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## **Minnesota Board of Pharmacy**

### **SEVEN HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIFTH MEETING**

At approximately 8:00 a.m., January 9, 2001, the Board of Pharmacy met at the Minneapolis Convention Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of administering a Written Practical Examination in prescription compounding, errors and omissions, and patient counseling. All members of the Board, with the exception of Ms. Jean Lemberg, were in attendance. Also in attendance were the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom, and the Board's Pharmacy Surveyors, Mr. Stuart Vandenberg, Mr. Leslie Kotek, Mr. Byron Opstad, Ms. Candice Fleming, and Ms. Michele Boock.

The following candidates, who have met all of the required prerequisites and who have presented properly executed applications, were present to write the examination administered as part of the Full Board Examination process:

**BASMA A. ABD EL-RAHMAN  
MOHAMED A. ABOU-KARAM  
CHRISTINE L. BOTTEMA  
MOHAMED NAGI A. EL-BASUONY  
HAIYAN LI  
MINH V. NGUYEN  
TRANG D. NGUYEN  
SARA J. OLSON**

**KIMBERLY R. PATTERSON  
BRENT E. PENNER  
JOHNNIE D. REGLOS  
MARGARET B. ROSBOLT  
SAMUEL WAGNER  
LONG YANG  
NORA Y. YANG**

The following retake candidates were also present to write the examination:

**KENT W. HERRMEYER  
LISA D. INGE  
CHRISTOPHER M. MCDONOUGH**

**KIERSTEN M. MILLER  
MICHAEL G. NOTKIN  
SLADE A. SIVERSON**

At approximately 8:30 a.m., January 10, 2001, the Board met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza, 2829 University Avenue Southeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. All members of the Board were in attendance. Also in attendance was the Board's newly appointed Board Member, Mr. Tom Dickson, the Board's Legal Counsel, Mr. Robert Holley, and the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom.

After reviewing, amending, and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of December 6, 2000. After identifying a typographical error on page 6 of the Minutes, Mr. Carl Benson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Minutes of the meeting of December 6, 2000, be approved as amended. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the election of officers for the coming year. For the Office of President, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved to nominate Mr. Carl Benson. Ms. Carol Peterson seconded the nomination. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed and Mr. Benson was elected to the Office of President by a unanimous ballot.

For the Office of Vice President, Ms. Carol Peterson moved to nominate Ms. Jean Lemberg. Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded the nomination. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed and Ms. Lemberg was elected to the Office of Vice President by a unanimous ballot.

For the position of Executive Director, Mr. Carl Benson moved that Mr. David Holmstrom be continued as the Executive Director of the Board of Pharmacy. Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded the motion. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed and Mr. Holmstrom was elected to continue as Executive Director by a unanimous ballot.

For the position of Assistant Director for Administrative Affairs, Mr. Carl Benson moved that Ms. Patricia Eggers be continued as the Assistant Director for Administrative Affairs. Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded the nomination. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed and Ms. Eggers was elected to the position of Assistant Director for Administrative Affairs by a unanimous ballot.

At this time, Mr. Don Gibson turned over the presidency of the Board to Mr. Benson. Mr. Benson assumed the position of President, recognized the service to the Board by Mr. Gibson, and welcomed Mr. Tom Dickson to the Board as a replacement for Mr. Gibson, whose term is now at an end.

The next item to come before the Board was the issue of continued membership in the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy. After a brief review of the many benefits derived from membership in NABP, including participation in the nation-wide reciprocity system of license transfer, established through NABP, the availability of the nationally-utilized NAPLEX and Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination, and participation in the National Disciplinary Clearinghouse, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board again renew its membership in NABP. The motion passed.

The Board next discussed its intention to maintain the requirement of graduation from an approved college of pharmacy in order to qualify to take the Board's licensing examination. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board approve and adopt, as its own, the current accreditation standards of the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education, and the current accreditation standards of the Canadian Council for Accreditation of Pharmacy Programs; and that the Board adopt the lists of approved colleges of pharmacy, published by ACPE and, when the curriculum is taught in English, by CCAPP, as the list of colleges from which the Board will accept graduates as candidates for licensure. The colleges, so listed, have proven their compliance with the above-mentioned accreditation standards. The motion passed.

The Board next discussed its intention to accept, as candidates for licensure, foreign pharmacy graduates who have met the required English Proficiency Standards and Equivalency of Education Standards, established in Minnesota Statutes 151.10, Subdivision 2. These candidates have been examined and certified by the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Examination Commission. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board approve and adopt, as its own, those standards for certification established by the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Examination Commission, and accept, as meeting those standards, only

those graduates who have been properly certified by the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Examination Commission. The motion passed.

President Benson now began a discussion of appointments to the Board's standing committees. The following appointments were made for the year 2001:

- A) Continuing Education Advisory Task Force (Stu Vandenberg and Vern Kassekert)
- B) Internship (Chuck Cooper and Don Gibson)
- C) Examination (all pharmacist members)
- D) Rules and Legislation (Carl Benson, Chuck Cooper, Vern Kassekert, Betty Johnson, Jean Lemberg, Carol Peterson, and Tom Dickson)
- E) Committee on Professional Standards (Carl Benson and Carol Peterson, with Jean Lemberg as alternate)
- F) Health Professionals Services Program (Vern Kassekert, with Donald Gibson as alternate)
- G) Counsel of Health Boards (Chuck Cooper and David Holmstrom)

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies it has received since its last meeting. The first application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Children's Hospital and Clinic Pharmacy in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Ms. Ruth Ann Johnson, Pharmacist-in-Charge. After carefully reviewing this application, and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with Pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Cub Pharmacy in Grand Rapids, Minnesota, by Ms. Lynn Robinson, District Manager. After carefully reviewing this application, and the diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with Pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure, and subject also to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy. The motion passed.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Walgreens Pharmacy in Shakopee, Minnesota, by Mr. Harry Argetsinger, Pharmacist-in-Charge. After carefully reviewing this application, and the diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with Pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.



Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a plan for the remodeling of the pharmacy at Lakeview Memorial Hospital in Two Harbors, Minnesota. The remodeling plan calls for increasing the size of the pharmacy from its current 85 square feet, to approximately 142 square feet. No plans for an area dedicated to IV admixture preparations, however, were included in the plan. After duly discussing the proposed remodeling of Lakeview Memorial Hospital Pharmacy, and discussing whether the Board's action to grandfather the exiting pharmacy at Lakeview Memorial, even though it does not meet the Board's 250 square foot requirement, and whether the Board can now impose the 250 square foot requirement with the Board's Attorney Mr. Robert Holley, the Board acted to accept the remodeling proposal, but directed Mr. Holmstrom to express the Board's concern regarding the low level of pharmacy services being provided at Lakeview Memorial Hospital, and the apparent lack of a provision for a sterile hood in the hospital.

The Board next turned its attention to matters of a quasi-judicial nature. The first item of a quasi-judicial nature to come before the Board was the presentation, by Mr. Robert Holley, Legal Counsel for the Board, of a proposed stipulation and order in the matter of the pharmacist license of Mr. Robert E. Williams. The stipulation was developed subsequent to a conference held December 13, 2000 with Mr. Williams, to discuss allegations of unprofessional conduct. The stipulation has been agreed to and signed by Mr. Williams. Mr. Williams, now personally, appeared before the Board to discuss the proposed stipulation and order. After discussing the proposal with Mr. Williams, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the Board accept the stipulation and order as proposed, and that Mr. Holmstrom be directed to sign the stipulation and order on the Board's behalf. The motion passed.

At this time, Mr. Jerry Edwards, representing Snyder Drug Pharmacies, Ms. Annette Henkel, and Mr. Matt Lembke, representing the Minnesota Retail Merchants Association, and Ms. Mary Evans, representing the Minnesota Pharmacists Association, appeared before the Board to discuss a pharmacy practice issue, for which a change in the Board's rule was being recommended. At the conclusion of the presentation, by the above-named individuals, the Board took the position that it endorses the concept of meal breaks for pharmacists and will include the issue in the Board's next rule revision package. The Board also took the position that it endorses the concept of standardized prescription cards, to relieve pharmacists of wasted time spent dealing with insurance issues, so that pharmacists can better deal with patient-oriented issues.

At this time, Ms. Audrey Neely, Mike Simko, and Kelly Beaudin, from the Walgreen's Corporation, appeared before the Board to discuss the operation of Walgreen's Central Fill Pharmacy, and to request an extension of the Board's approval for the continued operation of the facility.

At the conclusion of the discussions with the Walgreen representatives, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the Board authorize the continued operation of Walgreen's Central Fill Pharmacy for an additional one-year period of time. Motion passed.

The Board next discussed information regarding the NABP Annual Meeting scheduled for May 5 - 9, 2001, in Seattle, Washington. After discussing the value of attending NABP meetings and networking with counterparts in other states, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that all Board members and the Board's Executive Director be authorized to attend the NABP Meeting at Board expense. The motion passed.

Mr. Carl Benson then led a discussion of the issue of mandatory tablet splitting being imposed on pharmacists by third-party insurance programs and the Minnesota Department of Human Services. After discussing the dangers to public health in requiring pharmacists to split tablets in order to obtain reimbursement, the Board went on record as opposing mandatory tablet-splitting requirements imposed by third-party payers and took the position that the splitting of manufactured dosage units should be left completely at the professional judgment of the pharmacist, after consultation with the patient and/or prescriber.

The Board next entered into a discussion regarding the tentative dates for the June 2001, Board examination. After discussing the problems with obtaining examination rooms at the Minneapolis Convention Center for the dates originally selected, the Board acted to establish Wednesday, June 13th, as the date for the June Board examination, and Thursday, June 14th, as the date for the Board meeting. The Board's Committee on Professional Standards will meet on Tuesday, June 12th.

The Board next established dates for the Board examination in January of 2002. The Board tentatively identified Tuesday, January 8th, as the date for the Board examination, with Wednesday, January 9th, identified as the date for the Board meeting, in January of 2002. The Board's Committee on Professional Standards would then meet on Monday, January 7, 2002.

The Board next addressed itself to the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity who have taken the Reciprocity/Jurisprudence Exam since the Board's last meeting. After a thorough review of the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that having passed the Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
7736	VIRGINIA LYNN GLEN	KS
7737	CARRIE ANNE NELSON	IA
7738	HAROLD WAYNE CLEVELAND	OK
7739	MELISSA ANNETTE DIRKS	WA
7740	WANDA YVONNE FOLEY	IN
7743	RANDOLPH ALLEN HARROP	WY
7744	MINDI SUE PIRKL	AZ

The Board next turned its attention to the performance of the candidates for licensure by examination, who have now successfully completed all parts of the June 2000 Board Examination. For Full Board Examination candidates, the Board determined that in grading the examination, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical Examination portion at 20% of the total, and the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the following candidates be granted licensure as pharmacists.

