

AGENDA
NORTH DAKOTA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY
January 10- 11- 12, 2024
Club House Hotel & Suites - 4400 15th Ave South – Regency 2 Room
Fargo ND 58103 (1-701-282-5777)

Wednesday – January 10, 2024

5:00 PM CALL TO ORDER – Shane Wendel, President
Recite: Mission Statement

Review and approval of agenda New Agenda Template
Review and approval of Minutes of November 16, 2023
Grant Lifetime Licenses = **19**

6:30 PM Technician Advisory Dinner– Representatives from NAPT and NDSCS
Discussion Items:
Rule Changes effective in 2024
Advancement opportunities in Pharmacies
Workforce and Recruitment of Technicians
Discussion by NAPT Officers of items of interest to NAPT

Thursday - January 11, 2024

8:30 AM CALL TO ORDER – Shane Wendel, President

9:00 AM	CE Request – Natalie Koch -Mayo Clinic Tobacco Cessation training	TAB 2
9:30 AM	Crosby Drug Naomi Kateley, Tech2001 Telepharmacy Technician request	TAB 3
9:30 AM	McCall Zenker RPH5233 - Reinstatement Request	TAB 4
10:30 AM	Thrifty White -Class L Permit Application LTC Dispensing Device	

11:30 AM Lunch - Lucky 13s

1:30 PM 2023 Inspection Recap & Discussions

Discussion Items:	Administrative Rules Implemented	
	Outsourcing Facility Licensure	
	Labor Commissioner Study	
	NDPhA Memorial Service	TAB 5

Board Member Reports
Executive Director’s Report
Consider approval of all legal action of the Executive Director

Preparations for May 20-22, 2024 Meeting and Exams [May 21-22]

Year to date Financial Report & Budget comparisons
Investigating Committee Work

5:30 PM **Profession of Pharmacy Dinner**– Regency 2 Room
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Representatives of: NDSU – NDPhA – NDPSC - NDSHP
Discussion Items:

Updates from Representatives in attendance
Workforce challenges in pharmacy
Other challenges and solutions for the Profession

Friday - January 12, 2024

8:00 AM CALL TO ORDER – Shane Wendel, President
Recap of Discussions and any outstanding action items
*Remodel Plans- Sanford Broadway Pharmacy Phar309
Vouchers - Adjourn

President Shane Wendel, PharmD called the Board Meeting to order at 5:05 PM on Wednesday January 10, 2024.

Present in the Room were Executive Director Mark J Hardy, PharmD, Shane Wendel, Pharm D, Steven Irsfeld, RPh. Technician Member Diane Halvorson, RPhTech; Tanya Schmidt, PharmD; Carolyn Bodell, RPh. Public Member Ron Horner; Tyler Lannoye, PharmD; Howard C Anderson Jr RPh and David Lindell, JD

Present on Zoom: None at the start of the meeting.

President Wendel 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 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 Technician Diane Halvorson and seconded by Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt to approve the agenda, as presented. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld– Aye-, Public Member Ron Horner -Aye-, Technician Diane Halvorson -Aye-, Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye-, Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt -Aye-, Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye-, and Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye-. The motion carried.

It was moved by Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld and seconded by Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye to approve the Minutes of the November 16th, 2023 meeting, as printed. It was noted that the Thrifty White Pilot Project mentioned in the minutes was not on this meeting agenda because Thrifty White has pulled back the pilot project. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld– Aye-, Public member Ron Horner -Aye-, Technician Diane Halvorson -Aye-, Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye-, the vote was held open as Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt left the meeting briefly and on her return Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt voted -Aye-, Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye-, and Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye-. The motion carried.

No members were assigned to review paid invoices and bank statements, as Dr. Hardy forgot to bring them to the meeting. They will be reviewed at the March meeting.

It was moved by Technician Diane Halvorson and seconded by Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell to grant lifetime licenses to the 19 pharmacists who have paid for 50 years. (listed on last page) On vote by roll call Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld– Aye-, Public Member Ron Horner -Aye-, Technician Diane Halvorson -Aye-, Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye-, the vote was held open as Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt left the meeting briefly and on her return Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt voted -Aye-, Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye-, and Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye-. The motion carried.

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Technician Diane Halvorson brought the idea for consideration to modify the laws or rules to give technicians who have paid for 50 years lifetime registration. An interim could be considered for those grandfathered technicians.

At 6:30 PM President Wendel welcomed five technicians to the Technician Advisory Dinner. The technicians were Joan Anderson, an inactive technician, Mandy Chase, Brenda Nitschke, and Josie Quick representing the Northland Association of Pharmacy Technicians (NAPT), and Melissa Krava from the North Dakota State College of Science.

