

**ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY**  
**322 South Main St., Suite 600**  
**Little Rock, AR 72201**

**Tuesday, October 18, 2022**

The Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy met for a regular scheduled Board meeting on October 18, 2022. The meeting was held at the Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy office located at 322 South Main Street, Suite 600, Little Rock, AR, and was held in person and via Zoom.

The meeting was called to order by Lynn Crouse, Pharm.D., President.

**Members present:**

- \* Brian Jolly, Pharm.D.
- \* Lenora Newsome, P.D.
- \* Rebecca Mitchell, Pharm.D.
- \* Debbie Mack, P.D. (Zoom)
- \* Amy Fore, MHSA
- \* Harold Simpson

**Staff present:**

- \* John Kirtley, Pharm.D., Executive Director
- \* Brenda McCrady, P.D, Assistant Director
- \* Lana Whitmore, CFO
- \* Brandon Holland, Pharm.D.
- \* Cindy Fain, P.D.
- \* Jennifer Burgin

**Dr. Rodney Richmond was not present when the meeting started, but he arrived later in the morning.**

The minutes from the June 7-8, 2022, Board Meeting were reviewed.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Mitchell made the motion that the minutes of the June 7-8, 2022, Board Meeting be approved as presented. Dr. Jolly seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

Mrs. Whitmore presented the Board with the financial report for review.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Newsome made the motion to accept the financial report. Dr. Jolly seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

Dr. McCrady presented the Board with Orders for consideration. The first group of Consent Agreements were for the pharmacists that did not meet the requirements from the continuing education audit.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Mitchell made the motion to accept the CE Consent Agreements and fines as a whole group as presented. Dr. Jolly seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

The second group of Orders for consideration presented to the Board included Voluntary Surrenders, Consent Agreements, Preliminary Consent Orders, Probation Consent Orders, and an Agreed Order.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Mitchell made the motion to approve and accept all orders and agreements as presented. Dr. Newsome seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

The Board interviewed candidates for Reciprocity. Each applicant was asked to complete a questionnaire regarding practice history, type of business, and background. The Board interviewed the candidates in five separate groups, spoke to them all regarding Arkansas CE requirements, and made motions for each specific group. The following candidates appeared before the Board via ZOOM:

Cynthia	Marie	Aguilar
Harmony	Marie	Aker
Ahmed	Qays	Aljarrah
Shelby	Sutton	Anderson
Allen	W.	Anthony
Katherine	Susan	Berkenbile
Sarah		Billings
Jay	Lynn	Boyd
Kyle	Patrick	Burks
Kaitlin	Rae	Byrd
Tanner	George	Calvert
Selamawit	Meshesha	Campbell
Garett	R.	Cermele
Lisa	Haneul	Chang
Jin	Hyuok	Choi
Heather	Ann	Condon
Brenda	Kay	Cook
Brian	Dennis	Cox
Laura	McIntyre	Cox
Cambria	Caroline Taylor	Crawford
Melissa	Katherine	Crews
Kevin	Christopher	Crozier
Suganthi		DeBrito
Robert	Vincent	DeClue
Krystal	Tram	Do
Kirk	Aaron	Downing
Jennifer	Lynne	Dunham

Arthur                    Joseph                    Dustman

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Newsome made the motion to approve the above applicants for reciprocity.  
Dr. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

Kristen	Marie	Farquhar
Amber Dawn	Beltran	Flores
Richard	James	Hagan
Atheia	Rashanee	Hardy
Jessica	Lynne	Hay
Brenan	Reeves	Heaps
Emily	Anne	Heims
Rusty	Ryan	Helser
Jennifer	L.	Hembree
Ian	Duncan	Hill
Angela	Northrop	Hise
Lam	Ba	Hoang
Mustafa		Hussaini
Jeffrey	Lester	Hval
Archis	Subhash	Jathar
Ashley	A.	Johnson
Jacob	Eric	Johnson
Kionna	Shante	Johnson
Mark	Thomas	Johnson
Caley	Marie	Jordan
Andrew	Omar	Kalender
Sarah	Emeil	Kamel
Jacob	Myles	Keck
Melissa	Bradford	King
Daniel	Lawrence	Krotin