NAME	CERTIFICATE #	REGISTRATION #
JENNIFER DAWN IFILL	7745	117156-9
NICOLE K. KRUGER	7742	117153-0
CHANTAL ADAM YAZBECK	7741	117152-7

At this time, Mr. Todd Sorenson, a faculty member at the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy, and two pharmacy students, Ms. Christy Bartels and Ms. Laura Borstad, appeared before the Board to discuss the pilot project, involving a cooperative effort between pharmacy students and nursing students at the University of Minnesota, to provide influenza immunizations to faculty and staff in the Health Sciences Complex of the University of Minnesota, and to residents in Pioneer Hall Dormitory at the University of Minnesota. After receiving the report from the students, the Board congratulated them on their successful demonstration project.

At this time, Mr. John Choi and Mr. K. S. Regan, representing Carter Wallace Laboratories, appeared before the Board to discuss the inclusion of Carisoprodol as a controlled substance under Minnesota law, and some proposed language which would tie the scheduling of Carisoprodol in Minnesota to action taken by DEA to schedule the substance at the federal level. After hearing from Mr. Choi and Mr. Regan, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board support the legislative proposal made by Mr. Choi. The motion passed.

At this time, Mr. Jeff Lindoo, previously a Board of Pharmacy Member, appeared before the Board to discuss prescription-filling processes that have evolved in the long-term care/assisted-living communities. Specifically, the issue involved information provided on medication orders for assisted-living and long-term care facility residents, and the "cycle flows" that have been established by pharmacies specializing in nursing home practice.

After discussing the various issues associated with this type of pharmacy practice, Mr. Lindoo indicated that he will talk to other pharmacists involved in providing pharmacy services to long-term care facilities and assisted-living facilities regarding the concerns raised by the Board, and will report back to the Board.



The Board next reviewed a letter it received from Mr. Freeman Mjolsness. Mr. Mjolsness is a 62-year-old retired pharmacist licensed in North Dakota, who has not practiced since 1996. Mr. Mjolsness is now exploring the possibility of licensure by reciprocity in Minnesota, and is requesting that the Board waive the Practical Examination required of reciprocity candidates who have not been in active pharmacy practice in the two years immediately preceding their reciprocity. After a brief discussion, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded the Board deny Mr. Mjolsness' request, and require him to take and successfully pass the Board's Practical Examination, if he desires to become licensed in Minnesota by reciprocity. The motion passed.

The Board next considered a letter it received from Ms. Helen Peterson. Ms. Peterson is requesting an opportunity to renew her license to practice pharmacy in Minnesota, even though she has not yet completed her continuing education, which was due October 1, 2000. After reviewing Ms. Peterson's letter, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the Board deny Ms. Peterson's request and that Mr. Holmstrom be directed to inform Ms. Peterson that the Board will renew her license to practice in Minnesota when she has completed her continuing education. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the review of variance requests that have been submitted to the Board since its last meeting. The Board first addressed itself to new variance requests receiving their first reading. The first such request was submitted on behalf of District One Hospital Pharmacy in Faribault, Minnesota, by Ms. Teresa Stern, Pharmacist-in-Charge. After reviewing Ms. Stern's request, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for variance requests, and consider the request immediately. The motion passed.

Ms. Stern is requesting a variance that would allow her to oversee both the District One Hospital Pharmacy in Faribault and the District One Community Pharmacy in Faribault, and to utilize pharmacy technicians in the ratio of three technicians to one pharmacist until additional pharmacy staff can be hired. After discussing Ms. Stern's request, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the Board grant the variances requested by Ms. Stern for a three-month period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance was submitted on behalf of Mayo Hospital Pharmacy Services by Mr. Kevin Dillon, Director; Ms. Karen Bergrud, Pharmacist-in-Charge of Rochester Methodist Hospital; and Mr. Rich Streit, Pharmacist-in-Charge of Rochester's St. Marys Hospital. These individuals are requesting a variance, which would allow two registered pharmacy technicians to waste, and witness, excess controlled substances returned to the pharmacy from anesthesiology. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it its second reading at the Board's meeting of March 7, 2001.



The next request for a variance to receive its first reading was submitted on behalf of Moorhead State University Hendrix Health Center Pharmacy, submitted by Ms. Mary Stende, Pharmacist-in-Charge. In addition to an extension of a previously granted variance, relating to the size of the pharmacy, Ms. Stende is requesting a new variance relating to the requirement for having a prescription balance and weights at the pharmacy. In keeping with its previously established policy of requiring two readings of all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it its second reading at the Board's meeting of March 7, 2001.

The next request for a variance to receive its first reading was submitted on behalf of Omnicare - Minnesota Pharmacy, by Ms. Jill Hutchinson, Pharmacist-in-Charge. Ms. Hutchinson is requesting a variance, which would allow Omnicare - Minnesota Pharmacy to accept returns from assisted-living facilities following the same guidelines as they have in place for skilled-nursing facilities. In keeping with the previously established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it its second reading at the Board's meeting of March 7, 2001.

The Board next turned its attention to requests for new variances receiving their second readings. The first such variance request was submitted on behalf of Hennepin County Medical Center One North Pharmacy, by Mr. Gary Matson, Ambulatory Pharmacy Services Manager. When the Board took up this variance request, Mr. Chuck Cooper absented himself from the room, due to potential conflict of interest. After reviewing Mr. Matson's request that a pharmacy technician located at the One North Pharmacy not be counted in the ratio of technicians to pharmacists at One North, due to the fact that the technician is assigned the responsibility for the preparation of prescriptions for Health Assessment Promotion clinic, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Matson be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed, with Mr. Cooper abstaining.

The next request for a new variance receiving its second reading was submitted on behalf of MeritCare EGF Pharmacy in East Grand Forks, Minnesota, by Ms. Lori Bommersbach, Pharmacist-in-Charge. Ms. Bommersbach and Ms. Susan Schnase, Out-Patient Pharmacy Manager of MeritCare Health System, requested a variance that would allow the MeritCare East Grand Forks Pharmacy to store sample medications in the pharmacy on behalf of physicians in affiliated clinics. After, again, discussing this request, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the variance be approved for a one-year period of time.

The final request for a new variance receiving its second reading was submitted on behalf of Rochester Methodist Hospital Pharmacy, by Ms. Karen Bergrud, Pharmacist-in-Charge. Ms. Bergrud is requesting a variance that would allow them to expand their existing tech-check-tech program to include technicians checking technicians who are replenishing the medication stock of the hospital's Pyxis machines. After, again, reviewing Ms. Bergrud's request, and reviewing an evaluation made by Pharmacy Board Surveyors Candice Fleming and Stuart Vandenberg, the Board determined that the bar code scanning replenishment system, used in the hospital, falls within the Board's automated distribution guidelines for fail-safe automated replenishment systems; therefore, an expansion of Rochester Methodist Hospital's tech-check-tech policy was neither needed, nor appropriate. The Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to communicate this position to Ms. Bergrud.

The Board next turned its attention to requests for extensions of the previously granted variances receiving their first reading. The first, and only, such request was submitted on behalf of Target Pharmacy in Edina, Minnesota, by Mr. Jack Berttula, Pharmacist-in-Charge. Mr. Berttula is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance relating to the checking of the original container from which medication is withdrawn during prescription filling conducted by Target pharmacists. In keeping with its policy of two readings for variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it its second reading at the Board's meeting of March 7, 2001. In the meantime, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to contact Mr. Berttula and request additional information regarding dispensing errors made by Target pharmacists using the new certification process during the past year.

Mr. Chuck Cooper had now led a discussion of work being done to assess the vulnerability of the Minneapolis/St. Paul area to bio-terrorism and the role that the Board of Pharmacy may have to play in the event of a terrorist attack.

Ms. Jean Lemberg then led a discussion on dispensing errors and the role that telephone orders play in prescription dispensing problems.

Mr. Holmstrom next described for the Board several areas where rule changes or statutory changes are needed. Mr. Benson then identified Wednesday, January 31st, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., as a scheduled time for the Board's Rules and Legislation Committee to meet to identify rules, which need to be updated.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Mr. Harvey Buchholz, a Minnesota licensed pharmacist, who is inquiring about the procedure he would need to follow to renew his license to practice in Minnesota, which he did on "emeritus" status, during March of 1999. After discussing Mr. Buchholz's situation, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board establish a policy of requiring completion of any back continuing education and the payment of any back fees with late fees, on the part of pharmacists who wish to regain active status, after having placed their license on "emeritus" status. The motion passed.

There being no further business requiring formal action by the Board, at this time, President Benson adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:40 p.m.



PRESIDENT



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

## SEVEN HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SIXTH MEETING

At approximately 8:30 a.m., March 7, 2001, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza, 2829 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. All members of the Board were in attendance. Also in attendance was the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom.

After reviewing, amending and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of January 9, 2001. After making a minor correction to the minutes on page 3, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the minutes be approved as amended. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies, which it has received since its last meeting. The first such application was submitted on behalf of Alliance Clinic, 3329 University Avenue SE, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Ms. Kathleen Wickstrom, Director. Alliance Clinic is a Methadone treatment program and does not yet have a pharmacist-in-charge identified. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy area, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a list of continuing education programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force between the dates of November 14, 2000 and January 16, 2001, and between January 16, 2001 and February 13, 2001. After reviewing the list of programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that those programs recommended for approval be so approved, and that those programs for which denial of approval was recommended be denied. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the performance of candidates for licensure by examination that have completed all parts of the January 2001 Board Examination. For Full Board Examination candidates the Board determined that, in grading the examination, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical Examination at 20% of the total, and the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the following candidates be granted licensure as pharmacists:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Sara Jean Olson	7748	117159-8
Kiersten M. Miller	7749	117160-8
Kimberly R. Patterson	7759	117172-1

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Chris McDonough	7764	117177-6
James Eugene Gannon	7765	117178-9
Christine Lyn Bottema	7767	117180-2
Slade A. Siverson	7769	117161-1
Christopher Maslanka	7770	117182-8
Nora Y. Yang	7772	117165-3

The Board next addressed itself to the performance of candidates for licensure by reciprocity who have taken the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination for Minnesota since the Board's last meeting. After a thorough review of the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that, having passed the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
7746	Teresa Kay Paulson	IA
7747	Joselyn Arciaga Raymundo	WA
7750	Beth Anne MacWhorter	IN
7751	Kevin Jerry Shryack	WY
7752	Michael Ellery Dudzik	ME
7753	Joann Lee Bohse	WI
7754	Michelle Renae Frey	ND
7755	Kristin Marie Hoffman	NE
7756	Cheryl A. Ramsey	IA
7757	Brock Richard Knez	WI
7758	Tammy Marie Richards	ND
7760	Peter Charles Iverslie	AK
7761	Jay Harold Fulce	TX
7762	Richard Francis Forbes	PA
7763	Kenneth Joseph Kossack	PA
7766	Doan Thanh Chau	NE
7768	Lisa Ann Marek	IN

The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a request from Board candidate Basma Abd El-Rahman that the Board regrade the Practical portion of her examination. The Board agreed to regrade the entire Practical Examination of this candidate. After regrading, the candidate's score remained the same.