Brenda Nitschke, who works at Sanford Hospital, shared with the group her involvement in dispensing medications for clinical trial patients.

Dr. Hardy reviewed the rule changes which took effect January 1, 2024, reducing the requirement to post registration certificates to having them available for consumers at the pharmacy. Changes in the rule to allow trained technicians to administer immunizations and allowing trained technicians to conduct CLIA waved tests.

Dr. Hardy introduced the discussion about advancement opportunities for pharmacy technicians. Diane Halvorson spoke for NAPT describing how they were working to drive the practice at the national level and invited input from the group on their planned survey, and the strategic plan created in October of 2023 as approved by the NAPT Executive Board.

Dr. Hardy asked if pharmacies and their technicians were taking advantage of the new opportunities the rules have allowed. Diane responded that it is a work in progress. Training is important, pharmacists' willingness to adopt the new practice models and technicians' willingness to embrace the new opportunities. Progress is being made.

Melissa Krava of the North Dakota State College of Science (NDSCS) described the changes made to their programs. She has revamped the PATSIM modules to mirror the on-campus courses which allows NDSCS to issue college credit for those courses. This is a great step in the right direction as students can earn credit toward their associate degree through the PATSIM program. This mirrors the vision the board had originally for the PATSIM program. She has also revised the on-campus program to reduce the time for the last semester allowing students to graduate in May. She has also adopted virtual proctoring of exams allowing more flexibility and lowering costs for the students. NDSCS has 52 students now and 9 in the PATSIM program at Central Cass high school.

President Shane Wendel thanked everyone for the contributions tonight and the board recessed at 9 PM.

President Wendel called the board back to order at 8:30 AM on Thursday, January 11th, 2024. There was a review of last evening's meeting with the technician group with special kudos for the changes NDSCS has made in their program.

Dr. Hardy welcomed Carolyn Laird, a research assistant with the ND Department of Labor and Human Rights. She is visiting all the ND regulatory boards as part of a study commissioned by the ND Legislature. The Labor Commission is also scheduled to be with us again at the March meeting.

It was moved by Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt and seconded by Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell to grant 27.5 hours of continuing education credit to Natalie Koch, Pharm D, for her completion of the Mayo Clinic Tobacco Treatment Specialist Certification training she attended September 26-28, 2023. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld– Aye-, Public Member Ron Horner -Aye-, Technician Diane Halvorson -Aye-, Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye-, Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt left the meeting briefly and did not vote, Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye-, and Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye-. The motion carried.

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Kaleb Barstad, Pharm D, the pharmacist in charge at Crosby Drug in Crosby North Dakota joined the board via Zoom to discuss the application for Naomi Kateley, Tech2001 to work alone as a telepharmacy technician. Technician Kateley has been registered since July 31, 2023, has worked at Crosby Drug for over a year prior to that and has done her entire MedCerts Technician in training program at Crosby Drug under Dr. Barstad's supervision. There were letters from Terry Dick, RPh and Tim Joyce, RPh, both of whom have worked with her doing telepharmacy when Paulette Overbo, a long-time technician, was working with her.

It was moved by Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye and seconded by Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt to approve Naomi Kateley, Tech2001, to work alone as a telepharmacy technician. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld–

Aye-, Public Member Ron Horner -Aye-, Technician Diane Halvorson -Aye-, Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye-, Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt -Aye-, Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye-, and Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye-. The motion carried.

Technician Diane Halvorson commented that when these requests come in it would be good to hear from the technician and perhaps the other technicians with whom they work.

9:30 AM: McCall Zenker RPh5233 joined the board via Zoom, to pursue her reinstatement request. Dr. Hardy reviewed the Board's order with Dr. Zenker and asked her to present her case for reinstatement. Mike Riepl, of the PharmAssist Committee, also joined via Zoom. Pharmacist Riepl reported that McCall has been compliant on all the random drug screens requested but does not have a current sponsor as required. Dr. Zenker was asked if she could obtain a sponsor and return at the March meeting. She said she would get a sponsor and return in March.

Brad Phillips, PharmD, a pharmacist with Thrifty White, joined the board via Zoom to discuss their application for a Class L license to place a PYXIS dispensing device in a long-term care facility at TWP#009 2475 32nd Ave S, Suite 1, Grand Forks, ND 58201.

It was moved by Technician Diane Halvorson and seconded by Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye to grant Thrifty White a Class L license to place a dispensing device in the long-term care facility at 2475 32nd Ave S, Suite 1, Grand Forks, ND 58201. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld– Aye-, Public Member Ron Horner -Aye-, Technician Diane Halvorson -Aye-, Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye-, Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt disclosed she is an employee of Thrifty White and voted -Aye-, Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye-, and Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye-. The motion carried.

