#### AGENDA

# NORTH DAKOTA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

### January 11-13, 2023

Club House Hotel & Suites - 4400 15<sup>th</sup> Ave South – Regency 3 Room Fargo ND 58103 (1–701-282-5777)

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## **WEDNESDAY** – JANUARY 11, 2023

**5:00 PM** <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> – Steven Irsfeld, President

Recite: Mission Statement

Review and approval of agenda AGENDA TAB

Review and approval of Minutes of November 17, 2022

MINUTE TAB

Assign members to review all paid invoices and Reconciled Bank Statements

Grant Lifetime Licenses and Sign certificates = 18

Tab 1

Sign Pharmacist and RPhTech Original Licenses

**6:30 PM – Technician Advisory Dinner–** Regency 3 Room - Club House Hotel & Suites 4400 15<sup>th</sup> Ave South – Fargo ND 58103 701-282-5777

Chairperson: Mandy [Amanda] Chase <u>ajchase 75@hotmail.com</u>
President: Adelle Casavant <u>acasavant5@gmail.com</u>
Vice President: Josie Quick <u>josierae@yahoo.com</u>

### **Discussion Items:**

**NAPT Survey of Pharmacy Technicians** 

**Potential Rule Revisions** 

Educational options for prospective Pharmacy Technicians

Workforce and Recruitment of Technicians

Discussion by NAPT Officers of items of interest to NAPT

#### <u>Thursday January 12, 2023</u> <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86125226058">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86125226058</a>

8:30 AM CALL TO ORDER – Steven Irsfeld, President

9:00 AM Relocation Phar775 TAT Mandaree Telepharmacy Tab 2

9:30 AM Relocation Phar200 Heart of America Medical Center Rugby Phar306 Heart of America Clinic

**10:30 AM** 2022 Inspection Recap

**11:30 AM** Lunch Lucky 13s

**Discussion Items**: Update on Board Office relocation

2023 Legislative Session **Tab 4** Administrative Rules for Consideration **Tab 5** 

NABP Technician Resolutions

**Board Member Reports** 

**Executive Director's Report** 

Consider approval of all legal action of the Executive Director

Preparations for May 15-17, 2023 Meeting and Exams [May 16-17]

Tab 6

Approval of Paid Invoices and Reconciled Bank Statements

Year to date Financial Report

Budget comparisons

**BUDGET TAB** 

**Investigating Committee Work** 

### **5:30 PM Profession of Pharmacy Dinner**– Club House Hotel & Suites

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Representatives of: NDSU - NDPhA - NDPSC - NDSHP

<u>Discussion Items</u>: Updates from Representatives in attendance

Workforce challenges for Pharmacy Technicians Other challenges and solutions for the Profession

Retirement of Dean Charles D. Peterson, Pharm.D., FASHP

### Friday January 13, 2023

8:00 AM <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> – Steven Irsfeld, President

Discussion

Vouchers - Adjourn

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President Steven Irsfeld, RPh called the Board Meeting to order at 5:00 PM on Wednesday January 11, 2023 at the Club House Hotel & Suites - 4400 15<sup>th</sup> Ave South – Regency 3 Room in Fargo, ND

<u>Present in the Room</u> were Executive Director Mark J Hardy, PharmD, President Steven Irsfeld, RPh; Technician Member Diane Halvorson, RPhTech; Tanya Schmidt, PharmD; Carolyn Bodell, RPh. Public Member Ron Horner; Shane Wendel, PharmD; Howard C Anderson Jr, R.Ph and Attorney David A. Lindell, JD. Karly Westra, PharmD, doing a residency with Tyler Lannoye was in attendance except for teaching a class at NDSU.

President Irsfeld read the mission statement: *The Board of Pharmacy protects, preserves and promotes the public health and welfare of the citizens of North Dakota by assuring that the highest* 

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quality pharmaceutical care is delivered, and that appropriate use of pharmaceuticals is upheld through education, communication, licensing, legislation, regulation, and enforcement.