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Newsome made the motion to approve the above applicants for reciprocity.  
Dr. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

The Board's interview process continued for the following candidates for Reciprocity:

Robert	Leslie	Lamontagne
Linda	Vu	Lang
Anne	Hebert	Layburn
Khoa	Cong	Le
Kayla	Hawkins	Ledford

Houry		Lepedjian
Jessica	Jean	Longo
Towobola	Whitney	Louis
Thuan	Danh	Luu
Kaleb	Lee	Lyda
Leatha	Lorine	Lynch
Anne	Marlette	Martin
Mason	Wilroy	Meyer
Hannah	Elizabeth	Morgan
Rana	Michel	Moussa
Sameh		Nan
Carl	Afuh	Ndangoh
Kim-Nhung	Melissa	Nguyen
Leslie		Nguyen
Ngoc Quynh	Anh	Nguyen
Stephanie	Ann	Nielsen
Justin	Lee	Nierengarten
Regina		Nisimov
Gregory	Lee	Osborn
Gabrielle	Elaine	Pack
Vladimyr	Hans Be'tonus	Pierre
Vincent	Chieu	Quach

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Richmond made the motion to approve the above applicants for reciprocity.  
Dr. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

The Board's interview process continued for the following candidates for Reciprocity:

Michele	Marie	Rahn
Zachary	Lynn	Roberts
Christine		Rohal
Sara	Kamalay	Rumpel
James	Frederick	Rundo
Andrew	Joseph	Russo
James	Dustin	Scoggins
Joshua	J.	Seeto
Sharron	Susan	Seymour
Emily	Jill	Shellenbarger
Gabriella	Madison	Sims
Catherine	Irene	Smith
Maci	Marie	Sprosty

Penny	Ann	Sullivan-Green
Mianmian		Sun
Darcy	Marie	Swanson
Serene	Hazem	Taher
Jacob	Allen	Teague
Keval	Parth	Tejani
Blake	Daniel	Toney
Ngon-Vincent	Cong	Van
Amanda	Nicole	Whitman
Sarah	Lynne	Wolfe
Adam	Lee	Womack
Kendra	Renee	Zornacki

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Newsome made the motion to approve the above applicants for reciprocity.  
Dr. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

The Board discussed the continuing education requirements as well as the benefits of joining the Arkansas Pharmacists Association with each group of reciprocity candidates before dismissing them from the meeting.

Edward Olszewski, Jr., appeared before the Board by request to discuss his application for reciprocity.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Newsome made the motion to approve the reciprocity application for Edward Olszewski, Jr. Dr. Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

Ed Rickert and Tera Teachout appeared before the Board on behalf of Accredo Health Group, Inc., to request a permit to Operate as an Out-of-State Pharmacy in Arkansas.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Mitchell made the motion to approve the application. Dr. Jolly seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

Dr. McCrady presented additional Orders to the Board for approval.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Mitchell made the motion to approve the Orders as presented. Dr. Jolly seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

Josh Winningham appeared before the Board to request approval to update the Stock Medication List and Max Quantity for the Benton County Detention Center where he is the pharmacist in charge.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Newsome made the motion to accept the updated Stock Medication List as presented. Dr. Richmond seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

Kitti Cone, Misti Harvey, and Ashley Crawley appeared before the Board on behalf of CARTI to request CARTI be allowed to fill prescriptions at their Originating Pharmacy Location for patients to pick up at their local CARTI facility through a Memorandum of Understanding with the Board.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Mitchell made the motion to approve the request as presented. Dr. Richmond seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

Alissa Ferrari appeared in front of the Board to with a request for after-hours coverage for Mercy Hospital Berryville transfer from Mercy Fort Smith to Mercy NWA.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Newsome made the motion to approve the request as presented. Dr. Jolly seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous. Ms. Amy Fore recused from the vote.