The Board next turned its attention to the review of variance requests that have been submitted to the Board. The Board first addressed itself to new variance requests that were getting their first reading. The first variance request to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Fairview Mesaba Pharmacy, by Mr. Jeff Shapiro, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Shapiro is requesting a variance that would allow his pharmacy to prepare starter packs of various medications for dispensing by physicians at the Fairview Mesaba Clinic during hours when the pharmacy is not open. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of April 25, 2001.

The next request for a variance to receive its first reading was submitted on behalf of Range Drug, in Crosby, Minnesota, by Mr. John Mateyka, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Mateyka is requesting a variance from the current technician-to-pharmacist ratio. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of April 25, 2001. In the meantime, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to attempt to obtain additional information from Mr. Mateyka regarding the technician use issue.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Rx Express Pharmacy, by Mr. Larry Lindberg, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Lindberg is also requesting a variance that would allow increased use of pharmacy technicians beyond the established ratio. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of April 25, 2001. In the meantime, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to attempt to obtain additional information from Mr. Lindberg and to suggest to Mr. Lindberg that he assist one or more of his technicians in becoming certified, so that his pharmacy would qualify for a three-technician to one-pharmacist ratio.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Target Pharmacies, by Mr. Victor Antilley, Pharmacy Group Leader. Mr. Antilley is requesting a variance that would delay the effective date of a Board rule requiring patient counseling areas that offer an assurance of privacy for three Target pharmacies. Mr. Antilley indicates that the Target pharmacies in Duluth, Shoreview, and Woodbury are all undergoing full remodeling in 2001, and is requesting that the implementation of the "assurance of privacy" standard be delayed until these stores are remodeled. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its established policy of requiring two readings for variance requests and act on this request immediately. That motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Antilley for the Target pharmacies in Duluth, Shoreview, and Woodbury, be approved. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Columbia Park Medical Group Pharmacy, by Mr. Al Brosseau, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Brosseau is requesting a variance that would allow his pharmacy to prepare pre-packaged medications for physician dispensing during hours the pharmacy is not open. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on Mr. Brosseau's request at this time. The motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the variance

requested by Mr. Brosseau be approved for a one-year period of time, on condition that Mr. Brosseau include in his policies and procedures a statement indicating that the pharmacist will attempt to contact each patient receiving medications from the physician in order to answer any questions regarding the use of the medication by the patient. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Fairview Pharmacy Services, by Mr. Bill Schommer, Regional Manager. Mr. Schommer is requesting a variance that would allow Fairview Pharmacies to install a remote dispensing/telepharmacy system at the Fairview Staub Pediatric Clinic once testing of the system is completed. Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Mr. Charles Cooper seconded that the Board suspend its established policy of requiring two readings for each variance request and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Mr. Charles Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Schommer be approved for a one-year period of time and that Mr. Schommer be requested to report back in six months regarding the relative successes and failures of the system. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Hennepin County Medical Center Pharmacy Department, by Mr. Douglas Darling, Pharmacist-in-charge of Ambulatory Pharmacy Services. Mr. Darling is requesting a variance that would allow Hennepin County Medical Center to locate an ATC 212 dispensing machine at the new Hennepin County Jail in order to more efficiently provide medications to individuals being detained at that facility. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its established policy of requiring two readings for variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the variance be approved for a one-year period of time after the implementation date and that Mr. Darling be requested to report back to the Board six months after startup to advise the Board on the relative successes and failures of the system. The motion passed with Mr. Charles Cooper abstaining.

The Board next turned its attention to requests for extensions of previously granted variances that it has received since the last meeting.

The first such request was submitted on behalf of Ott Drug, in Deer River, Minnesota, by Mr. Robert Ott, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Ott is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows Ott Drug to provide a starter medication supply to the Duluth Clinic facility in Remer, Minnesota, for dispensing by physicians at that facility. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its established policy of requiring two readings of all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board approve Mr. Ott's request for an additional one-year period of time on condition that pharmacists at Ott Drug call patients receiving medication from the clinic in Remer in order to conduct outpatient counseling. The motion passed.

The next request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Coborns Pharmacy, in Sauk Centre, Minnesota, by Mr. Dennis Heinen, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Heinen is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows Coborns Pharmacy to establish an emergency medication box for the St. Michael's Hospice

program. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of April 25, 2001.

The next request for an extension of a previously granted variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Omnicare Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Ms. Jill Lowthorp-Hutchinson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Lowthorp-Hutchinson is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance allowing Omnicare to establish emergency kits at the Detox Centers serviced by Omnicare. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of April 25, 2001.

The next request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Syncor Pharmacy, in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Ms. Christie Hawkins-Rath, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Hawkins-Rath is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance, which allows Syncor Pharmacy to dispense certain non-therapeutic (diagnostic) radioactive medications without placing patient names on each container. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of April 25, 2001.

The Board next turned its attention to variance requests receiving their second readings. The first variance request receiving its second reading was submitted on behalf of Rochester Methodist Hospital and St. Marys Hospital Pharmacy, in Rochester, by Mr. Kevin Dillon, Director of Mayo Hospital Pharmacy Services. Mr. Dillon is requesting authorization for Rochester Methodist Hospital Pharmacy and St. Marys Hospital Pharmacy in Rochester to utilize two pharmacy technicians to process and destroy controlled substance waste returned from the anesthesia department. After again considering this request, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the request be granted for a six-month period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance receiving its second reading was submitted on behalf of Omnicare Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, by Ms. Jill Lowthorp-Hutchinson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Lowthorp-Hutchinson is requesting a variance, which would allow Omnicare Pharmacy to provide an emergency stock of medications to the Twin Town Treatment Center in St. Paul. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the variance requested by Ms. Lowthorp-Hutchinson be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance receiving its second reading was also submitted on behalf of Omnicare Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, by Ms. Jill Lowthorp-Hutchinson, Pharmacist-in-charge. In this request, Ms. Lowthorp-Hutchinson is requesting a variance that would allow Omnicare Pharmacy to accept returns from assisted-living facilities following the same guidelines that are in place for skilled-nursing facilities. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that this variance be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.



The Board next turned its attention to extensions of previously granted variances receiving their second reading.

The first such variance request was submitted on behalf of Hendrix Health Center Pharmacy, at Moorhead State University, by Ms. Mary Stende, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Stende is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance relating to the size of the pharmacy and, at the same time, is requesting a new variance relating to the requirement of having a prescription balance and weights in the pharmacy. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that both of these variances be approved on a permanent basis. The motion passed.

The final request for a variance to be considered by the Board was a request for an extension of a previously granted variance submitted on behalf of Target Pharmacy, in Edina, Minnesota, by Ms. Miki Finnin, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Finnin is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance relating to the checking of the original container from which medication is withdrawn during the prescription-filling operation. After reviewing the additional information provided by Ms. Finnin, since the first reading of this variance request, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter he received from Mr. Mohamed Aw-Dahir, who is a Canadian pharmacist seeking licensure in Minnesota. Mr. Aw-Dahir is requesting that the Board recognize his previous work as an intern and a pharmacist in Canada in lieu of the Board's internship requirements. After reviewing the information submitted by Mr. Aw-Dahir, the Board determined that it could not make a decision based on the lack of information available and directed Mr. Holmstrom to contact Mr. Aw-Dahir and request additional information.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board documents from Mr. Chris Filopoulos, who is also a Canadian pharmacist seeking licensure in Minnesota. Mr. Filopoulos is also requesting that the Board recognize his previous experience as a pharmacist intern and a pharmacist in Canada in lieu of the Board's 1500-hour internship requirement. After reviewing the information submitted by Mr. Filopoulos, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board accept Mr. Filopoulos' previous experience in Canada as meeting the entire 1500-hour internship requirement. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board documents from Ms. Beverly Seymour, who is also a Canadian pharmacist seeking licensure in Minnesota. Ms. Seymour is also requesting that the Board recognize her previous experience as a pharmacist intern and a pharmacist in Canada in lieu of the Board's 1500-hour internship requirement. After reviewing the information submitted by Ms. Seymour, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board accept Ms. Seymour's previous experience in Canada as meeting the entire 1500-hour internship requirement. The motion passed.



Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board documents from Mr. Yaw Ntiamoah, who is also a Canadian pharmacist seeking licensure in Minnesota. Mr. Ntiamoah is also requesting that the Board recognize his previous experience as a pharmacist intern and a pharmacist in Canada in lieu of the Board's 1500-hour internship requirement. After reviewing the information submitted by Mr. Ntiamoah, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board accept Mr. Ntiamoah's previous experience in Canada as meeting the entire 1500-hour internship requirement. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Mr. Michael Forbrook, a pharmacist from South Dakota. Mr. Forbrook is seeking to obtain licensure in Minnesota by reciprocity, but will not have been licensed for one full year until June of 2001; and, thus, would not be eligible to reciprocate under the Board's current rules until that time. Mr. Forbrook is requesting the Board's approval to begin the reciprocity process immediately. After considering Mr. Forbrook's request, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board accept Mr. Forbrook's reciprocity application prior to his completion of one full year of licensure as a pharmacist in South Dakota. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next briefed the Board on various pieces of legislation making their way through the Minnesota legislative process.

The Board next established a meeting time for the next meeting of the Rules and Legislation Committee, wherein it will work on developing language for rule sections previously identified as needing updating. The Rules Committee will meet on Wednesday, April 25th, beginning at 1:30 p.m., which is immediately at the conclusion of the April 25th Board meeting. The Board meeting on April 25th will, in turn, begin at 8:00 a.m.

The Board next addressed the need to identify an official delegate and alternate delegate to act on behalf of the Board at the Annual Meeting of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy scheduled for May 5th through 9th. After a brief discussion, Mr. Carl Benson was identified as the Board's official delegate and Ms. Jean Lemberg was identified as the Board's official alternate.

At this time, Mr. John Choi, Mr. K. S. Reagan, and Mr. Larry Gever, representing Carter Wallace Laboratories, appeared before the Board to discuss legislative activity relating to the removal of the drug Carisoprodol from the state's list of controlled substances. The Minnesota Legislature made Carisoprodol a Schedule IV controlled substance in 1997, but appended an extended implementation date to the legislation in anticipation of action being taken at the federal level by DEA to make Carisoprodol a controlled substance at the federal level. Each year, as the effective date of the scheduling of Carisoprodol at the state level approached and no action was evident at the federal level, the implementation date of the state scheduling was pushed back. At a recent legislative hearing regarding this issue, State Senator Randy Kelly indicated his desire to simply remove Carisoprodol from the list of controlled substances at the state level and, if DEA ever does schedule it at the federal level the state can go back and again make it a controlled substance at the state level as well. Messrs. Choi, Reagan, and Gever are now seeking the Board's support of removal of Carisoprodol from the list of state controlled substances. After hearing from the Carter Wallace representatives, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the Board support either the original version of the

proposed legislation for this legislative session or the legislation proposed by Senator Kelly regarding Carisoprodol. The motion passed.