It was moved by Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt and seconded by Technician Member Diane Halvorson to approve the Agenda with the addition of the floor plans for Three Affiliated Tribes new facility planned for Mandaree. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -

Aye- Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt -Aye- Technician Member Diane Halvorson -Aye- Public Member Ron Horner -Aye- Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye- Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye- Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld -Aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

It was moved by Technician Member Diane Halvorson and seconded by Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2022 meeting as distributed. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye- Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt -Aye- Technician Member Diane Halvorson -Aye- Public Member Ron Horner -Aye- Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye- Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye- Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld -Aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

President Irsfeld assigned Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye and Pharmacist Shane Wendel to review the paid invoices and bank statements.

It was moved by Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt and seconded by Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell to grant 18 lifetime licenses to the individuals on page 3A. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye- Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt -Aye- Technician Member Diane Halvorson -Aye- Public Member Ron Horner -Aye- Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye- Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye- Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld -Aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

Board members signed certificates to last until the next meeting.

**6:30 PM – Technician Advisory Board Dinner** – The Board Members met for dinner with NAPT Chairperson Mandy [Amanda] Chase – President Adelle Casavant and Vice President Josie Quick. Joan Anderson, a grandfathered technician was also present.

Mandy reported on the recent survey sent out by NDSU for the Northland Association of Pharmacy Technicians. Part one of the survey results were published in the December issue of the NoDak Pharmacy Journal. Technician Diane Halvorson reported 294 participated in the survey. In the vaccination questions 74 indicated they were trained and ready while 34 of those are actually doing vaccinations.

Executive Director Hardy asked about the stability of the work force. The technicians responded saying they have many long-term professionals and gave numbers indicating how long they have been on the job. Technician Halvorson stressed there should be no reduction of the standards for entry into the profession as this contributes to the professionalism and desire to continue in the pharmacies. Out of 294 respondents 257 answered the workforce questions.

Discussion followed about educational options for those wishing to enter the profession. The programs and options were discussed with employer sponsored, traditional on campus, online and private industry options.

#### LIFETIME PHARMACISTS

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Pharmacist Schmidt asked about the availability of scholarships. Ms. Casavant responded, saying they have about \$3000 available from their fall conference, but that they get few applications as most students are supported by their employer.

Pharmacist Wendel stated the important items for an employer to consider are time to complete the program and the cost.

There were 242 technicians who responded to the wage survey with most indicating good salaries.

Executive Director Hardy reviewed the suggested changes to the technician rules. These include a limit of 5 years on back fees for reinstatement, a provision that a current PTCB Certification is proof of the CE requirement and a provision that a technician in training could serve as the filler in a Tech-Check-Tech scenario but the final checker would need to be a fully registered technician.

Inspection questions for next cycle might include: Do you do Tech-Check-Tech and if so show me your training record.

Some discussion followed about a less expensive and less cumbersome way to get CE approved for the Technician Fall Conference.

It was suggested that a future survey might try to determine the need for technicians in the state with a rural vs urban separation, as well as hospital needs.

NAPT would like to do a poster presentation at the NABP annual meeting and may need board support to get on the agenda.

President Irsfeld called for any further discussion items, none was forthcoming, the Board meeting recessed at 9 PM.

President Irsfeld called the Board back to order at 8:30 AM on Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Joining the meeting via Zoom link were, Rachel Djurich, PharmD doing a residency with CHI St. Alexius, John Long, RPh., representing CVS and Kyle Libby listening for regulatory updates.

Dr. Hardy reported the move to the new office location was complete with the only real problem being damage to the copier as it was moved from the old office, which resulted in us replacing it with a new one.

Pharmacist Schmidt asked Executive Director Hardy if he perceived we were slower than usual in getting things approved as some seemed to think it took longer to get new licenses or registrations. Mark responded he felt we were mostly as efficient as we typically are and asked for specific cases to be called in if anything seemed slow.

Donna Bieri, PharmD joined the meeting via Zoom to explain the plans for a new facility for the Telepharmacy at Mandaree.

It was moved by Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt and seconded by Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell to approve the pharmacy plans as designed pending the receipt of the new address and final January 11-13, 2023 *Club House Hotel & Suites - 4400 15<sup>th</sup> Ave South–Regency 3 Room* Page 5

construction for the Three Affiliated Tribes Telepharmacy at Mandaree, ND. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye- Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt -Aye- Technician Member Diane Halvorson -Aye- Public Member Ron Horner -Aye- Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye- Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye- Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld -Aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

Erik Christensen, PharmD, CEO of Heart of America Medical Center in Rugby joined via Zoom, along with Jennifer Melgaard, PharmD, Jesse Rue, PharmD, Shantel Fett and Mark Honzay of JLG Architects.