Dr. Jolly brought up the discussion of after-hours remote services and Board approval. He asked Board members if they would like to allow staff to approve after hours coverage request for facilities that have been previously approved and are adding additional sites.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Mitchell made the motion to allow Board staff to approve additional sites/facilities to a previously approved after-hours remote coverage request. Any new provider of after-hour coverage or a new facility that has not previously been approved will still be required to appear before the Board for approval. Dr. Richmond seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

Representatives from Exela Pharma Sciences, Bridget Archer and Phanesh Koneru, appeared before the Board to request an exception to Arkansas law that requires a permit and a PIC for each permitted 503B facility location licensed with the Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy. Dr. Archer stated that the four facilities on the "campus" are

up to six miles apart and she is the only pharmacist on staff. The request pertains to a Wholesale Distributor of Prescription (Legend) Drugs Permit to operate as a Wholesale Distributor/Outsourcing 503B facility.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Mr. Simpson made the motion to require each Exela facility to obtain a permit. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Mitchell made the motion to allow Bridget Archer to be named as the Arkansas Pharmacist in Charge for each of the four different locations of the Exela Lenoir Campus as presented, and that if they hire a second pharmacist, they should split the duties and memorialize it through a letter to the Board. Dr. Richmond seconded the motion. The vote for the motion passes five to two.

Brenna Neumann appeared to seek Board approval for off-site order entry capabilities from any Collier Drug Store pharmacy on behalf of another Collier Drug Store pharmacy for all Arkansas licensed Collier Drug Stores.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Newsome made the motion to approve the request for off-site order entry as presented. Dr. Jolly seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

Jane Garrison, owner of Pack4U Corporation appeared before the Board to request approval for a Permit to Operate as an Out-of-State Pharmacy in Arkansas to form partnerships with other licensed pharmacies within Arkansas to provide them with patient specific adherence packaging for their patients.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Mitchell made the motion to approve the request as presented. Dr. Newsome seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

Ryan Langsto with Circle of Life, and Jeff Rodgers with Phoenix LTC, appeared before the Board to request their inpatient hospice programs to be allowed to use automatic dispensing units.

**BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Richmond made the motion to approve the request as presented. Dr. Jolly seconded the motion. The motion passes. Dr. Jolly recused from this motion.

The Board adjourned for the day.

**Wednesday, October 19, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by Lynn Crouse, Pharm.D., President.

**Members present:**

- \* Brian Jolly, Pharm.D.
- \* Lenora Newsome, P.D.
- \* Rodney Richmond, Pharm.D.
- \* Debbie Mack, P.D. (Zoom)
- \* Amy Fore, MHSA
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- \* Jennifer Burgin

**Dr. Rebecca Mitchell was not present when the meeting started, but she arrived later in the morning.**

*Support Group Discussion*

A hearing was scheduled in answer to an Order and Notice of Hearing in the matter of **Harris Drug and Gifts, AR12849, and Sheila Renee Logan, PD07709, Case #2022-093**. Dr. Crouse called the hearing to order and turned the proceeding over to the Hearing Officer, Adam Jackson. The Board was represented by Assistant Attorney General Joe West. The respondent was not represented by counsel.

**BOARD ACTION**

Dr. Mitchell made the motion in the matter of **Harris Drug and Gifts, AR12849, and Sheila Renee Logan, PD07709, Case #2022-093**, that Allegations A1 – A10 are true, and Charges C2 and C5 are proven, and we impose a \$2,000 disciplinary fine and her pharmacist license put on probation for two years. In addition, Dr. Logan is to complete 10 hours of continuing education on diversion prevention for controlled substances – which is above and beyond the CE requirement for routine renewal of her license. She is to perform monthly audits of at least 10 drugs, showing accountability of what's been received and dispensed and what is on hand, and specifically that the alprazolam drugs discussed in today's hearing be accounted for. We would also like to see reconciliation of what has been dispensed from her store and what is being reported to the PMP for January 1<sup>st</sup> through October 19<sup>th</sup> of 2022, and a written report to board staff of any procedures adopted to prevent diversion moving forward. Dr. Jolly seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.