Ms. Jean Lemberg then led a discussion of whether it is desirable to have one of the Board inspectors attend each Board meeting to provide the Board with a different perspective on some of the issues that come before it; in particular, variance requests. After discussing the issue, the Board suggested that Mr. Holmstrom meet with the Board inspectors to develop a process whereby one inspector would be identified to attend each Board meeting to provide staff support and input when requested.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, President Benson adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:15 p.m.

  
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DEBORAH D ALEXANDER #110 3909 HERITAGE HILLS DR BLOOMINGTON MN 55437-2626	115486	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
RODNEY C AMMERMAN 4316 - 150TH ST W SAVAGE MN 55378	112933	[REDACTED]	EXAM
YVONNE MARIE ANGELL 195 BINNEY STREET #4314 CAMBRIDGE MA 02142	116388	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
KRYSTAL C ANKENY 545 PAULSON DRIVE LAS VEGAS NV 89123	115931	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
JAMES ALFRED BAGLEY 2021 21ST AVE S BIRMINGHAM AL 35209	116597	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
LOWELL D BARNUM 306 WEST LAKE DR DETROIT LAKES MN 56501	110365	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
KURTIS J BARRY 2399 WEST ROCKSPRAY RD JAMISON PA 18929	116317	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
JOHN C BARTHOLOMEW 462 GLEN EAGLE COURT DAKOTA DUNES SD 57049	110378	[REDACTED]	EXAM
MARY K BATIK 10524 EAGLESTONE WAY EL PASO TX 79925	112194	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
GLENN A BELEMJIAN 732 MEETING ST FRANKLIN TN 37064-0744	116173	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
ALKARIM BHANJI 8901 107TH ST. SW TACHMA WA 98498	116419	[REDACTED]	EXAM
CHESTER BLINSTRUP 2 JOY LANE SLEEPY HOLLOW IL 60118-1835	110865	[REDACTED]	EXAM



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ROBERT A BREYER 207 GLEN ABBEY KIAWAH ISLAND SC 29455	111132	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
DENNIS J BUCHHOLZ 789 OAK RIDGE DR, BOX 113 LISBON ND 58054	111138	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
JOHN M CASPER 1318 TRAIL RIDGE CIRCLE BROOKINGS SD 57006	110990	[REDACTED]	EXAM
LINDA S CODY #406 7201 YORK AVENUE SOUTH EDINA MN 55435	116406	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
MARIGEL CONSTANTINER ATRIUM ONE APTS #207 25406 BRYDEN ROAD ACHWOOD OH 44122	115406	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
JEANNE MARIE CRANER 30412 ABBY ROAD N.E. NORTH BRANCH MN 55056	116191	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
CHARLES E DANIELS 11576 AVONDALE DRIVE FAIRFAX VA 22030	112658	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
DENICE DAVIS 12626 S LOOMIS AVE CALUMET PARK IL 60643	116003	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
LARRY J DOLE 1301 W ROYAL OAKS DR SHOREVIEW MN 55126-8439	113209	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
SCOTT G DONELENKO 8478 ROSEWOOD CT MAPLE GROVE MN 55369	115803	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
KEVIN J DONLAN 13947 ESSEX TRAIL APPLE VALLEY MN 55124	113900	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***

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MAUREEN D DONOVAN 2748 LAKEVIEW DR NE SOLON IA 52333	113832	[REDACTED]	EXAM
DIANNE L EBERLEIN 2381 COMMONWEALTH AVE ST PAUL MN 55108-1605	113576	[REDACTED]	EXAM
JERE L FETTER 14111 54TH ST. NORTH STILLWATER MN 55082	114328	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
HELEN B FIECHTNER 4329 E 36TH ST SIOUX FALLS SD 57103	113686	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
GARY L FOLSOM 3117 CASA MARINA RD NW ALEXANDRIA MN 56308	110035	[REDACTED]	EXAM
WILLIAM MICHEL FOSSEN 1384 SOUTH SHORE DRIVE DETROIT LAKES MN 56501	110934	[REDACTED]	EXAM
WALDO A GERLITZ 1708 PLUMTREE RD FARGO ND 58102	110416	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
HOWARD GERTZ 5003 SCOTT STREET TORRANCE CA 90503	109740	[REDACTED]	EXAM
BRENDA LYNN GRAY 114 NORTH SYMINGTON AVE CATONSVILLE MD 21228	116240	[REDACTED]	EXAM
BERKELEY W HANSON 4920 WESTBEND RD GOLDEN VALLEY MN 55422	109450	[REDACTED]	EXAM
BERT J HANSON 2802 PARK RIDGE RD BLOOMINGTON IL 61704	113196	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
ROBERT G HARDING 3351 WEST SEXTON SPRINGFIELD MO 65810	110999	[REDACTED]	EXAM

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ARNOLD A HAUGDAHL 12910 308TH ST PRINCETON MN 55371	109550	[REDACTED]	EXAM
TERESA K HEINEN 2473 MILLINGTON COURT AURORA IL 60504	115599	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
CHARLES W HELLER 2030 FAIRMOUNT AVE ST PAUL MN 55105	109164	[REDACTED]	EXAM
HUAN NGOC HOANG 414 LONE EAGLE DR MADISON WI 53713	115684	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
LINDA S JENKINS 5731 HERITAGE AVE MADISON OH 44057	112441	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
AN L JOHNSON 1224 WINNETKA AVE N NEW HOPE MN 55428	109940	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
GERALDINE M JOHNSON 416 SHOREWOOD DR DETROIT LAKES MN 56501	110334	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
SHUH WEI KAN 17920 205TH AVE BIG RAPIDS MI 49723	116180	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
THOMAS VINCENT KENNEDY 217 SOUTH GARDEN STREET LAKE CITY MN 55041	109607	[REDACTED]	EXAM
GERALD E KESSEL 4112 SO NEWPORT WAY DENVER CO 80237	110885	[REDACTED]	EXAM
TARA L KIENITZ P O BOX 3511 GLENWOOD SPRINGS CO 81602	115968	[REDACTED]	EXAM
ELI KOKOTOVICH 4720 W 7TH ST LUTH MN 55807	109329	[REDACTED]	EXAM

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RAYMOND C KRAL R1 BOX 181 A REMER MN 56672	108808	[REDACTED]	EXAM
MICHAEL R KRAUSE 200 3RD AVE WEST COLUMBUS OH 43201	114296	[REDACTED]	EXAM
MASON J KRELITZ 2510 MANITOU ISLAND WHITE BEAR LAKE MN 55110	109104	[REDACTED]	EXAM
MELINDA HODGE KUPEC 1330 WHITE CHAPEL LANE ALGONQUIN IL 60102	116610	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
PHILLIP S LARKE 1505 N BLACK OAKS PLACE PLYMOUTH MN 55447	110336	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
RYLE O LARSEN PO BOX 550 222 N MAIN WATFORD CITY ND 58854	116007	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
DIRK D LARSON 800 SOUTH FORK DR RIVER FALLS WI 54022	114623	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
LOWELL E LARSON 2428 306TH PL SW FEDERAL WAY WA 98023	111482	[REDACTED]	EXAM
MATTHEW C LAVIN 1544 CRESTVIEW VERMILLION SD 57069	116304	[REDACTED]	EXAM
BABATUNDE LAWAL-SOLARIN 1820 LACEY OAK LANE KELLER TX 76248	116611	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
HARVEY J LILLESTOL JR 3207 CASA MARINA ROAD NW ALEXANDRIA MN 56308-9058	109948	[REDACTED]	EXAM
KENNETH E LIND 9 SE ARTHUR STREET MINNEAPOLIS MN 55414	115937	[REDACTED]	EXAM



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BRUCE R LINDGREN 15739 HEYWOOD CT APPLE VALLEY MN 55124	112358	[REDACTED]	EXAM
ELSIE M LOVSTED 19320 GOLFVIEW DRIVE BIG RAPIDS MI 49307	111107	[REDACTED]	EXAM
HARVEY M MACHOV 9436 HILMER DR LA MESA CA 91942	109014	[REDACTED]	EXAM
TERESA A MARS 8151 CLIFFORD CT SCAGGSVILLE MD 20723	115185	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
GERALD R MARTINKA 8320 WINDSOR VALLEY DR NORTH LITTLE ROCK AR 72116	109998	[REDACTED]	EXAM
STEPHEN J MCCANN 2440 BRISTOL CT AURORA IL 60504	114428	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
WAYNE A MELOCHE BOX 125 1115 MISSISSIPPI DR CHAMPLIN MN 55316-0125	110305	[REDACTED]	EXAM
SCOTT ALAN MILLER #824 1530 NW CROSSROAD SAN ANTONIO TX 78251	115250	[REDACTED]	EXAM
DONALD F MUMMAH 5900 ADMIRAL LN MINNEAPOLIS MN 55429	109757	[REDACTED]	EXAM
JOHN H MYHRE BOX 605 BATTLE LAKE MN 56515-0605	110891	[REDACTED]	EXAM
CONNIE L NEAL ROUTE #1 BOX 77 NEW ULM MN 56073	111519	[REDACTED]	EXAM

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KENT F OLSON 1709 GREEN CREST DRIVE VICTORIA MN 55386	110201	[REDACTED]	EXAM
KAREN NICHELL OSAYAMWEN #309 240 GRANDVIEW AVENUE WEST ROSEVILLE MN 55113	116410	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
MARY LISA PAGNUCCO #3 2201 EAST 56TH ANCHORAGE AK 99507	116291	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
DEVANY L PENNE 392 BALLTORE CIRCLE WYNNEWOOD PA 19096	113593	[REDACTED]	EXAM
ARLYN J POMUSH 24672 VISTA CERRITOS CALABASAS CA 91302	110063	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
JOHN BOYD POWELL JR 11377 FERNALD AVENUE DALLAS TX 75218	116496	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
KRISTIN M QUINN 7650 INTERLACHEN RD NISSWA MN 56468	114873	[REDACTED]	EXAM
JACK K RHATIGAN 8185 83RD ST SO COTTAGE GROVE MN 55016-3283	110232	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
MARGARET EMILY ROBINSON 6 LISA CT DOBBS FERRY NY 10522-2512	116399	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***

