

**BOARD OF PHARMACY**  
Professional & Vocational Licensing Division  
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs  
State of Hawaii

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

Date: Thursday, October 21, 2021

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Webinar

Members Present: Alanna Isobe, Chairperson  
Julie Takishima-Lacasa, PhD, Public Member, Vice-Chairperson  
Catalina Cross, Public Member  
Sheri Tokumaru, Pharmacist  
Patrick Adams, Pharmacist  
Mark Brown, Pharmacist  
Kent Kikuchi, Pharmacist

Staff Present: James Skizewski, Executive Officer ("EO Skizewski")  
Christopher Leong, Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")  
Kellie Teraoka, Secretary  
Marc Yoshimura, Tech Support Staff

Excused: None

Guests: Allen Bagalso  
Cherylynn Cheng  
Corrie Sanders, Hawaii Pharmacists Association  
Dan Bishop  
Greg Edwards, Hawaii Department of Health  
Kellie Noguchi  
Lee Ann Teshima, Executive Officer  
Stacy Pi  
Tiffany Yajima

Call to Order: The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS").

A short video regarding virtual meetings was played for the attendees and the Chair provided information on internet and phone access for today's virtual meeting.

The Chair then took roll call to establish quorum and called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

All motions requiring a vote were conducted by roll call.

Chair's Report:

**Announcements**

The Chair reported she had no announcements.

**Approval of Minutes of the September 16, 2021 Meeting**

The Chair asked if there were any corrections or discussion of the September 16, 2021 meeting minutes.

There being no corrections/amendments, upon a motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by the Vice-Chair, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as circulated.

The Chair asked if anyone attending wanted to address the Board on this agenda item.

Staff reported that no one raised their hand.

Executive Officer's Report:

**2021 Renewals**

EO Skizewski reported that the pharmacist renewal website will go live on November 8, 2021. He will provide further updates at the next meeting.

The Chair asked if anyone attending wanted to address the Board on this agenda item.

Staff reported that no one raised their hand.

Hawaii Pharmacists Association:

Corrie Sanders from the Hawaii Pharmacists Association ("HPA") was in attendance and was promoted to a panelist.

Ms. Sanders provided a legislative update regarding the two initiatives they were hoping to introduce in the upcoming session. The first initiative is Medicaid provider status within the state. The second initiative is the alignment of current pharmacy practices as outlined in the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness ("PREP"). HPA has a great group of stake holders with representation from the American Society of Health System Pharmacists ("ASHP") and the American Public Health Association ("APHA") who work with smaller states to help push forward these initiatives. However, with the 2022 election coming up, they have decided to hold off on the first initiative until the 2023 legislative session since there will be a significant turnover in elected officials.

HPH is still moving forward with the second initiative. They will be holding an all-inclusive social dinner event to regenerate interest of the previous stake holders. They hope that the social event will bring everyone back together to talk about business.

The Chair stated that the PREP act allows the technicians to administer vaccinations, which is not currently in the Board's rules. She asked if HPA will be addressing that issue.

Ms. Sanders confirmed that they will address the technician's ability to order and administer Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices ("ACIP") approved vaccinations for younger ages. She added that although technicians are not currently certified on a State level, they could consider completing immunization courses which could be enforced by the Board to allow them to administer the vaccinations.

The Chair agreed and stated that the Board and HPA should collaborate to discuss the licensure requirements and regulations for the technicians.

Ms. Sanders asked if PVL has the extra manpower to collect licensing fees and to enforce regulation.

The Chair replied that they are working on a sunrise study to determine if PVL can handle regulating technicians, as this would help to take some of the workload off of the pharmacists.

Mr. Adams suggested looking at what the qualifications and the scope of practice would be for the technicians. He added that they would also need to look at financial aspect and licensing fees. He hopes that the Board will be updated on what HPA plans to deliver to the legislature so that the Board could provide input and support on their initiatives.

The Chair noted that HPA will be invited to their next working group meeting to ensure that all areas are represented.

EO Skizewski stated that they should wait for the sunrise study first to look at the liability as a whole. They can work on the qualifications in the meantime, so they can be prepared when the study is complete.

The Chair added that this is a huge process and will take a lot of work.

The Chair asked if anyone attending wanted to address the Board on this agenda item.

Staff reported that no one raised their hand.

#### Applications:

#### **Ratification Lists**

Upon a motion by the Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Brown, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the ratification list(s) for pharmacists, pharmacies, miscellaneous permits and pharmacy/miscellaneous closures, change of PIC and relocations.

#### **Applications**

##### Miscellaneous Permit

The Chair asked for a motion regarding the following miscellaneous permit application:

i. **MedQuest Pharmacy, Inc.**

Upon a motion by Mr. Kikuchi, seconded by Ms. Cross, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the application.

Chapter 91, HRS  
Adjudicatory Matters:

The Chair called for a motion in regard to the following adjudicatory matters:

Upon a motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by the Vice-Chair, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the following adjudicatory matter:

- a. In the Matter of the Miscellaneous Permit of **Wells Pharmacy Network, LLC, PHA 2021-28-L**, Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order; Exhibit "1";

Upon a motion by the Vice-Chair, seconded by the Ms. Tokumaru, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the following adjudicatory matter:

- b. In the Matter of the Miscellaneous Permit of **Procare Pharmacy, LLC dba CVS Pharmacy #11235, PHA 2021-7-L**, Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order; Exhibit "1" - "2"; (Julie, Shari)

Next Meeting:

There being no further agenda items, the Chair announced the next meeting. All members stated that they are available, except the Vice-Chair and Ms. Tokumaru who stated that they were unable to attend.

November 18, 2021  
9:00 a.m.  
Virtual

Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Taken by:

/s/ Kellie Teraoka  
Kellie Teraoka, Secretary

Reviewed and Approved by:

/s/ James Skizewski  
James Skizewski, Executive Officer

JS:kt  
11/7/21

[ X ] Minutes approved as is.

[ ] Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of \_\_\_\_\_