requesting a waiver of her 2011 continuing education requirement. *This request is approved; submission of transcript is required and request should be made annually.*

Request for CE Program Approval

Connecticut Law Update – 2011
Hartford Hospital
October 20, 2011
Gerald DeStefano
1.0 Contact Hours/0.1 CEU (Live)

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Inguanti, seconded by Commissioner Cangelosi and a vote of 5-0 was passed accepting the above continuing education program for approval.

Miscellaneous

Teena Sam (PTP.370) is requesting an extension of her temporary permit to January 18, 2012; she expects to complete the law exam before that time.

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Cangelosi, seconded by Commissioner Goodmaster and a vote of 5-0 was passed approving the above temporary permit extension request.

Approval of Minutes

Review and approval of the September 28, 2011 meeting minutes

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Inguanti, seconded by Commissioner Beaudin and a vote of 5-0 was passed approving the minutes of the September 28, 2011 meeting.

Non-Resident Pharmacy Applications

Direct Success Pharmacy Department
1710 Highway 34
Farmingdale, NJ 07727

Everest Pharmacy
588 West 8360 South
Sandy, UT 84070

Hellertown Pharmacy
11 Main Street
Hellertown, PA 18055

Injury Med Express Pharmacy
30245 County Road 49, Room 100
Loxley, AL 36551

Meds at Home
6225 Annie Oakley Drive, Suite 300
Las Vegas, NV 89120

MyBrand – Rx
159 Gibraltar Road
Horsham, PA 19044

North Coast Medical Supply
2544 Campbell Place, Suite 150
Carlsbad, CA 92009

PetMeds2Go.com
137 West State Street
Dike, IA 50624

Troy Pharmacy
1612 Lowrie Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15212

The Wellness Center Pharmacy, Inc.
7304 Jarnigan Road
Chattanooga, TN 37421

Commission action: A motion was made by Commissioner Cangelosi, seconded by Commissioner Inguanti and a vote of 5-0 was passed approving the above non-resident pharmacy applications.

NABP District Meeting

Commissioner Goodmaster provided the group with an overview of the meeting which recently took place at the Liberty Hotel in Boston. Topics included: “What is a good pharmacist?”, “Counterfeit Pharmaceuticals”, “Container Labels for Patient Safety”, as well as two District I Resolutions.

Next year’s meeting will be hosted by District II in the Poconos since the NABP annual meeting will be in Philadelphia; the next District I meeting will be in Maine.

Closing Comments

Dean Ofosu addressed the group, thanking us for our attendance this morning, as well as providing an update of the school’s activities and events. There are currently 67 students enrolled in the program which is a 3-year (intense) modular program from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. daily with one two-week break during summer. All potential students must have a Bachelor’s degree and a laptop. The program is technology-based, so most textbooks are online.

Next year’s faculty have been (or are currently being) interviewed, and phase II of construction (which includes a student lounge admissions office) will begin in late December/early January. Dr. Ofosu also invited individuals to stop in whenever possible.

Chairman Summa, once again, thanked Dr. Ofosu for hosting.

Adjournment

Commissioner Inguanti made a motion for the meetings adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.