

**MINUTES OF THE  
IDAHO STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY  
August 6, 2020  
Conference Call  
&  
Board of Pharmacy Office  
1199 Shoreline Ln  
Boise, Idaho**

This meeting of the Board was held to conduct regular Board business. Due to limited COVID-19 and limited seating space, the meeting was held 'in-person' and conference call. The telephone conference line information was published on the agenda and posted to the Board's website. The conference line was open for the duration of the meeting.

Chairman Kris Jonas, PharmD, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Those in attendance telephonically included Rich de Blaquiere, PharmD; Ali Breshears, DAG; Jaime Thompson, Amy Hickerson, and Wendy Shiell, Compliance Officers, Steve Olsen, DAG; and members of the public.

Those in the Board office included Dr. Jonas, PharmD; Ed Sperry, Public Member; Justin Messenger, PharmD; Kevin Ellis, PharmD; Nicki Chopski, PharmD, Executive Director; Berk Fraser, RPh, Deputy Executive Director; Theresa Arnold, Management Assistant; Fred Collings, Chief Investigator; Kaitlin Walker, ISU Student Pharmacist, and Ellen Mitchell, Program Information Coordinator.

Dr. de Blaquiere motioned to amend the agenda to include Item K. Mr. Sperry seconded, and the motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

After a brief discussion Dr. de Blaquiere motioned to approve the minutes of July 9, 2020. Dr. Messenger seconded, and the motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

The Board took up the matter of Belle Chemical appeal for registration of their facility. Shawn Ward, Director of Health, Safety, Security and Environmental for Belle Chemical attended the meeting telephonically, with counsel Kim C. Stanger. Following a brief discussion Mr. Sperry motioned to set aside the inspection requirement and approve the application. Dr. de Blaquiere seconded and the motion carried by roll call vote.

Mr. Sperry stepped out of the meeting at 8:55 a.m.

Irvin Christensen, RPh attended the meeting telephonically to update the Board on process improvements at Eastman Drug. Following discussion Dr. Messenger motioned approve the plan of action for process improvement. Dr. Ellis seconded and the motion carried by roll call vote.

The Board took up the Consent Agenda, during discussion of the travel calendar Dr. Jonas added that she had been invited to the NABP task force in December. Dr. Chopski encouraged Drs. Ellis and Messenger to attend the NABP Interactive Forum in January 2021. As noted on the Travel Calendar many meetings have been converted to virtual attendance due to COVID-19 and travel restrictions that are in place.

While reviewing the update from Southworth Associates, Dr. Messenger suggested having a graduate of the program write a newsletter article, or to the Board meeting and talk about how the program helped them. He also suggested putting more information on the website.

Mr. Fraser presented the Exercises of Delegated Authority, indicating there were 129 letters sent regarding continuing education deficiencies. He believes some of the deficiencies are related to the change to calendar year. The Board would like to know if eliminating the MPJE has had an impact on compliance. Following a brief discussion, Dr. Messenger motioned to accept the Consent Agenda. Dr. Ellis seconded, and the motion carried by roll call vote.

Mr. Sperry returned to the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

The Board took up the matter of Absolute Pharmacy. Following a brief discussion Dr. Ellis motion to approve the Stipulation as written. Dr. de Blaquiere seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Kaitlin Walker presented her research on Just Culture and Corrective Action Plan Review. Following her presentation Mr. Sperry asked Dr. Chopski to send a letter of commendation to ISU College of Pharmacy acknowledging Ms. Walker's great work.

The Board took up the agenda item Inspections under Item F. No action was taken following discussion.

Following the lunch break the Board took up Concern Processing. Dr. Chopski framed the topic indicating the term 'complaint' was changed to 'concern' based on advice from the Deputy Attorney General. She requested direction from the Board on verbiage. Dr. Chopski also presented the Delegated Authority document and Process Flow Chart for annual review, update, and approval. Following discussion, the Board granted unanimous consent to keep the Delegated Authority document in place with minor changes as discussed.

Dr. Chopski shared the statement that would be included in the corrective action letter that states 'you acknowledge that this letter and corrective action plan may be disclosed to the Board in the event the Board staff decides to pursue disciplinary action against xxx or any other license held by xxx. Following discussion, the Board granted unanimous consent to include this statement.

Dr. Chopski presented the proposed agency legislation. The documents have been updated per discussion from the last meeting and are presented for Board approval. Following the discussion, Dr. de Blaquiére motioned to move forward with the language with the discussed minor changes. Mr. Sperry seconded, and the motion carried by roll call vote.

Dr. Ellis motioned to accept the executive director's expenses. Dr. de Blaquiére seconded, and the motion carried by roll call vote.

During public comment Jennifer Adams, PharmD commended Dr. Chopski for her role in working with the Governor's COVID-19 testing taskforce. She was able to secure \$3 million in grant funds to be used for COVID-19 testing in pharmacies. The Idaho Pharmacy Leadership Council and Idaho State University look forward to supporting the testing efforts. They appreciate the work of Dr. Chopski and the Board of pharmacy in supporting pharmacies in their efforts to assist their communities during the pandemic.

The Board took up agenda item K. Following discussion, Mr. Sperry motioned for the stated acknowledgement of the notice and agenda. Dr. Messenger seconded, and the motion carried.

Mr. Sperry motioned to adjourn at 3:56 p.m. Dr. Ellis seconded, and the motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED