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

Minutes of Meeting

Thursday November 18, 2010

OPEN-SESSION

The Open Session Meeting of the Board of Pharmacy was called to order at 8:30 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 Jonathan Mundy, Chairperson.

Members Present

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

Staff Present

Catherine Cordy, Patrick Kelly, Linda Phillips, Linda Esposito

Call to Order

Chairperson Jonathan Mundy called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

1.0 Minutes

The minutes of the Open Session Meeting held on October 21, 2010 were reviewed. Susan Delmonico moved that the minutes be approved. Kathy Kettle seconded the motion. The motion carried on unanimous consent.

2.0 Administrative Issues

- Announcements:

New licensing person, Linda Esposito, has been hired and was present and introduced to the Board.

- 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 :

Pilot PONI Program: Pilot PONI Program has been approved to move forward. A committee will be set up of different practitioners to develop the design of the program, education and training. Susan Delmonico, Kelly Orr and Michael Cacchiati volunteered to serve on the committee.

4.0 New Business

K2-Salvia Divinorum: Patrick Kelly reported there is a hallucinogenic product called K2 Salvia Divinorum often sold as incense that is being used as a substitute for marijuana. It is sold OTC and although some states have moved to ban or regulate it, there are no regulations in Rhode Island pertaining to this product as of yet. Its use or abuse in Rhode Island has not become an issue as of yet, however Patrick felt we should be aware of its potential misuse

spreading to our state. At some point emergency room reports and/or police reports can be reviewed to determine if we need to go forward with regulations regarding K2 Salvia.

District I & II Meeting: District I & II was held in Cooperstown, NY on 10/29-10/31/10. A topic of discussion was Impairment programs. A DEA representative attended to discuss Federal regulations. Regionalization of Intern Licenses was also discussed.

NASCSA Conference: Patrick Kelly attended the NASCSA Conference last month. Topics of discussion were Law Enforcement and PMP Programs. Patrick mentioned that some states report schedules II through V, and that some states are sharing with each other information collected.

Youngken Clinic: URI Youngken CE Clinic was held recently. Numerous questions following the Law Review, especially pertaining to control substances, seems to indicate that a number of pharmacists are still confused and unclear regarding recent changes regarding the dispensing of control substances. The Board discussed ways of how to better inform pharmacists when laws/regulation changes are made.

Return to Stock Process: Discussion of how medications never picked up by patients can be returned to stock for future dispensing. Currently medication whose lot number and expiration are unknown

cannot be used for dispensing. It was suggested that the Board ask the FDA for guidance.

5.0 PIC Appearances

None

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.

Kelly Orr made a motion to close the Open Meeting and adjourn to Closed Session in accordance with Sections 42-46-5(a) (1) and (4). Richard Hathaway seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

The Open Meeting session adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

6.0 Return to Open Session

Kathleen Kettle made a motion to open the Open Session. The motion was seconded by Richard Hathaway. The motion carried on unanimous consent. The Board returned to Open Session at 11:40 a.m.

7.0 Final Actions:

-File #10-032(b) Howell Smith Druggist (PHA00142)—Reprimand

A motion was made by Richard Hathaway to accept the consent order for Howell Smith Druggist, motion was seconded by Kathleen Kettle and passed unanimously.

8.0 Adjourn

Being no other business before the Board, Richard Hathaway made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:58a.m. Kathleen Kettle seconded the motion. The motion carried on unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris M. Albanese

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Secretary, Board of Pharmacy