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**DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION
RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF PHARMACY**

Minutes of Meeting

Thursday July 15, 2010

OPEN-SESSION

The Open Session Meeting of the Board of Pharmacy was called to order at 8:35 am on the above date in Conference Room 401, Rhode Island Department of Health, PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended Kathy Kettle, Chairperson.

Members Present

Kathy Kettle (Chairperson) Jonathan Mundy (Secretary), Chris Albanese, Michael Cacchiotti, Karen DiStefano, Richard Hathaway, Susan DelMonico, Kelly Orr.

Staff Present

Catherine Cordy, Linda Phillips, Pamela Schultz, Patrick Kelly

Call to Order

Chairperson Kathy Kettle called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

1.0 Minutes

The minutes of the Open Session Meeting held on May 20, 2010 were reviewed. Richard Hathaway moved that the minutes be approved with minor changes recommended. Chris Albanese seconded the motion. The motion carried on unanimous consent.

2.0 Administrative Issues

- Announcements:

Cathy Cordy advised the Board on the following items:

- With Pam Schultz being promoted to Administrative Assistant to the Board, a vacancy is now open for her position in Licensing.

- Communications:

None

- Continuing Education Inquiries:

None

· Issued Registrations (NAPLEX™/TOS/REC Candidates):

None

· Issued Pharmacy Licenses – As Attached

A list of new pharmacy licenses was distributed to the Board for review. On a motion made by Richard Hathaway and seconded by Chris Albanese, the list of licenses was approved by unanimous consent.

3.0 Old Business

· Legislative Update

Cathy informed the Board that the following bills submitted to the General Assembly passed:

H7583 - Utilization of Unused Prescription Drugs Act

H7450A – Sexually Transmitted Disease

· Legislative Update

Helen Drew, Associate Director, reviewed with the Board the status of various legislative bills working their way through the General Assembly.

4.0 PIC Appearances

The following new Pharmacist-in-Charge (PIC) appeared before the Board of Pharmacy to receive advice from Board members and also receive a current copy of Rules and Regulations governing the practice of Pharmacy in Rhode Island.

Joe Marotto, Christine Garafano, David Kaplan, Hilary Williams

5.0 New Business

- Update with Regards to NABP Annual Meeting

Cathy reported on the recent NABP meeting held in Anaheim California. The theme of the meeting was establishing consistency across state lines. Cathy noted the “Model Act” which provides the boards of pharmacy with model language that may be used when developing state laws or board rules. The Model Act includes sections on the boards of pharmacy, licensing (pharmacists, technicians, and facilities), and discipline. NABP would like to work towards having Pharmacist licenses portable across state lines.

A resolution was also passed to approve to organize a task force to review the provisions of the Controlled Substances Act (CSA) and accompanying regulations, identify those provisions which are outdated or detrimental to patient care, and suggest legislative and regulatory changes to amend the CSA and accompanying regulations.

There was also discussion on Accrediting Community pharmacies similar to the Joint Commission accrediting Hospitals and Healthcare organizations; and eliminating the fall conference. In lieu of the fall conference, NABP would invite Boards of Pharmacy to participate in round table conferences.

- Emergency Departments – Dispensing of Prescription Medications

Jon Mundy asked for clarification on whether or not hospital emergency departments could dispense medications to patients under any circumstances.

As noted by Catherine Cordy, Board Administrator, under currently Rhode Island regulation R5-19.1-PHAR-2.1, no person, unless a licensed pharmacist shall retail, compound, or dispense drugs.

6.0 Adjourn to Executive Session

Pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 46-45-5 of the RI General Laws for the purpose of discussing job performance, character, physical or mental health of applicants for licensure and licenses; and investigatory proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct. Said individuals have been notified in advance by writing that they may request that the discussion be held in an open meeting.

On a motion made by Richard Hathaway and seconded by Susan DelMonico, Mr. Hathaway moved to closed the Open Meeting and adjourn to Closed Session in accordance with Sections 42-46-5(a)(1) and (4). The motion passed by unanimous consent.

The Open Meeting session adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

6.0 Return to Open Session

Richard Hathaway made a motion to open the Open Session. The motion was seconded by Susan DelMonico. The motion carried on unanimous consent. The Board returned to Open Session at 12:20 p.m.

7.0 Final Actions

File # 10-014(a) Joshua Kane Diversion of Controlled

Substance Revocation of License

**File # 10-015(a) Polayma Vinas Diversion of Controlled
Substance Revocation of License**

**File # 09-006(d) Sruei Oelbaum Request for Relief from
Probation Granted**

**File # 10-013(a) Mary Louise Daniels Diversion of Controlled
Substance Revocation of License**

Edward Sullivan Surrender of License (18 months)

Crystal Coolidge Letter of Reprimand

8.0 Adjourn

Being no other business before the Board, Richard Hathaway made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Susan DeIMonico seconded the motion. The motion carried on unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan M. Mundy

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Secretary Board of Pharmacy