Dr. Christensen explained the plans for their new hospital and medical center to be completed by September 2024. The new inpatient pharmacy will do USP 797 and USP 800 compounding. Several questions were asked by Board Members about the design, air flow, door opening directions and the effect on the positive and negative air pressure requirements. Dr Christensen and the architect said they would take another look at those items before the final construction was begun.

It was moved by Pharmacist Shane Wendel and seconded by Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye to approve the plans as designed for Heart of America Clinic Pharmacy, pending receipt of the new address. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye- Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt -

Aye- Technician Member Diane Halvorson -Aye- Public Member Ron Horner -Aye- Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye- Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye- Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld -Aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

Dr. Hardy discussed the bills he was tracking at the legislature. Our controlled substances changes have passed the Senate Judiciary Committee and seem to have no concerns. He is tracking a bill seeking to make changes in Board operations.

Dr. Hardy reported on the PDMP world with the same issues from the Bureau of Justice pressuring states to use the Rx Check system through grants.

Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell said she recently picked up a new prescription for her granddaughter at a Minnesota Pharmacy and no counseling was offered or done.

Public member Ron Horner mentioned this happened to him recently when he picked up a new prescription.

We will put the PDMP on the March agenda, if time allows, for a full report.

It was moved by Technician Member Diane Halvorson and seconded by Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt to approve all the legal actions of the Executive Director. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye- Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt -Aye- Technician Member Diane Halvorson -Aye- Public Member Ron Horner -Aye- Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye- Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye- Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld -Aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

It was moved by Pharmacist Shane Wendel and seconded by Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye to approve the paid invoices and bank statements, as reviewed. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye- Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt -Aye- Technician Member Diane Halvorson –

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Aye- Public Member Ron Horner -Aye- Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye- Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye- Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld -Aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

Executive Director Hardy reported on the upcoming August meeting of District V. The reservations have been made for Medora and only the details of the program remain. Board members suggested DEA out of Minneapolis or the FDA for presentations and discussion. Continuing Education for programs was discussed as some seem to want that. Executive Director Hardy is looking into options. Transportation from airports to Medora was discussed. Most seem to be pretty good at renting their own car and making things work, much as was done for the western South Dakota meeting last year.

At 10:15 Board Compliance Officers/ Inspectors Gayle Ziegler, Dennis Delabare, Rick Detwiller and Bonnie Thom joined via Zoom.

Pharmacist Gayle Ziegler reported inspections went well, there was some improvement in counseling with technicians asking open ended questions about refills. There are still some stapled bags. There is some new counting software which seems to work well along with some software having direct access to the PDMP reports saving much time and improving access to that information. Several pharmacies asked if there could be a sharps disposal program similar to our drug destruction program.

Suggested for Board discussion was filled prescription pickup when the pharmacist is out for the mail, to lunch, or on weekends.

Pharmacist Rick Detwiller said inspections were positive. Much better post COVID. He saw MTM, Med Sync and other clinical services increasing. New prescription counseling seems to be improving. On refills there is better interaction with technicians. Staffing is still a problem.

Pharmacist Bonnie Thom suggested the diversion question on the inspection be modified to focus on internal diversion as Pharmacists perceive it is asking only about external diversion. Inspections went well, although she saw limited involvement of technicians on refills. Staffing is a problem out west. She began checking disposal boxes for attachment to walls or the floor and found 40% unattached. She mentioned the Three Affiliated Tribe Telepharmacies operations were excellent. She had several conversations about counseling but wrote no warning notices.

Pharmacist Dennis DelaBarre did the Veterinary Retail Facility sites this year. Some have a lot of dollars in inventory and could use some better temperature monitoring. He did 57 hospitals plus five sterile and non-sterile compounding pharmacies. One VAWD visit with NABP where he learned much about how they went about their inspection, reviewing the policies and procedures first and then seeing if they followed them.