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ANDREA M ROTH RR 1, BOX 65 HAYTI SD 57241	114871	[REDACTED]	EXAM
BARBARA D SCAVULLO 1645 NW 79TH AVENUE MAIMI FL 33126	114990	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
LINDA C SCHRAMM 266 DEERHILL DRIVE BOGART GA 30622	115812	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
JOHN V SHIMA JR 1623 TYLER ST HASTINGS MN 55033	109290	[REDACTED]	EXAM
JILL L SHIPLEY 261 EASTWOOD CT CHANHASSEN MN 55317	114200	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
JOHN E SORENSEN 112 MAPLE LEAF COURT NW BEMIDJI MN 56601	112080	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
JAMES L STEHLEY 6126 JOHNSON ST MCFARLAND WI 53558	113962	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
ALAN S STEIN 3309 FLAG AVE S MINNEAPOLIS MN 55426	109725	[REDACTED]	EXAM
WILLIAM E STEWART 100 CASCADE LN ROCKFORD MN 55373	110921	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
ALF K STRATTE 328 SUNSET LN CAMBRIDGE MN 55008	109351	[REDACTED]	EXAM
RICHARD J STYBA UNIT 402 3665 EAST 1ST STREET LONG BEACH CA 90803	109962	[REDACTED]	EXAM
NORBERT R SZYMANSKI 4 BOX 68A MARSHALL MN 56258	111385	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***

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ALAN R SZYMIALIS 14716 MELBOURNE COURT WESTFIELD IN 46074	113520	[REDACTED]	EXAM
WARREN D TENHOFF 131 CENTRAL AVE BOX 217 BALATON MN 56115	109530	[REDACTED]	EXAM
LAURIE ANN TENNIS 312 3RD ST SW WATERTOWN SD 57201	116062	[REDACTED]	EXAM
LINDA L THOMS 493 NW 107 TERRACE CORAL SPRINGS FL 33071	111815	[REDACTED]	EXAM
PETER V TORTORICE 1040 S WENONAH AVE OAK PARK IL 60304	114359	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
VIN F TOWLE 34 CAPSTAN COURT ARNOLD MD 21012	110323	[REDACTED]	EXAM
JACQUELINE RENEE TRAUTWEIN 321 8TH STREET NW MINOTE ND 58703	116594	[REDACTED]	EXAM
AMANDA N H TRUONG 23171 RIO LOBOS RD DIAMOND BAR CA 91765	113934	[REDACTED]	EXAM
LAURA MARIE VAN DAALWYK 3066 ISLAN CLUB LANE UNITE E INDIANAPOLIS IN 46214	116478	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
BYRON D WEBB JR 2102 S DEL VALLE WAY YUMA AZ 85364	110148	[REDACTED]	EXAM
DUANE C WESTERMANN 2614 47TH AVE NE WILLMAR MN 56201	111075	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
MARY F YOHANAN 65 MUIRFIELD DRIVE COLORADO SPRINGS CO 80907	114810	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***



# MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

## SEVEN HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SEVENTH MEETING

At approximately 8:30 a.m., April 25, 2001, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza, 2829 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. All members of the Board were in attendance, with the exception of Ms. Carol Peterson and Mr. Tom Dickson. Also in attendance was the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom.

After reviewing and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of March 7, 2001. Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies, which it has received since its last meeting. The first such application was submitted on behalf of Children's Home Care Pharmacy, 2525 Chicago Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Mr. Bruce Thompson, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Cuyuna Lakes Pharmacy, in Crosby, Minnesota, by Mr. Michael Brauch, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Target Pharmacy, in Rochester, Minnesota, by Ms. Ann Lechner, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The fourth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Walgreen's Pharmacy, in Coon Rapids, Minnesota, by Mr. Robert Hammons, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a list of continuing education programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force between the dates of February 13, 2001 and March 13, 2001, and between March 13, 2001 and April 10, 2001. After reviewing the list of programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that those programs recommended for approval be so approved, and that those programs for which denial of approval was recommended be denied. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board two letters from Mr. Earl John Poirier regarding the reinstatement of his license to practice pharmacy. Mr. Poirier did not complete his continuing education that was due October 1, 1996, and his license to practice pharmacy then lapsed on March 1st of 1997. Mr. Poirier has been out of pharmacy since that time. Mr. Poirier is now exploring the possibility of reinstating his license to practice pharmacy, and is petitioning the Board to grant him an exception to the Board's requirement of successful passing of the Board's practical examination and completion of 400 hours of practice experienced under the direction of a Minnesota licensed pharmacist before renewal of his license to practice pharmacy. After discussing Mr. Poirier's request, and observing that pharmacy practice has changed dramatically with many new drugs and new technologies being developed in the past five years, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that Mr. Poirier's request be denied and that he be required to fulfill all of the Board's requirements for reinstatement of a lapsed license. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Pharmacist Sharon Lichter. Ms. Lichter is requesting a variance from the Board that would allow her to register as a pharmacist preceptor, even though she is two months short of the two-year practice requirement for becoming a pharmacist preceptor. Ms. Lichter was licensed to practice pharmacy in July of 1999, and her two-year practice requirement would extend to July of 2001. Ms. Lichter is requesting the opportunity to act as a pharmacist preceptor for an intern beginning in May of 2001. After discussing options available to Ms. Lichter, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board approve Ms. Lichter as a registered preceptor and grant the variance she requested. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the review of variance requests that have been submitted to the Board since its last meeting. The Board first addressed itself to new variance requests receiving their first reading. The first variance request to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Bridges Medical Center Pharmacy, in Ada, Minnesota, by Mr. Gary Rosenau, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Rosenau is seeking a variance to MN Rule 6800.7400, subp. 2, regarding the amount of time a pharmacist must spend at a small hospital location that has a part-time licensed pharmacy. Mr. Rosenau is requesting a variance to the five days per week service requirement, due to the patient volume at the hospital. Currently, if a patient is admitted, the patient medications are put on a patient profile system and faxed to the local pharmacy. The medications that the patient will receive are prepared and dispensed from that site. The only medications that are prepared at the hospital site are IV or perenteral medications. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of June 14, 2001.

The next request for a variance to receive its first reading was submitted on behalf of the Woodbury HealthPartners Pharmacy, in Woodbury, Minnesota, by Mr. Brian Demuth, Pharmacist Operations Administrator for HealthPartners. Mr. Demuth is seeking a variance to the ratio of pharmacy technicians-to-pharmacists at the pharmacy. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of June 14, 2001.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of High Pointe Pharmacy, in Lake Elmo, Minnesota, by Mr. Greg Schad, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Schad is requesting a variance that would allow High Pointe Pharmacy to accept returns of medications dispensed in unit dose packaging to inmates at the Washington County Jail, in Stillwater, Minnesota. The medications sent to the jail are stored in a secured area under supervision of nurses employed by Washington County, and the drug storage area at the jail is inspected monthly by Mr. Schad for outdated drugs, proper storage, and proper refrigerator of those items that require refrigeration. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of June 14, 2001.

The next request for a variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of St. Luke's Hospital Pharmacy, in Duluth, Minnesota, by Mr. Mike Dudzik, Director of Pharmacy. Mr. Dudzik is requesting a variance that would allow the pharmacy at St. Luke's Hospital to expand a tech-check-tech program to include the stocking and checking of automated medication dispensing units at the hospital. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of June 14, 2001. In the meantime, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to try to obtain more information on the type and operation of the automated distribution system used at St. Luke's Hospital.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was actually three identical variances requested on behalf of Fairview Hiawatha Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Fairview Northland Pharmacy, in Princeton, Minnesota, and Fairview Southdale Medical Pharmacy, in Edina, Minnesota. All three variances were submitted by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager for Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting a variance for each of the pharmacies that would allow the pharmacy to store some pharmacy records in a dedicated pharmacy storage cabinet within the larger storage area at the clinic located outside of the current licensed pharmacy area. The space would be used only for record retention for the pharmacy and would be accessible only by limited clinic staff, with keys, which use the area for other storage such as medical records. Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider these three requests immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the variances requested by Ms. Ganske for the three Fairview Clinics be approved for an indefinite period of time. The motion passed.



The next request for a variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Alliance Clinic Pharmacy (a Methadone treatment program pharmacy that is not yet opened), by Ms. Kathleen Wickstrom, Clinic Director. Ms. Wickstrom is requesting variances relating to the security of the licensed area and the equipment requirements for licensed pharmacies. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of June 14, 2001.

The Board next turned its attention to the consideration of requests for extensions of previously granted variances, which are receiving their first reading.

The first such request for an extension was submitted on behalf of Caremark Pharmacy, in Roseville, Minnesota, by Ms. Debra Robison, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Robison is requesting a variance relating to the requirement for maintaining certain mortars, pestles, spatulas, etc., at the pharmacy. Caremark Pharmacy, being an IV homecare pharmacy, does not have a need for this equipment. Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider this request immediately. The motion passed.

Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Robison be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The second request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Children's Hospital, in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Mr. Mark Thomas, Director of Pharmacy. Mr. Thomas is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance to the combined United and Children's Hospital Pharmacy regarding the tech-check-tech program and extended expiration dating for prepackaged pharmaceuticals, which is now supported by the United States Pharmacopoeia. Since Children's Hospital Pharmacy has now separated itself from affiliation with United Hospital Pharmacy, Mr. Thomas is requesting a separate approval for these variances. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on these requests immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the variances requested by Mr. Thomas, on behalf of Children's Hospital Pharmacy, be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The third request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of District One Hospital Pharmacy, in Faribault, Minnesota, by Ms. Teresa Stern, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Stern is requesting extensions of two previously granted variances. The first variance would allow her to continue as temporary pharmacist-in-charge at both the Rice County District One Hospital Pharmacy and at District One Community Pharmacy, while the second request would allow the use of pharmacy technicians in a ratio of three technicians to one pharmacist without any of the three technicians being certified. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.



Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the variances requested by Ms. Stern be approved for a three-month period of time. The motion passed.