The Board went to Lucky 13s for lunch returning at 1:30 PM for 2023 inspection recap and discussion.

Rick Detwiller, RPh and Dennis DelaBarre, RPh joined via Zoom and Pharmacist Gayle Ziegler was present in the room. All three inspectors commented on getting many questions about the Drug Supply Chain Security Act (DSCSA) which was originally set to be implemented in November of 2023 but now has been deferred until November 2024. Pharmacists are asking "what do they need to do". Most major wholesalers will provide the information needed but stores transferring products between stores or buying from some of the smaller wholesalers will need to be sure they can track the products

Dennis has spent some time with those hospital pharmacies remodeling or putting in clean rooms, helping to prevent mistakes which would be costly to fix later.

Rick Detwiller said he saw a significant increase over last year in technicians asking open ended questions when talking to patients about their refill prescriptions. Policy and procedure manuals are better but still need some work. Counseling on new prescriptions seems good, but refills can use some work. Rick and Gayle both commented on the difficulty of getting good consultation when an opaque bag is stapled shut. Technician Diane Halvorson suggested we might need to look at the rules to make the best practice to show the patient their meds a requirement.

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Discussion followed on moving up inspection dates to spring. All seemed in favor of this change and Dr. Hardy will look at sending the letters out the middle of March or early April to get things started. Focuses at the time of the inspection cycle include DSCSA, compounding, consultation, and quality assurance programs.

Dr. Hardy reported on the Administrative Rules effective January 1, 2024. He reported that the Administrative Rules Committee of the legislature reviewed them and had no concerns

Board members asked questions about the new law allowing prescriptive authority for naturopathic physician practitioners. The Medical Board has been charged with developing the rules and formulary and these are nearly completed. Dr. Hardy expects them to be effective April 1, 2024. The Board of Medicine will have the formulary on their website for pharmacists to reference.

Dr. Hardy said we might need to look at our standards on outsourcing facility licensure as NABP may discontinue accrediting them and we currently require accreditation.

Dr. Hardy explained the Labor Commissioner Study and asked Carolyn Laird for her comments. She is visiting all the boards to get a sense of what they each do and how their business is conducted and will report to the labor commissioner, when she is done.

Technician Diane Halvorson explained the intent of the Convention Committee to use a memorial table displaying the obituaries at convention this year instead of reading them publicly. Board members seemed to understand the change but felt it important to acknowledge those passing at the banquet. It may be appreciated to direct attendees to pay respect to those at their choosing throughout the convention.

Board member reports:

Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell reported on an NABP meeting she attended. Mental health of workers was a focus of the session. Each employee is encouraged to have a self-help reset button they can envision and use it when things seem too difficult.

NABP recommends that if a Board member feels they should recuse themselves from voting on a certain motion, they should also refrain from the discussion on that topic, as well.

Public Member Ron Horner related a situation when he picked up a prescription when the store did not notify him that they used a generic medication, as the pills were half the size. When he asked for a consultation, the employees seemed put out that he asked about the change. He was not sure if the employee was a technician or a clerk.

Preparation for the May exams commenced. Assignments were made and Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld volunteered to help with the non-sterile compounding portion. Shane will do the errors and omissions. Mark and Tanya will select the cases. Dr. Hardy will revise the scoring forms and Dennis and Gayle may be asked to prepare a new video for the sterile compounding test.

It was moved by Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt and seconded by Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld to approve the financial report and budget comparison as presented. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld– Aye-, Public Member Ron Horner -Aye-, Technician Diane Halvorson -Aye-, Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye-, Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt -Aye-, Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye-, and Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye-. The motion carried.

It was moved by Technician Diane Halvorson and seconded by Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell to approve all legal actions of the Executive Director. On vote by roll call Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld– Aye-, Public Member Ron Horner -Aye-, Technician Diane Halvorson -Aye-, Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye-, Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt -Aye-, Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye-, and Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye-. The motion carried.

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At 3:35 PM the meeting was recessed and two Board members, Dr. Hardy, Attorney Lindell and Chief inspector Howard C. Anderson Jr, RPh met in an adjacent room for Investigative Committee work.