A hearing was scheduled in answer to an Order and Notice of Hearing in the matter of **Valeria Yamilete Beltran, PT12247, Case #2022-070**. Dr. Crouse called the hearing to order and turned the proceeding over to the Hearing Officer, Adam Jackson. The Board was represented by Assistant Attorney General Joe West. The respondent was not represented by counsel.

### **BOARD ACTION**

Dr. Newsome made the motion in the matter of **Valeria Yamilete Beltran, PT12247, Case #2022-070**, that Allegations A1 – A7 are true, and Charges C1 – C2 are proven, and the Board moves to revoke her pharmacy technician permit. Dr. Jolly seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

A Public Hearing on rule changes was called to Order at 1:18 p.m.

### **Rule 7 – Drug Products/Prescriptions**

Proposed changes will update language to allow pharmacists in a Class A pharmacy or FDA registered and Arkansas permitted 503b outsourcing facility to compound office use products for veterinarians as allowed under new FDA Guidance.

Paul Jenkins with Arkansas Veterinarian Medical Association spoke in favor of the rule change. Michael Blaire, representing Wedgewood Pharmacy, spoke in favor of the overall rule change but had issues with some of the language.

There was no public comment in opposition of the rule change.

### **BOARD ACTION:**

Dr. Newsome made the motion to accept the changes to Rule 7. Dr. Mack seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

The Public Hearing was closed at 2:04 p.m.

A hearing was scheduled in answer to an Order and Notice of Hearing in the matter of **Chad Anthony Dicks, PD15892, Case #2022-042**. Dr. Crouse called the hearing to order and turned the proceeding over to the Hearing Officer, Adam Jackson. The Board was represented by Assistant Attorney General Joe West. The respondent was represented by Darren O'Quinn.

**BOARD ACTION**

Dr. Jolly made the motion in the matter of **Chad Anthony Dicks, PD15892, Case #2022-042**, that Allegations A1 – A10 are true, and Charge C1 is proven, and the Board moves to revoke his license. Dr. Newsome seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

A hearing was scheduled in answer to an Order and Notice of Hearing in the matter of **Shaniqua Deekay Ricks, PT99635, Case #2022-063**. Dr. Crouse called the hearing to order and turned the proceeding over to the Hearing Officer, Adam Jackson. The Board was represented by Assistant Attorney General Joe West. The respondent was not represented by counsel.

**BOARD ACTION**

Dr. Richmond made the motion in the matter of **Shaniqua Deekay Ricks, PT99635, Case #2022-063**, that Allegations A1 – A8 are true, and Charges C1 – C2 are proven, and despite that, the Board moves to reinstate her pharmacy technician permit. Mr. Simpson seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was five to two in favor of the motion. The motion passes.

A hearing was scheduled in answer to an Order and Notice of Hearing in the matter of **Stephanie Berganza, PT13564, Case #2022-069**. Dr. Crouse called the hearing to order and turned the proceeding over to the Hearing Officer, Adam Jackson. The Board was represented by Assistant Attorney General Joe West. The respondent was not present for the hearing.

**BOARD ACTION**


Dr. Mitchell made the motion in the matter of **Stephanie Berganza, PT13564, Case #2022-069**, that Allegations A1 – A6 are true, and Charges C1 – C2 are proven, and the Board moves to revoke her pharmacy technician permit. Dr. Mack seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.


A hearing was scheduled in answer to an Order and Notice of Hearing in the matter of **Sharonda Rodgers, Pharmacy Technician Applicant, Case #2022-097**. Dr. Crouse called the hearing to order and turned the proceeding over to the Hearing Officer, Adam Jackson. The Board was represented by Assistant Attorney General Joe West. The respondent was not present for the hearing.

**BOARD ACTION**

Dr. Mack made the motion in the matter of **Sharonda Rodgers, Pharmacy Technician Applicant, Case #2022-097**, that Allegations A1 – A8, A13 are true, and Charges C1 – C2 are proven, and the Board moves to deny her pharmacy technician application. Dr. Jolly seconded the motion. The vote for the motion was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned.

  
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Lana Whitmore, CFO

  
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K. Lynn Crouse, Pharm.D., President