

A G E N D A

WEDNESDAY – MARCH 19th 2008 - 10:00 AM

ND Board of Pharmacy Office – 1906 E Broadway – Bismarck ND 58501

Wednesday – 10:00 AM – Call to Order – President Laurel Haroldson

A. Review Criteria for Hospital Pharmacies

Review the proposals for three Hospital Telepharmacies:

Catholic Health Initiatives

Thrifty White Pharmacies

Merit Care Health Systems.

B. Other Business

Sign Original Technician Registration Certificates

Prescriptive Practices Committee Appointment

Fort Berthold Pharmacy & Technicians

Consider / re-consider ASHP accreditation.

District V - Program

Wal-Mart Letter

C. Submit Vouchers

D. Adjourn

**Those who cannot attend this meeting Please call 1-800-423-1988 –
Howard Anderson is the host – Conference #1213967**

Wednesday - March 19th, 2008 – 1906 East Broadway Ave – Bismarck, ND

President Laurel Haroldson called the meeting to order at 10:00 Am on Wednesday, March 19th, 2008 in the conference room of the ND State Board of Pharmacy Office, located at 1906 E Broadway Ave in Bismarck, North Dakota.

Present were: Laurel Haroldson, R.Ph. – Gary W. Dewhirst, R.Ph. – Rick L. Detwiller, R.Ph. – Bonnie Thom, R.Ph. and Executive Director Howard C. Anderson, Jr, R.Ph.
Absent: Dewey Schlitenhard, MBA, R.Ph. who indicated he would not be able to make the meeting.

Also present were: George Hill, Director of Pharmacy Catholic Health Initiatives
Tricia Killingsworth, Manager of Pharmacy Catholic Health Initiatives
Jerry Wahl, R.Ph. – St. Joseph's Hospital – Dickinson & NDPHA President
Jon Linnell, Executive Director, North Regional Health Alliance
Amy Noeske, PharmD, Director of Pharmacy, Mercy Hospital - Valley City
Joel Aukes, PharmD, Director of Pharmacy, Triumph Hospital – Fargo
Ann Rathke Telepharmacy Coordinator – NDSU - College of Pharmacy
Present on the Telephone: Michael Schwab, Executive Vice President – NDPHA
Gary Boehler, R.Ph. Executive V. P. of Pharmacy - Thrifty White Drug Stores
David Peterson – Thrifty White Drug Stores

President Haroldson began the meeting immediately by asking George Hill and Tricia Killingsworth to present the overview of the Telepharmacy project proposed by Catholic Health Initiatives. Mr. Hill, with assistance from Ms. Killingsworth, reviewed their project thoroughly and answered questions from guests in the room, on the phone and board members.

President Haroldson asked the Thrifty White Drug Stores to briefly review their project, since the Board had since been sent written materials and all of the Board Members present today had listened to their proposal in the Dean's Office at NDSU during our January 2008 Meeting. Pharmacist Gary Boehler, with the assistance of David Peterson, reviewed their project and the differences in their project and the Catholic Health Initiatives proposal.

President Haroldson then asked for the Merit Care Health Systems proposal. Executive Director Anderson reported that Pharmacy Director Bob Biberdorf had called this morning, indicating that Merit Care was not able to guarantee the human resources that would be necessary to complete the project from the Merit Care end and that he was withdrawing their Application.

Ann Rathke Telepharmacy Coordinator – NDSU - College of Pharmacy explained the grant funding scenario and how much money was available for the Hospital Telepharmacy project during the September 1, 2007 through the August 30th, 2008 Grant Year.

It was moved by Pharmacist Dewhirst and seconded by Pharmacist Thom to recommend to Dean Peterson that the Catholic Health Initiatives project be funded. Discussions ensued and we received assurances from Pharmacist Hill that one Catholic Health Initiatives Hospital and one outside of CHI Hospital would begin the project and hospitals would be added with both CHI and outside of CHI hospitals as the project moves forward. CHI has committed to the quality assurance research program, which will be written into the Grant Contract as well as

economic research on the financial aspects of the project. A coalition group will be established by CHI to make recommendations to CHI as the project progresses. With expressions from CHI that commitment to the project was in place and that the vision of establishing service to the patients of our small hospitals was a shared vision and that the model would be exported to other states in the country once research has established it's success. **All Board Members present voted aye – motion carried.**

At this time, most visitors left the meeting and the Board continued with the Other Business on the agenda. Original Certificates were signed.

It was moved by Pharmacist Dewhirst and seconded by Pharmacist Thom to appoint Rick Detwiller, R.Ph. as the Board Representative on the Prescriptive Practices Committee, which will be assigned under House Bill # 1433 to review the Medication Therapy Management Program of the North Dakota Pharmacists Association. All Board Members present voted aye – motion carried.

Discussion followed about the activities at the Fort Berthold Indian Health Services and their efforts to move into telepharmacy. After discussion, the Board Members felt that we should continue with the current approach in licensing pharmacies and registering pharmacy technicians.

Discussion then turned to consideration of moving towards ASHP accredited programs *only* for registration as a pharmacy technician in North Dakota. Board members all felt that this was something that we should move forward at the NDPhA Convention for input, discussion and potential rule adoption, at our May 2008 Board Meeting.

The District V Meeting program was discussed. Co-chairs Dean Charles Peterson and Howard C Anderson have been progressing well with the agenda, with program topics of interest to all, to be finalized soon.

Executive Director Anderson disseminated a copy of a letter from Wal-Mart stating the advertisements placed in the Bottineau area on the radio and in the telephone directory were inadvertent and would be withdrawn at the earliest convenience.

Executive Director Anderson then presented a letter of resignation from current Board Member Dewey Schlittenhard, R.Ph. indicating that he felt his obligations to his present employment at St Alexius Hospital made it difficult for him to attend Board Meetings and having missed several Board Meetings, including this one, he felt it was in the best interest of the Board, profession and public, as well as himself and his family, that he should resign his position, giving another member of the profession an opportunity to serve. **It was moved by Pharmacist Thom and seconded by Pharmacist Detwiller to accept Board member Schlittenhard's resignation with regrets and with much appreciation for his contributions and service to the Board of Pharmacy over the past seven years. This acceptance is subject to these provisions of NDCC 43-15-04. State board of pharmacy - Term of office - Vacancies. The members of the board must be appointed for terms of five years each, with the terms of office so arranged that one term only expires on the eighth day of May of each year. Each member of the board shall qualify by taking the oath required of civil officers and shall hold office**

until a successor is appointed and qualified. The governor shall fill any vacancy by appointment for the unexpired term. Board Members expressed that they would miss Pharmacist Schlittenhard's contributions and unique perspective on financial matters, hospital accreditation issues and insistence that the Board service the public interest in all cases. All Board Members present voted aye – motion carried.

Expense vouchers were distributed, completed and returned to Executive Director Anderson.

The meeting was adjourned.

President
Laurel A. Haroldson, R.Ph.

Member
Gary W. Dewhirst, R.Ph.

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