At 5:30 PM President Wendel welcomed everyone to the Profession of Pharmacy Dinner. Present were Dr. Elizabeth Monson representing the ND Society of Health Systems Pharmacists, Pharmacist Steve Boehning representing the ND Pharmacy Service Corporation (NDPSC) and the ND Pharmacists Association, (NDPhA) Dr. Michael Kelsch, Senior Associate Dean of the College of Health and Dr. Ron Werner-Wilson Interim Dean of the College of Health. All Board members were present plus Dr, Hardy, Howard C. Anderson Jr, Attorney David Lindell, and Technician Joan Anderson. Provost David Bertolini planned to be in attendance, but a family emergency kept him away.

Dr. Elizabeth Monson began with her report from the ND Society of Health Systems Pharmacists. She said the Society is doing well. They hold monthly Journal Club meetings which are well attended. Sometimes they can offer continuing education for the sessions, but CE is expensive to offer so this is a barrier. They are looking forward to the annual Pharmacy Convention in April and are asking for award nominations to be sent in by January 25, 2024.

Steve Boehning reported for NDPSC and NDPhA. Mike Schwab, Executive Vice President of the organizations had hoped to be here but could not make it, so Steve presented his report. Many existing initiatives are being pursued to allow pharmacies to expand their scope and impacts on patients. Many challenges exist in the retail pharmacies with many frustrations with PBMs.

Shane Wendel told about the partnership their store in Larimore has with the health department to increase child vaccination rates in Grand Forks County. Our vaccination rates are down statewide. Dr. Hardy contributed that perhaps it is time to eliminate the age restriction on pharmacists administering childhood vaccines.

Dr. Ron Werner-Wilson and Dr. Michael Kelsch reported for the School of Pharmacy as part of the College of Health and Human Sciences.

A strategic enrollment task force has been created with representation from each college unit. Recruitment and retention are the focus with funding of the efforts a continuing concern. The Dean search is in progress with applications due to the committee by tomorrow, January 12, 2024. The search committee is being led by Katherine Birkland, Dean of the College of Business. The committee is assisted by Academic Search, a national search firm.

During Giving Day, the college brought in \$236,000 out of the NDSU total of 2.2 million. Most dollars go to student scholarships. The School of Pharmacy received 58 qualified applications, 41 EAP, 8 traditional, 9 post bac. And an average GPA of 3.76. Current numbers per class are P1 50, P2 56, P3 53, P4 57. We graduated 73 in 2023 with most accepting jobs or residencies before graduation. 32 accepted PGY-1 residencies for a rate of 89% which is above the 82% national average. Pre-pharmacy numbers are at 133.

Ron, Michael, and Amy met with UND Medical School and Health Sciences, to accept information on medical school and PA program students to view pharmacy as an alternative to UND admission.

The pharmacy practice faculty is getting increased grant funding to go along with the very excellent work of the Pharmaceutical Sciences Department in getting grant funding.

The opportunity to add a technician training program to the NDSU offerings has been thoroughly vetted. Currently, there is no path forward, financially, politically, or through the Board of Higher Education. Board

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members commented that the discussions have resulted in several positive changes in the NDSCS Program which show promise for the future.

All participants felt the meeting was great and much information was shared to benefit the public and the profession.

President Wendel recessed the meeting at 8:45 PM.

President Wendel called the Board to order at 8 AM on January 12, 2024. Present in the room were Mark Hardy, Pharm D, Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld, Public Member Ron Horner, Attorney David Lindell, Consultant Howard C. Anderson Jr., RPh, Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell, and Technician Diane Halvorson. Present on Zoom were Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye and Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt.

Dr. Hardy received the plans for the remodeling of Sanford Broadway Pharmacy (Phar309A) in Fargo. They have moved their infusion center to the new hospital location and are now asking for approval of the modifications to the vacated pharmacy space. Dr. Hardy shared his screen and put the schematic of the plans up for everyone to view.

It was moved by Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld and seconded by Public Member Ron Horner to approve the remodeling plans for Sanford Broadway Pharmacy (Phar309A) at 820 4th Street North, Fargo, ND 58102. On

vote by roll call Pharmacist Steve Irsfeld– Aye-, Public Member Ron Horner -Aye-, Technician Diane Halvorson - Aye-, Pharmacist Carolyn Bodell -Aye-, Pharmacist Tanya Schmidt -Aye-, Pharmacist Tyler Lannoye -Aye-, and Pharmacist Shane Wendel -Aye-. The motion carried.

Follow-up discussion of last night’s meeting with the profession included Dr. Hardy sharing information relative to the tuition funding mechanism working its way through the Board of Higher Education. He showed the NDSU weighting matrix used to allocate funding to masters programs and other professional programs at NDSU. Pharmacy was one of the first to index program fees to tuition but has fallen behind in the extra funding needed to run a professional program.

President Wendel called for any further business. There being no further business forthcoming and the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 AM.

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