The fourth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Eagan Pharmacy, in Eagan, Minnesota, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager of Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows Fairview Eagan Pharmacy to secure and distribute sample medications for the physicians at the Fairview Eagan Clinic. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Ganske be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The fifth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Lakes Pharmacy, in Lino Lakes, Minnesota, by Ms. Brenda Lambrecht, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Lambrecht is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows Fairview Lakes Pharmacy to utilize the automated drug dispensing system technology to serve Fairview urgent care clinics in Bloomington, Highland Park, Eagan, and Eden Prairie with medication. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Lambrecht be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The sixth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Northland Pharmacy, in Elk River, Minnesota, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager of Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows the pharmacy to provide a secure supply of prepackaged medications in the urgent care clinic. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Ganske, on behalf of Fairview Northland Pharmacy – Elk River, be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The seventh request for extensions of previously granted variances involved two variances previously granted to Fairview Northland Pharmacy, in Princeton, Minnesota. The request for extension of these variances was submitted by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager of Fairview Pharmacy Services. The first variance allows Fairview Northland Pharmacy to provide a secure supply of prepackaged medications for the urgent care clinic affiliated with Fairview. The second variance allows the pharmacy to secure and distribute sample medications for physicians of the Fairview Northland Clinics, which are located within the Fairview Northland complex, in Princeton. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on these requests immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extensions to the previously granted variances requested by Ms. Ganske, be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The eighth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Northland Pharmacy, in Zimmerman, Minnesota, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager of Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting an extension of the previously granted variance that allows this pharmacy to secure and distribute sample medications for the physicians at Fairview Zimmerman Clinic. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension to the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Ganske, be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The ninth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Goodrich Pharmacy, in Anoka, Minnesota, by Mr. Steven Simenson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Simenson is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows the pharmacy to accept returns of unit dose packaged medications from the Anoka County Correctional Facility. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on these requests immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension to the previously granted variances requested by Mr. Simenson, be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The tenth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of HealthPartners Pharmacy, in St. Cloud, Minnesota, by Mr. Dean Frolek, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Frolek is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allowed the pharmacy to secure and distribute sample medications for the physicians at the HealthPartners Central Minnesota Clinic. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Mr. Frolek, on behalf of HealthPartners Pharmacy, be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The eleventh request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of LTC Prescription Providers, Inc., in Proctor, Minnesota, by Mr. Douglas White, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. White is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows the pharmacy to accept the return of unit dose packaged medications from the Wesley Residence, in Duluth, which is an assisted-living facility. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Mr. White, on behalf of LTC Prescription Providers, Inc., be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The twelfth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Setzer Pharmacy, in Roseville, Minnesota, by Mr. Peter Haas, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Haas is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows Ms. Terese Wymia, an LPN, who is employed as a pharmacy technician at the pharmacy to take verbal prescription orders from physician offices. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading on June 14, 2001. In the meantime, Mr. Holmstrom was directed to invite Mr. Haas to attend the June Board meeting to discuss this request.

The thirteenth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Target Pharmacy, in Brooklyn Center, Minnesota, by Ms. Ann Kantola, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Kantola is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance allowing Target Pharmacy to record prescription transfers electronically and print a monthly log of all outgoing transfers that would be kept on file for two years. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Kantola, on behalf of Target Pharmacy, be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

At this time, Mr. Mike Reinke and Mr. Dave Miller, from Fairview Pharmacy Services, appeared before the Board to discuss Fairview's proposal to move the Fairview University Westgate Specialty Pharmacy from its existing location to a new location in Minneapolis and, upon moving this pharmacy to its new site, installing an OptiFill II system on-site to automate the prescription filling process. As part of this procedure, a variance is necessary for the operation of the new automated system. The variance would be to allow the pharmacy to fill these prescriptions without having the original manufacturer's container follow along to the final pharmacist check. The OptiFill II system accomplishes this for the pharmacy by comparing a digital photo taken of the medication in each vial filled by the machine and comparing it to a database photo of the same medication selected via NDC number controls. In keeping with its



policy of requiring two readings for variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of June 14, 2001.

The Board next began a general discussion of the need for requiring two readings of requests for extensions of previously granted variances. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved that the Board discontinue its policy of requiring two readings on requests for previously granted variances, but retain its policy of two readings for all new variance requests. Ms. Betty Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to new variances that are receiving their second readings. The first such request was submitted on behalf of Fairview Mesaba Pharmacy, by Mr. Jeff Shapiro, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Shapiro is requesting a variance that would allow the pharmacy to prepare starter packs of various medications to be dispensed by physicians at the Fairview Mesaba Clinic during hours when the pharmacy is not open. Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Shapiro be granted for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance receiving its second reading was submitted on behalf of Range Drug, in Crosby, Minnesota, by Mr. John Mateyka, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Mateyka is requesting a variance from the current technician-to-pharmacist ratio. After discussing Mr. Mateyka's request, and the options available to him, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that Board deny Mr. Mateyka's request for a three-to-one technician ratio. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance receiving its second reading was submitted on behalf of Rx Express Pharmacy, by Mr. Larry Lindberg, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Lindberg is also requesting a variance from the current technician-to-pharmacist ratio. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board deny Mr. Lindberg's request. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to requests for extensions of previously granted variances receiving their second reading.

The first such request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Coborns Pharmacy, in Sauk Centre, Minnesota, by Mr. Dennis Heinen, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Heinen is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows him to establish an emergency medication box for St. Michael's Hospice. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board extend the previously granted variance for an additional one-year period of time, and that Mr. Heinen be requested to report back on the usage of medications from that emergency box during the one-year extension. The motion passed.



The next request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Omnicare Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Ms. Jill Lowthorp-Hutchinson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Lowthorp-Hutchinson is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allowed Omnicare to provide emergency kits at several Detox Centers that they service. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the previously granted variance be granted for an additional one-year period of time, but that Ms. Lowthorp-Hutchinson be requested to report back on usage of medications form these emergency kits during this one-year time period. The motion passed.

The next request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Regions Hospital Pharmacy, in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Mr. Ken Nelson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Nelson is requesting an extension of the tech-check-tech program that had been implemented at Regions Hospital. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the previously granted variance be granted for an additional one-year period of time, but that Board inspectors recheck Regions Hospital for compliance within the next six months. The motion passed.

The final request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Syncor Pharmacy, in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Ms. Christie Hawkins-Rath, Pharmacist-in-charge. This previously granted variance allowed Syncor Pharmacy to dispense certain non-therapeutic (diagnostic) radioactive medications without identifying the containers as to specific patients. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

At this time, Mr. Todd Sorensen and Ms. Kristin Janke, from the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy, appeared before the Board to discuss an immunization certificate program that is being developed for pharmacists by the College of Pharmacy. The immunization certificate program is designed to train pharmacists to safely and effectively administer vaccines to patients at their pharmacies. After a lengthy discussion about the legal issues surrounding pharmacist involvement in immunization programs, the Board determined that it will take this matter under consideration, and that Mr. Holmstrom should invite Mr. Sorensen to discuss the matter further with the Board at the Board's June 14, 2001, meeting.

The Board next turned its attention to the performance of the candidates for licensure by examination that have now successfully completed all parts of the January 2001 Board examination. For full board examination candidates, the Board determined that, in grading the examination, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical examination portion at 20% of the total, and the Multi-State Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the following candidates be granted licensure as pharmacists.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Kent W. Herrmeyer	7773	117184-4
Haiyan Li	7782	117190-9

The Board next addressed itself to the performance of candidates for licensure by reciprocity that have taken the Reciprocity/Jurisprudence Examination since the Board's last meeting. After a thorough review of the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that, having passed the Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
7771	George P. Dzurino	MD
7777	Monica Darice Clark	ND
7778	Scarlett Theresa Nero	LA
7779	Troy Daniel Thompson	IA
7781	Pamela K. Wolf	ND
7783	Shari Ann Roche'	OH
7784	Michael T. Moritz	IL
7785	Lowell Garry Parlier	TN
7786	Lokendra Prasad Upadhyay	CO

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a list of pharmacists who have not renewed their licenses to practice for the years 1999, 2000, and 2001, and who are eligible to be dropped from the roles of licensed pharmacists in Minnesota. After reviewing the list of pharmacists, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the pharmacists whose names appear on the list attached to these minutes be dropped as licensed pharmacists in Minnesota. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next described for the Board the activities of a Disaster Task Force brought together by the Minnesota Pharmacists Association to develop policies and procedures for implementation by Minnesota pharmacists during times of natural or man-made disasters. The Disaster Task Force is requesting a statement of support for its work by the Board of Pharmacy. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to prepare a draft statement of support and provide it to the Board members for ratification.

The Board next turned its attention to the establishment of examination dates for the January 2002 and June 2002 Board exams. The Board established the date for the January exam as January 8, 2002, with the Board meeting held January 9, 2002, and for the June exam, established the date of June 4, 2002, for the examination, with the Board meeting held June 5, 2002.

Mr. Holmstrom next led a brief discussion regarding legislation proposed by State Senator Deanna Weiner regarding pharmacist dispensing of emergency contraception drugs, and on hospitals providing information and emergency contraception in cases of sexual assault. The Board developed a position of support for the bill involving pharmacist dispensing of emergency contraceptives and a position of neutrality on the bill involving hospital services regarding emergency contraception.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, President Benson adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:25 p.m.

Carl O. Benson  
PRESIDENT

David H. Johnson  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

## SEVEN HUNDRED AND THIRTY-EIGHTH MEETING

At approximately 8:00 a.m., June 13, 2001, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met at the Minneapolis Convention Center, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of administering a written practical examination in prescription compounding, errors and omissions, and patient counseling to candidates for licensure by examination. All members of the Board were in attendance, with the exception of Mr. Charles Cooper and Ms. Jean Lemberg. Also in attendance were the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom, and all members of the Board's staff.

The following candidates, who have met all of the required prerequisites and who have presented properly executed applications, were present to write the examinations administered as part of the full Board examination process:

Samuel David Aadnes  
Alisa Brooke Aden  
Matthew R. Affeldt  
Mohamed Ahmed Aw-Dahir  
Omar Badawi  
Timothy John Barr  
Sarah Marie Biebighauser  
Nicholle M. Binek  
Amy Marie Bollom  
Ann Elizabeth Byre  
Brian Gregory Calnon  
Denise Hull Campion  
Katie Ann Carls  
Leah Rebecca Carlson  
Ryan Michael Cassity  
Danelle Dawn Chapinski  
David John Christiansen  
Sadie Marie Christianson  
Laurel Jane Clair  
David James Coffee  
Megan Alice Cords  
Gabriel Robert Dean  
Paul J. Degen  
Kelly Jo Dick  
Daniel William Dixon  
Angela Ann Donsante  
Jennifer Mary Drean-Rollie  
Allison Irene Farley  
Brent Joseph Ferguson  
Chris Filopoulos  
Amy Lynn Fossum  
Melissa W. Fossum  
Jodi Lyn Grabinski  
Joshua Nathan Grabow  
Kelly Ann Haar  
Kelly Zobava Hadsall  
James Leon Hand

Dominic A. Hanson  
Jennifer Marie Hanson  
Shadeen R. Haque  
Paul E. Harder  
Shane Arthur Havron  
Jason Phillip Hinrichs  
Jennifer Ann Hirschey  
Tu-Khanh N. Hoang  
Sara Louise Hoege  
Jenny Anne Hougum  
Brian J. Howard  
Lisa Marie Ives  
Michelle Leigh Jacobson  
Nathan David Jacobson  
Christine Marie Jennewein  
Elizabeth Marie Kadlec  
Lynne Rita Kellar  
Robert Kersting  
Kelly Uyen Khieu  
Valerie Elizabeth Klaas  
Leslie Ann Knudson  
Lori Jean Koopman  
Karl Allen Krenz  
Pao Robert Kue  
Cari Michelle Labonne  
Steve Michael Lafond  
Margarette My Lao  
Kevin V. Lee  
Kelly Ann Lentz  
Neda L. Leonard  
Amanda Larayne Macari  
Kavitha Mathews  
Sara Ruth Mathiowetz  
Amy Beth Mattson  
Chris Jerrod Meyer  
Pepper N. Meyer  
Amy Lee Mikkelsen