Most hospitals have perpetual inventories of controlled substances. Some have video records of their compounding and others use other software for internal controlled substance monitoring. Dennis mentioned to check our rules to be sure the new 797 version is effective in ND when it is published. The Drug Supply Chain Security Act will soon be effective, and pharmacies will need to be on top of that issue. Automated Dispensing Cabinets would be helpful in hospitals when there is a consultant who only visits monthly.

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There were no questions for the Compliance Officers/ Inspectors which have not already been discussed.

Technician Member Diane Halvorson reviewed the resolutions NAPT would like to forward to the NABP meeting. She is looking for other states to sponsor. One resolution would encourage Technicians be added to all Boards and the second would ask NABP to modify the model act to create an industry standard for Pharmacy Technician scope of practice and entry level requirements to support interstate portability. Board Members were supportive of both resolutions.

It was moved by Pharmacist Shane Wendel and seconded by Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt to approve the financials as presented. It was noted no journal entries were made since the last meeting. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye- Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt -Aye-Technician Member Diane Halvorson -Aye- Public Member Ron Horner -Aye- Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye- Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye- Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld -Aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

**5:30 PM** Profession of Pharmacy Dinner–Club House Hotel & Suites-4400 15<sup>th</sup> Ave South–Fargo ND Representatives of: NDSU – NDPhA – NDPSC - NDSHP

The Board was joined by David Bertolini, Interim Provost at NDSU, Charles Peterson, Dean of the College of Health Professionals at NDSU, Michael Kelsch Associate Dean at NDSU and Amy Weyermeyer Chair of Pharmacy Practice at NDSU and a Board Member of NDPhA. Also present were: Pharmacists Steve Boehning representing the ND Pharmacy Service Corporation and Elizabeth Monson representing NDSHP.

Dean Peterson spoke about the reputation of NDSU across the country, the respect for our graduates and the excellent work of the Pharmaceutical Sciences department under Dr. Singh with 40 million in research grants over 5 years. The Pharmacy Practice department has really taken off with some excellent research projects under way.

The need for more trained Pharmacy Technicians was voiced by all. Dr. Weyermeyer has designed a program for NDSU to implement a 12 week program, with 8 weeks of didactic work, mostly online and 4 experiential weeks, two of which would be on campus at the concept pharmacy. Provisions have been made for students to stay in university dorms for the two-week program. Her design has 22 students per cohort with the cycle running two times per year.

Dean Peterson said \$170,000 to \$200,000 is needed to start the program with the Board of Higher Education and the Legislature needs to agree. The Provost was supportive of the program so it is important to get as much support from the profession as possible. Dr. Kelsch asked if many technicians could be expected to pursue Associate Degrees and Technician Halvorson answered, nearly none, as they will want to get to work and the degree does not add much to their resume.

Workforce is an issue for pharmacists as well and all need to support new students to enter the program. Pharmacist Schmidt just worked on the interview committee which saw 48 students vying for 85 slots.

The Retirement of Dean Charles D. Peterson, PharmD, FASHP will be a challenge for the profession.

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Interim Provost Bertolini described the plan of he and President Cook to have an interim dean in place until a permanent provost is hired, then a search will be instituted to find a replacement for Dean Peterson. Pharmacist Anderson articulated many of the accomplishments Dean Peterson has made and the respect he has earned with the profession in North Dakota.

Pharmacist Steve Boehning reported the Pharmacy Service Corporation is working to get an online billing system in place for clinical services, as pharmacy software is not designed for that end of the business.

Dr Elizabeth Monson said NDSHP is working to expand the residency programs and is working with CEImpact for their monthly programs.

The dinner meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

President Irsfeld called the Board to order at 8 AM January 12th, 2023.

The discussion continued relative to NDSU and the Dean's retirement. There was concern about the process and timeline to hire a new Dean of the College.

The Board was encouraged by the desire for NDSU to deliver an educational program for Technicians. All agreed it necessary given the challenges and issues with the NDSCS program offerings. Board Members discussed ways to provide support to NDSU in this endeavor.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 AM.				
President	Technician Member & Senior Member			

Steven P Irsfeld, RPh	Diane M. Halvorson, RPhTech
Member Tyler G Lannoye, PharmD	Member Tanya L Schmidt, PharmD
Member	Public Member
Shane R. Wendel, PharmD  Member	Ron J Horner  Executive Director
Carolyn R Bodell, RPh	Mark J. Hardy, PharmD