



Louisiana Board of Pharmacy

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Minutes

The Executive Committee of the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy convened a regular meeting on **Tuesday, February 20, 2024** at the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy located at 3388 Brentwood Drive in Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809. The meeting was held pursuant to public notice, each member received notice, and public notice was properly posted.

1. Call to Order

Mr. Marty McKay, President, called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m.

2. Quorum Call

Members Present: Ms. Jacqueline L. Hall, Mr. Richard M. Indovina, Jr., Mr. Marty R. McKay, Mr. Don L. Resweber, and Mr. Rhonny K. Valentine.

Members Absent: None

Guests: Mr. Malcolm Broussard, Mr. Jacob Irving, Mr. Peter Prevot, Mr. Randal Johnson, and Mr. Kenny Wilson.

3. Call for Additional Agenda Items & Adoption of Agenda

Mr. McKay asked if there were any additional agenda items to be added; none were requested. Without objection, the members adopted the posted agenda dated February 13, 2024.

4. Consideration of Draft Minutes from Previous meeting: November 14, 2023

Mr. McKay reminded the members they had received the draft minutes from the previous committee meeting held on November 14, 2023. With no objections, he waived the reading of the draft minutes. With no requests for amendments or corrections, and with no objection, Mr. McKay declared the minutes were approved as presented.

5. Opportunity for Public Comment

None offered

6. Board-Approved Pharmacy Technician Training Programs – Request for Approval from Albertsons Companies Pharmacy Technician University.

Dr. Rob Geddes with Albertsons Companies submitted a request to add their technician training program to the list of Board-approved pharmacy technician training programs. The Albertsons program is accredited by ASHP. After reviewing the request, the committee decided unanimously to offer the following recommendation to the Board in the form of a motion:

***Resolved**, to approve the Albertsons Companies Pharmacy Technician Training Program as a Board-Approved Pharmacy Technician Training Program contingent upon maintaining their ASHP accredited status.*

7. Contracts and Agreements – Tyler Technologies for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

The committee decided unanimously to offer the following recommendation to the Board in the form of a motion:

***Resolved**, to approve the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Tyler Technologies to maintain, enhance, and provide hosting services for the Board’s eLicense information system, at the stipulated rate, in an amount not exceed \$150,000 for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.*

8. Consideration of Therapeutic Marijuana “See & Smell Stations”

Board staff received a request from Ilera Holistic Healthcare, one of the state’s marijuana producers, seeking approval to place Therapeutic Marijuana “See & Smell Education Stations” in Therapeutic Marijuana Pharmacies. After a discussion between the Executive Committee and a representative of the company, the matter was referred to the Regulation Revision Committee for possible rule writing.

9. Policy & Procedure Manual

- ***Proposed New PPM.I.A.37 ~ Executive Order No. JML 24-05 (Draft #1)***

The committee decided unanimously to offer a recommendation to the Board to approve the proposed policy.

- ***Review of PPM.I.A.22 ~ Transfer of Prescription Information Between Pharmacies***

The committee decided unanimously to offer a recommendation to the Board to rescind the previously approved policy.

10. Review & Consideration of Exceptions Report

Board Policy permits the President to review and respond to requests for exceptions to laws, rules, and policies in the interim between meetings of the board. Board Policy also permits the Executive Director, with concurrence of the Board President, to issue Special Work Permits and approve dual PIC privileges with notice to the Board at its next meeting. The committee reviewed the current “Exceptions Report”, had no questions or comments, and the report will be presented to the full Board as required in policy.

11. Review of Administrative Operations

Mr. Fontenot provided the members with an update in regards to staff and office operations, no decisions were made.

12. New Agenda Items Added During Meeting – No new agenda items added

13. Adjourn - Having completed the tasks itemized on the posted agenda, with no further business pending before the committee and without objection, Mr. McKay adjourned the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Executive Director Joe Fontenot and then approved as presented during the subsequent meeting on May 7, 2024.