Sandra Lynn Monger  
Pamela Ann Motzko  
Shanna Lee Myers  
Adam Wesley Nachand  
Jennifer Joan Nagel  
Wade Patrick Nagel  
Michael P. Namisnak  
Chad A. Nellis  
Kristine A. Nellis  
Andrea Marie Newman  
Hanh Bich Nguyen  
Thu Kieu Nguyen  
Michelle Susan Nordmark  
Chad Michael Novak  
Chinwe Chidinma Ntekim  
Eun Joong Oh  
Chrystian Reynaldo Pereira  
Neena Reddy Pesaru  
David Paul Peterson  
Ryan James Poppinga  
Mary Catherine Quenzer  
Susan Renee Rabenberg  
Melissa Ann Rambow  
Leah Jo Rein  
Lynne L. Reinke  
Rebecca Jean Reis  
Jennifer Mertz Riegel  
Susan Renee Rosenau  
Anne Marie Schapman  
Jami Marie Schell  
Diane Marie Schlessner  
Stacy Ann Schoepke  
Anne Marie Schullo  
Mara Anne Schwandt  
Karla Sue Semanko  
Tara Kristi Shogren  
Galina Shteyman



Kyle Francis Skiermont  
Kathryn A. Sloan  
Daniel Thomas Spreitzer  
Julie Lynn Stauss  
Michael Christian Stober  
Jeanne M. Ternes-Denn  
Dennis John Thackeray  
Sarah Lynn Thompson  
Cari J. Thomsen  
Donna Marie Todoroff

Thomas M. Trempe  
Tiana L. Truong  
Katie Bich-Ngoc Tu  
Stephanie Ann Uglum  
Doris Joongsun Uh  
Susan Cunha Villegas  
Amy Elizabeth Wallingford  
Sara Ann Warner  
Daniel Aloysius Weiss, Jr.  
Katie Jo Westby

Sarah Mae Westrum  
Sarah Gaylene Whaley  
Kenzie Lane Wickman  
Vicki Jean Wilhelm  
Freddie Yiu-Fung Wong  
Ann Marie Yapel  
Dacotah Joy Yokom  
Michelle Barbara Zachman  
Lisa Marie Zimney

The following retake candidates were also present to write the examination:

Basma Abd El-Rahman  
Mohamed Abou-Karam  
David John Crolus  
Suzanne Elizabeth Doerr  
Mohamed Nagi Ahmed El-Basuony

Minh Van Nguyen  
Trang Dai Nguyen  
Michael Gregory Notkin  
Samuel Wagner  
Long Yang

Also present to write the examination was Mr. David Sundberg, who is seeking reinstatement of his license to practice pharmacy.

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At approximately 9:30 a.m., June 14, 2001, the Board met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza Building, 2829 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. Again, all members of the Board were in attendance, with the exception of Mr. Charles Cooper. Also in attendance were the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom, and the Board's Legal Counsel, Mr. Robert Holley.

After reviewing, revising, and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of April 25, 2001. After making a minor modification to the minutes, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the minutes be approved as amended. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to matters of a quasi-judicial nature. The first item of a quasi-judicial nature to come before the Board was a proposed stipulation and order in the matter of the pharmacist license of Mr. Gordon L. Kohs. Mr. Kohs now, personally, appeared before the Board to discuss the proposed stipulation and order. The stipulation and order was developed subsequent to a disciplinary conference held with Mr. Kohs on May 30, 2001, to



discuss allegations of unprofessional conduct. Mr. Kohs has agreed to and signed the proposed stipulation and order.

After discussing the stipulation and order and obtaining background information that led to the development of the document from Mr. Kohs, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the proposed stipulation and order be approved and that Mr. Holmstrom be directed to sign the stipulation and order on the Board's behalf. The motion passed with Mr. Vern Kassekert voting in opposition.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented, to the Board, Mr. Franklin Wickham, who, with several other individuals representing Ortho Biotech, presented the Board with background information and educational material relating to biotech drugs and generic equivalents. At the conclusion of their presentation, Mr. Wickham and the other representatives from Ortho Biotech departed from the meeting.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies, which it has received since its last meeting. The first such application was submitted on behalf of Cub Pharmacy, in Mankato, Minnesota, by Mr. James Armbruster, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Cub Pharmacy, in Rosemount, Minnesota, by Ms. Julie Szambelan, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Walgreens Pharmacy, in Eden Prairie, Minnesota, by Ms. RONALDA MILLER, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a list of pharmacies, that have come to his attention, that are operating without a current pharmacist-in-charge on record. The Board discussed this issue at some length and observed that it is a violation of Minnesota law for a pharmacy to operate without a pharmacist-in-charge identified. The Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to continue to study this issue and to develop a plan for bringing the pharmacies, without an identified pharmacist-in-charge, into compliance.

Mr. Holmstrom next provided the Board with scores from candidates for licensure by reciprocity and examination. After a review of the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that, having passed the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
7787	Kristine Kay Daly	NE
7788	Julie Hope Cook	SD
7789	Michael James Williams, Jr.	MI
7790	Andrew Chunghing Tang	WI
7792	Michael Rodney Forbrook	SD
7793	Rebecca Suzanne Grovom	MT
7794	Kristin Kaye Nevitt	IN
7795	Christian Ike Duruji	TX
7796	Michael Gene Lawrence	WI
7797	Tejal Patel	NJ
7798	Susan Marie Schnase	ND

For the full board examination candidate, the Board determined that, in grading the examination, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical examination portion at 20% of the total, and the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the following candidate be granted licensure as a pharmacist.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Dai Q. Hoang	7791	117199-6

The motion passed.

At this time Mr. Todd Sorensen and Ms. Kristen Jahnke, from the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy, appeared before the Board to continue the discussion of an immunization certificate program that is being developed for pharmacists by the College of Pharmacy. The immunization certificate program is designed to train pharmacists to safely and effectively administer vaccines to patients at their pharmacies. Mr. Sorensen and Ms. Jahnke are requesting the Board's consideration of pilot projects, which would allow participants of the immunization certificate program to begin administration of vaccines.

After obtaining additional information from Mr. Sorensen and Ms. Jahnke, regarding the certificate program and the number of pharmacists who completed the program, the Board invited Mr. Sorensen to have program participants apply for approval of pilot projects for immunization programs specific to each participating pharmacy.

The Board next turned its attention to variance requests that have been submitted to the Board since its last meeting. The Board first addressed new variance requests that are receiving their first reading. The first such request was submitted on behalf of Fairview University Medical Center, Riverside Campus, by Mr. Nick Malinowsky, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Malinowsky is seeking a variance, which would allow the pharmacy to store dispensing records off site. The storage location would be on the Fairview University Medical Center Riverside Campus in Room M-15 through August of 2001. Pharmacy staff would have key access for the entry and have 24 hour a day access to the records. Mr. Malinowsky's second request relates to the same issue. Beginning in June of 2001, Fairview University Medical Center Riverside Campus proposes to begin using Iron Mountain Records Management for records storage. This facility will provide two- to four-hour turnaround of record requests 24 hours a day. Fairview University Medical Center Riverside Campus proposes to no longer store records in Room M-15 after August of 2001. Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy on two readings for each variance request and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board approve, on a permanent basis, both variances requested by Mr. Malinowsky relating to records retention. The motion passed.

The next request for a new variance receiving its first reading was, again, submitted on behalf of Fairview University Medical Center, Riverside Campus, by Mr. Nick Malinowsky, Pharmacist-in-charge. In this request, Mr. Malinowsky is seeking a variance that would allow Fairview Riverside Medical Center Riverside Campus to keep NCR copies of medication orders (the pharmacist's copy) in the pharmacy for 30 days with the original copy being kept permanently in the patient's chart. Again, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each variance request and act on this request immediately. That motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board approve this variance request on behalf of the Fairview University Medical Center Riverside Campus on a permanent basis. The motion passed.

The third request for a variance was also submitted on behalf of Fairview University Medical Center, Riverside Campus, by Mr. Nick Malinowsky, Pharmacist-in-charge. In this request, Mr. Malinowsky is seeking a variance, which would allow Fairview University Medical Center Riverside Campus to store more than one item in a matrix or mini-drawer in Pyxis Machines. This matrix option would be used on a limited basis and would contain OTCS and common floor stock items (e.g., furosemide, milk of magnesia, sodium bicarbonate injection) and will not include controlled substances. More than one medication in a mini-drawer would only be utilized where drugs are significantly different from each other (e.g., different routes of administration for different drugs). In keeping with its established policy of considering variance requests at two consecutive Board meetings, the Board gave Mr. Malinowsky's request its first reading and will consider it for the second time at the Board's meeting of July 25, 2001. In the meantime, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to obtain input on this issue from Board inspectors.



The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Fairview University Medical Center, University Campus, by Ms. Bonnie Senst, Pharmacist-in-Charge. Like the request from Mr. Malinowsky on the Riverside Campus, Ms. Senst is requesting an opportunity to store dispensing records outside of the pharmacy on the University Campus. Ms. Senst's request identifies record storage in Room D189 of the Mayo Building and at the University Stores, 2901 Talmadge Avenue SE (through August 2001), and at Iron Mountain Records Management beginning in May of 2001. Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. That motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the variances relating to records storage outside of the licensed pharmacy area requested by Ms. Senst be approved for an indefinite period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance was also submitted on behalf of Fairview University Medical Center, University Campus, by Ms. Bonnie Senst, Pharmacist-in-Charge. Again, like the case with the Riverside Campus, Ms. Senst is requesting a variance which would allow Fairview University Medical Center University Campus to keep the NCR copy of medication orders (the pharmacist's copy) in the pharmacy for only 30 days with the original copy being kept permanently in the patient's chart. Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board approve the variance relating to the maintaining of medication orders in the pharmacy, requested by Ms. Senst, on a permanent basis. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Fairview University Medical Center, University Campus, by Ms. Bonnie Senst, Pharmacist-in-Charge. Ms. Senst is requesting a variance, which would allow the Fairview University Medical Center University Campus Pharmacy to store pharmaceuticals outside of the main central pharmacy location, but within the hospital facility. After a brief discussion of this request, it was determined that a variance is not required in this instance in that the hospital pharmacy is responsible for drug storage everywhere in the hospital and, by statute, hospitals can possess stock supplies of legend drugs. As a result, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to write to Ms. Senst indicating that a variance is not needed in order to store legend drugs within a hospital facility.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was also submitted on behalf of Fairview University Medical Center, University Campus, by Ms. Bonnie Senst, Pharmacist-in-Charge. This variance request, like the request from Fairview University Medical Center Riverside Campus, would allow the pharmacy to store more than one item in a matrix or mini-drawer in Pyxis Machines. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it its second reading at the meeting of July 25, 2001. In the meantime, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to obtain additional information from Pharmacy Board inspectors regarding the issue of matrix drawers in Pyxis automated distribution systems.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Itasca Medical Center Pharmacy, in Grand Rapids, Minnesota, by Mr. Jim Keller, Pharmacist-in-Charge. Mr. Keller is requesting a variance, which would allow him to also be named as the pharmacist-in-charge of the Deer River Community Hospital, which obtains its pharmacy services from the staff at Itasca Medical Center in Grand Rapids. After discussing Mr. Keller's request, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its policy of two readings for all variance requests and act on Mr. Keller's request now. The motion passed. Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Keller, which would allow him to become pharmacist-in-charge at the Deer River Community Hospital in addition to his PIC duties at Itasca Medical Center, be granted on a permanent basis. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of the Hospice Program of Luverne Community Hospital, by Ms. Linda Reisdorfer, Hospice Clinical Director. Ms. Reisdorfer is seeking a variance, which would allow an emergency kit containing various controlled substances to be prepared for hospice residents at a facility called "The Cottage." In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for each variance request, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it its second reading at the meeting of July 25, 2001. In the meantime, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to obtain additional information regarding the position of the pharmacist-in-charge at Luverne Community Hospital relative to this request, and to obtain additional information regarding who will have access to the key for the kit and information on why the kit cannot be kept at the hospital rather than being kept at "The Cottage."

