

**ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY**  
**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**  
**June 19, 2019**

President Kenny Sanders called the June 19, 2019 meeting of the Alabama State Board of Pharmacy to order at 9:07 a.m. to conduct necessary business and determined a quorum was present.

The following Board members were present:

C. Kenneth Sanders	President
Ralph E. Sorrell	Vice President
Brenda R. Denson	Treasurer
Chris Phung	Member
Rob Colburn	Member

Other Alabama Board of Pharmacy staff members present were:

James S. Ward, Board Attorney	Todd Brooks, Drug Investigator
Donna C. Yeatman, Executive Secretary	Peyton Zarzour, Drug Investigator
Susan P. Alverson, Ph.D., Dir.-Regulatory Affairs	Terry Lawrence
Cristal Anderson, Director of Compliance	Rhonda Coker
Edward R. Braden, Chief Drug Investigator	Wendy Passmore
Scott Daniel, Asst. Chief Drug Investigator, Legal/Legislative Liaison	Kim Pickett
Glenn Wells, Drug Investigator	Twalia King
Richard Lambruschi, Drug Investigator	

Members of the public present were:

Ian Van Every	Ava Eure	Kelli Newman
John Guthrie	Rosanne Thurman	Kelly Tate
Montana Fleenor	Morgan Smith	Chris Riviere
Louise Jones	Grace Berlin	Dan Luce
Tracy Davis	Charlie Cook	Rachel Smelley
Laura Matthews	Alyssa Chaudhari	Alex Jenkins
Roland Naseman	Jim Easter	Trey Dailey
Julie Lasseigne	Ella Holden	Geoffrey Hunt
Jonathan Fowler	Melissa Pharo	Jordan Stoner
Sarah Merkle	Stephen McCormick	Julie Hunter
John Wesley Williamson	Jeremy Smith	Katherine Cespedes
Matt Copeland	Mary Leigh Latham	Rusty Harris
Robby Smith	Philip Boyd	Bart Bamberg
Todd Donnelly	Donnis Hackney	Mark Johnston
Camellia Speegle	Mary Katherine Weeks	Shaina Jackson
Matt Todd	Dan McConaghy	Mallory Mullins
Logan McCall	Gary Mount	Mark Caddell
Richelle Chambliss	Clemice Hurst	Bill Eley

**1. MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA**

President Sanders 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 unanimously.

**2. PRESENTATIONS:**

- Jeremy Smith with Guardian Pharmacy gave a presentation requesting approval for remote order entry for their Jasper location. The Board approved pre-verification to allow the Birmingham pharmacy to pre-verify for the Jasper pharmacy. The Board requested Mr. Smith to provide his policies and procedures, at which time the Board could approve the remote order entry request.
- Ian Van Every and John Guthrie gave a presentation on behalf of Lemonaid Pharmacy, LLC requesting a non-residency pharmacy permit. The Board's consensus was to approve pending a request that Mr. Van Every verify with the Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners that there's a valid patient/physician relationship and upon receiving final documentation showing verification from the Secretary of State.
- Todd Donnelly with DDCRX d/b/a Exact Care Pharmacy gave a presentation regarding their use of compliance packaging. Dr. Donnelly discussed single strip dose packages for time-of-day dispensing, the packaging material, medication quantities suitable for the pack, customization, labeling, and shipment information. The Board approved the packaging and labeling request made by Exact Care Pharmacy.

**3. TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Treasurer Brenda Denson presented the Treasurer's Report. Total revenues are at 102.32 percent of the fiscal year budget. Total expenses are at 70.77 percent of the fiscal year budget. Employee benefits and state travel, rentals, supplies, and transportation are on track for budget projections. Repairs and maintenance of the building are exceeding the annual budget but are being addressed. Overall expenses remain on target with the annual budget projections.

A motion was made by Mr. Sorrell and seconded by Mr. Colburn to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion to approve the Treasurer's Report passed with aye votes from Mr. Sorrell, Mr. Colburn, Dr. Denson, and Mr. Phung.

**4. WELLNESS COMMITTEE REPORT**

Chief Drug Investigator Edward R. Braden gave the Wellness Committee report on behalf of Dr. Garver. There are currently 127 people in the screening program. This number includes individuals with signed monitoring contracts but does not include the number of individuals who choose not to contact the Board after being advised to by investigators or staff.

There are three pharmacy technicians in residential treatment and two pharmacists in residential treatment. There is one pharmacist being held for six months before being presented to the Board who is not in a halfway house. There are two pharmacy students in treatment and one student going for evaluation.

The total number of pharmacy professionals identified and worked with in 2019 is 23.

#### **5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Sorrell and seconded by Mr. Phung to approve the abbreviated business meeting minutes from the May 22, 2019 business meeting. A vote was taken and the motion to approve the meeting minutes passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Sorrell and seconded by Dr. Denson to approve the May 22, 2019 interview minutes. A vote was taken and the motion to approve the interview minutes passed unanimously.

#### **6. INVESTIGATOR'S REPORT**

Chief Drug Investigator Edward R. Braden was called upon to give his report of investigations and inspection statistics. Mr. Braden discussed inspections completed, number of complaints received, number of complaints completed, additional activities for which the Board was involved in May 2019, including enforcement actions.

#### **7. SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Donna Yeatman gave the Executive Secretary's report, which consisted of the following:

- Ms. Yeatman announced that all four Board of Pharmacy bills have been passed and signed by the governor. All are effective at the date of the governor's signature except for the Collaborative Practice bill. The CPA bill will be effective October 1, 2019. The Board is in the process of engaging with the Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners and states they hope to write joint rules. Ms. Yeatman thanked everyone who participated in getting this legislation passed.
- Ms. Yeatman announced that the governor has signed the hemp bill making it legal for Alabama pharmacies to sell hemp products so long as it is less than .3 percent THC and that certificates of analysis are verified.
- Ms. Yeatman addressed Gabapentin rescheduling and mentioned there was an amendment providing a six-month extension for reclassification that will go into effect November 18, 2019.
- The building remodel continues. A landscaping company has been engaged to address the drainage issues and to remove trees that might affect the foundation of the building. This is expected to take four to six weeks. Dormer work has been delayed.