

**DIVISION OF CUSTOMER SERVICES
RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF PHARMACY
3 CAPITOL HILL
DOC CONFERENCE ROOM
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND**

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2017

8:36AM

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

**Thomas Bourque Jr., Robert Iacobucci, Leo Lariviere (Chairperson),
Kelly Orr, Lorraine Quirk, Stacey Ranucci, Dennis Riley,**

BOARD MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Maybelle Reyes

STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Peter Ragosta (Chief Administrative Officer), Scott Campbell (Chief

Compliance Officer), Colleen McCarthy, Esq. (Senior Legal Counsel)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Catalina Costa, David Dunn, Joshua Hendrickson, Robert LiCalzi, Katelyn Pina, Jennifer Thiele

1. Establishment of a quorum

A meeting of the Board of Pharmacy was held on September 21, 2017 at the Rhode Island Department of Health, DOC, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. A quorum was established and the Open Session meeting was called to order at 8:36 am a motion to open the meeting was made by Kelly Orr and seconded by Stacey Ranucci motion carried.

2. Presentation of the August 17 ,2017 Open Session Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Stacey Ranucci, and seconded by Kelly Orr to accept the Open Session minutes of August 17, 2017. The Board voted unanimously to approve the Open Session minutes.

3. Executive Director Report: Peter Ragosta, R.Ph.

a) Welcome Paul Capuano

b) Today's meeting will focus on regulation review

c) Legislative update: NABP district meeting in Mystic, Ct. Leo Lariviere and Kelly Orr reported on subjects covered at meeting which included: USP 800

Manufacturer recalls

Licensing of 3PL and 503B

Expanding pharmacy technicians roles and responsibilities

Patient Safety Organizations (PSO)

E-prescribing

Counseling patients on storage and disposal of prescription medications

Transferring electronic prescriptions

The board was informed that the legislative liaison needs to check into whether a statute is needed for certain regulations to be added (i.e telepharmacy, tech-tech-check)

4. Old Business

a) Review and draft changes to RI rules and

regulations pharmacy. A new section titled Remote Technician Practice under Section 15.2.1 Pharmacy Technicians was reviewed edits to the draft were accepted by the board. Another new section titled Technician II verification was accepted with edits made by the board, Leo Lariviere to review and present further streamlining. Paul Capuano, Stacey Ranucci, and Bob Iacobucci will be presenting an updated version of section B of 15.1.11 as subject matter experts in long term care pharmacy.

5. New Business

a) New Licenses- A motion was made by Kelly Orr, seconded by Lorraine Quirk to approve the new licenses. Motion carried

b) New PICS-Jennifer Thiele

c) BOP Calendar- October 19, 2017 meeting 10AM in auditorium.

d) Regulation updates: The next meeting will review new language of 15.1.11 B by Paul, Stacey, and Bob as well as page 55 #5. Secure Delivery Area, page 51 e. Also will review draft language for CLIA, CPA, and automation (Kiosks).

6. Motion to adjourn to closed session

Pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(4) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for investigatory proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct.

Motion was made by Lorraine Quirk and seconded by Stacey Ranucci

to adjourn to Closed Session at 9:51am. The motion carried.

Pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(1) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for the purpose of discussing job performance, character, physical or mental health of applicants for licensure. Said individuals have been notified in advance by writing that they may request that the discussion be held at an open meeting. Also, pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(4) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for investigatory proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct.

6. Motion to return to Open Session

Motion was made at 10:12 AM by Thomas Bourque Jr. and seconded by Stacey Ranucci to re-open the Open Session and to seal the Minutes of the Closed Session pursuant to Sections 42-46-4, 42-46-5 and 42-46-7 of the Rhode Island General Laws. Motion carried.

7. Final Actions on all votes taken in Closed Session

- None**

8. Adjournment

The next Board of Pharmacy meeting will be held October 19, 2017 10:00 AM at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Auditorium, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Lorraine Quirk and seconded by Paul Capuano at 12:35PM AM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

**Scott Campbell, RPh.
Chief Compliance Officer
RI Board of Pharmacy**

**Peter Ragosta, RPh.
Chief Administrative Officer
RI Board of Pharmacy**

**Dennis Riley, RPh.
Secretary
RI Board of Pharmacy**