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Board Meeting Minutes of 09/18/2025

Board Members Present: Anna Hoenke, PharmD, Chair
Kris Jonas, PharmD
Justin Messenger, PharmD
Kevin Ellis, PharmD
Rob Geddes, Pharm D
Alisha Henderson, CPhT

Division Staff: Nicki Chopski, PharmD, Executive Officer
Russ Spencer, General Counsel
Mike Celeste, Investigations Supervisor
Kim Aksamit, Licensing Program Manager
Katie Stuart, Administration Bureau Chief
Susan Villanueva, Board Support Specialist

Board Members Absent: John Nielsen, Public Member

Others Present: Eric Nelson, Board Prosecutor

The meeting was called to order at 8:31 AM by Anna Hoenke, PharmD.

Introductions: Dr. Rob Geddes and Alisha Henderson, newly appointed Board members, were introduced.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 06/18/2025 minutes. The motion carried.

DIVISION BUSINESS

Financial Update: Dr. Chopski presented the financial report for the fourth quarter of the fiscal year and invited questions from the Board members. The report outlined a cash balance of \$5,078,559.43 as of June 30, 2025. She also reviewed the strategic plan designed to reduce that balance.

Health Professions Recovery Program (HPRP) Update: Ms. Stuart provided an update on the HPRP program to the board. She noted that participation has been declining. Statistics show that approximately ten (10) to fifteen (15) percent of the population struggles with substance abuse; however, there are currently only six participants enrolled. To address the low participation, she has conducted fourteen (14) presentations and engaged in outreach efforts at several local and regional locations. She emphasized that building connections is essential to promoting scholarships that help offset program costs. Ms. Stuart also mentioned that participation difficulties are influenced by cost barriers and the stigma associated with participating in the program.

BOARD BUSINESS

Controlled Substances Act Proposed Amendments: The Board reviewed the updated uniform-controlled substance list. After discussion, the Board independently determined that the substances under review be scheduled as presented in the draft language. A motion was made to this effect and seconded. The motion carried.

Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) Grant Update: On July 1, 2024, the Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses received three hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) from the opioid settlement fund. These funds would reimburse up to three hundred ninety-four (394) licensees for obtaining their Practitioner Controlled Substances Registration from the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). As the grant expired on June 30, 2025, unused monies would revert to the state-directed opioid settlement fund. Idaho currently has ninety-seven (97) pharmacists who hold a DEA registration, 33 of whom took advantage of the grant. The first follow-up survey has been sent out to the grant recipients. The Board directed staff to provide survey results annually.

Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) Checking Update: Dr. Chopski provided the Board with updated statistics from the PDMP. Although the progress towards mandatory checking has plateaued, overall growth continues to advance steadily.

Pharmacy Policy Review: The Board reviewed proposed policy updates for the following policies: Pharmaceutical Care, Reinstatement Petition Intervals, Public Records Requests for Use as Discovery, and Public Orders. Staff addressed the Board's questions for clarification. Following a brief discussion, a motion was made and seconded to approve the policy changes as presented. The motion carried.

Conference Attendance Reports and Request: The Board discussed attendance at upcoming conferences. A motion was made and seconded to support the upcoming travel as presented. The motion carried.

Public Comment: Jen Adams, Idaho State University and L.S. Skaggs College of Pharmacy, updated the Board on the college's accreditation status. She reported that the college has been granted an eight-year accreditation and expressed gratitude to the Board for its ongoing support.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made and seconded to enter Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) to consider records related to a licensee's ability to retain a license, which is exempt from public disclosure. The vote was: Dr. Hoenke, aye; Dr. Messenger, aye; Dr. Geddes, aye; and Dr. Jonas, aye; Dr. Ellis, aye; Ms. Henderson, aye. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to exit the Executive Session. The motion carried.

APPLICATIONS:

A motion was made and seconded to modify the Order for application number 379424, with terms discussed in executive session. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to approve application number 1675779, pending fulfillment of the conditions discussed in executive session. The motion carried.

DISCIPLINE:

A motion was made and seconded to negotiate a Stipulation and Order in case number 1678446, with the terms discussed in executive session, and to allow the Board chair to sign on behalf of the Board. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Board's Prosecutor to file an administrative complaint should any negotiations expire or be rejected. The motion carried.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:26 PM.

The next meeting will be held on 12/11/2025.