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of the Fairview Red Wing Hospital, by Mr. David Swinarski, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Swinarski is requesting a variance that would allow him to become the pharmacist-in-charge at Zumbrota Health Care in Zumbrota, which receives pharmacy services through the Fairview Red Wing Hospital Pharmacy. Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on Mr. Swinarski's request immediately. That motion passed. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Swinarski, allowing him to be designated as pharmacist-in-charge at both the Fairview Red Wing Hospital Pharmacy and the Zumbrota Health Care Pharmacy be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of PharMerica Pharmacy by Mr. Joseph Miller, Consultant Pharmacist. Mr. Miller is requesting a variance relating to the emergency kit PharMerica provides to Maplewood Good Samaritan Nursing Home. Mr. Miller is requesting a variance that would allow PharMerica to include up to 12 tablets of Percocet 5/325 and up to 12 tablets of Vicodin 5/500 in the emergency kit. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each variance request and act on this request immediately. That motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board approve the variance requested by Mr. Miller for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.



The Board next turned its attention to requests for extensions of previously granted variances that were being read for the first time. The first request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Chronimed Pharmacy, by Ms. Linda Kobilarcsik, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Kobilarcsik is seeking an extension of a previously granted variance relating to the area designated as a licensed pharmacy at Chronimed. Ms. Jean Lemberg then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings of all variance requests and act on this request immediately. That motion passed. Ms. Jean Lemberg then moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the previously granted variance be approved for an indefinite period of time. The motion passed.

The second request for an extension of a previously granted variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Northern Itasca Pharmacy, by Mr. John Nathe, Pharmacist-in-charge. Northern Itasca Pharmacy is requesting an extension of a variance, which allows the pharmacy to pre-pack various pharmaceutical products to be dispensed by physicians in the Northome and Big Falls Clinics. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings of all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board extend the previously granted variance for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for an extension of a previously granted variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of various Thrifty White Drug Pharmacies, by Ms. Patricia DeLaPointe, Manager of Long Term Care for Thrifty White. Ms. DeLaPointe is requesting an extension of a variance, which allows the return of medications from assisted-living facilities. Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings of all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board extend the previously granted variance for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed with Ms. Jean Lemberg voting in opposition.

The next request for an extension of a previously granted variance receiving its first reading was also submitted on behalf of Thrifty White Pharmacy, in Hastings, Minnesota, by Ms. Patricia DeLaPointe, Manager of Long Term Care for Thrifty White. Ms. DeLaPointe is requesting an extension of a variance for the Thrifty White Hastings Pharmacy relating to the return for credit of medications dispensed to the Dakota County Jail in a 31-day blister card medication system. Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings of all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the previously granted variance be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed with Ms. Jean Lemberg voting in opposition.

The final request for an extension of a previously granted variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of PharMerica Pharmacy, by Ms. Cynthia Walker, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Walker is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance, which expands the allowable emergency kit for the Lake Ridge Health Care Center. Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings of all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the previously granted variance be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The Board next addressed variance requests that were given their first reading at the April meeting of the Board. The first such request was submitted on behalf of Bridges Hospital Pharmacy in Ada, Minnesota, by Mr. Gary Rosenau, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Rosenau is requesting a variance that would require him to be on-site at the part-time pharmacy at the Bridges Hospital only one day a week. Currently, if a patient is admitted, drugs are put on the patient profile system and faxed to Mr. Rosenau at the local pharmacy. The medications that the patients will receive are prepared and dispensed from that location. The only medications that are done on-site at the hospital are IVs. The Director of Nursing is ordering and directing administration procedures of those medications. Mr. Rosenau is requesting the variance because the patient census at Bridges does not warrant more frequent on-site visits. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Rosenau be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance to receive its second reading was submitted on behalf of High Pointe Pharmacy, in Lake Elmo, Minnesota, by Mr. Greg Schad, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Schad is requesting a variance that would allow High Pointe Pharmacy to accept returns of medications from the Washington County Jail, in Stillwater, Minnesota, under circumstances similar to those involving nursing home patients. The request is only for unit dose packages prepared commercially and products in the original unopened containers. Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Schad be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed with Ms. Jean Lemberg voting in opposition.

The next request for a variance to receive its second reading was submitted on behalf of Alliance Clinic Pharmacy, by Ms. Kathleen Wickstrom, Clinic Director. Ms. Wickstrom is requesting variances relating to the square footage of the pharmacy dispensing and drug storage area and to equipment kept on hand at the pharmacy. Alliance Clinic Pharmacies is a Methodone treatment center pharmacy and has only two products that are being dispensed. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board approve the variances requested on a permanent basis pending the approval of these variance requests by the pharmacist-in-charge of the pharmacy. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance was a request for an extension of a previously granted variance for St. Luke's Hospital Pharmacy, in Duluth, Minnesota, submitted by Mr. Mike Dudzik, Director of Pharmacy. Mr. Dudzik is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance relating to a tech-check-tech program at St. Luke's. Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the scheduling of meetings for the year 2002. The following schedule was adopted.

**2002 BOARD MEETINGS**

January 8th and 9th	-	Board Exams and Business Meeting
February 20th	-	Business Meeting
March 20th	-	Business Meeting
April 24th	-	Business Meeting
May 18th-22nd	-	NABP Annual Meeting
June 4th and 5th	-	Board Exams and Business Meeting
July 31st	-	Business Meeting
August	-	District V Meeting
September 18th	-	Business Meeting
October 23rd	-	Business Meeting
December 4th	-	Business Meeting

The Board next entered into a discussion of attendance at the District V Meeting of the Boards and Colleges of Pharmacy in the upper Midwest area. Ms. Jean Lemberg then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that all Board members and the Board's Executive Director be authorized to attend the District V Meeting of the Boards and Colleges of Pharmacy in Rapid City, South Dakota, at Board expense. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next provided the Board with a draft of reimbursement and per diem policy. After a brief discussion, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board approve the per diem policy as amended. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next advised the Board that the meeting he had with representatives of the Department of Corrections indicated the interest that DOC staff has in developing a set of rules specifically addressing pharmacy services to correctional facilities. After a brief discussion, Mr. Holmstrom was directed to contact staff at the Department of Corrections and begin the process of developing rules relating to pharmacy services at correctional facilities.

There being no further business at this time, President Benson adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:45 p.m.



PRESIDENT

  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## **Board of Pharmacy Reimbursement/Per Diem Policy**

Per diem payments will be made available to Board members under the following circumstances.

- Any meeting at which the board member is personally present and engaged in activity on behalf of the Board of Pharmacy (e.g. Board meetings, Board Committee meetings, Board Disciplinary conferences, and HPSP meetings).
- Any convention, conference or seminar attended in which the board member is engaged in activity on behalf of or is attending as a representative of the Board of Pharmacy (includes travel day, if needed, to arrive at meeting site in a timely manner).
- Participation in business activities conducted on behalf of the board, for example, in person meetings of Board officers or committee chairs with Board staff or with representatives of other boards (e.g. The Council of Health Boards), attendance at legislative hearings on issues of concern to the Board, meetings with legislators or other state officials on behalf of the Board, providing depositions or testifying on legal matters involving the Board, meeting with disciplinary cases, etc.

Per Diem will not be paid for reviewing materials in preparation for Board meetings or Committee meetings unless time spent reviewing materials is greater than 4 hours for any single meeting.

The Executive Director will review and approve per diem payments consistent with this policy.

Policy adopted June 14, 2001



## MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

### SEVEN HUNDRED AND THIRTY-NINTH MEETING

At approximately 7:30 a.m., July 25, 2001, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza Building, 2829 University Avenue Southeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of developing language for several rule changes being considered by the Board. Also attending the rules development meeting were approximately two dozen other individuals representing MPhA, MSHP, Chain Drug Pharmacies, Long-term Care Pharmacies, Independent Community Pharmacies, and employee pharmacists. All members of the Board were in attendance, with the exception of Mr. Thomas Dickson. Also in attendance were the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom, and the Board of Pharmacy surveyors.

At approximately 9:30 a.m., July 25, 2001, the Board met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza Building, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. Again, all members of the Board were in attendance, with the exception of Mr. Thomas Dickson. Also in attendance were the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom, and the Board's Legal Counsel, Mr. Robert Holley.

After reviewing, revising, and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of June 13 and 14, 2001. Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to matters of a quasi-judicial nature. The first item of a quasi-judicial nature to come before the Board was a proposed stipulation and order in the matter of the pharmacist license of Mr. Daniel T. Jonas. Mr. Jonas now, personally, appeared before the Board to discuss the proposed stipulation and order. The stipulation and order was developed subsequent to a disciplinary conference held with Mr. Jonas on July 12, 2001, to discuss allegations of unprofessional conduct. Mr. Jonas has agreed to and signed the proposed stipulation and order.

After discussing the stipulation and order with Mr. Jonas and obtaining additional background information from him, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the proposed stipulation and order be approved and that Mr. Holmstrom be directed to sign the stipulation and order on the Board's behalf. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies, which it has received since its last meeting. The first such application was submitted on behalf of Community Clinics Pharmacy – Model Cities, in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Ms. Katie Reinke, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Costco Pharmacy, in Coon Rapids, Minnesota, by Mr. Charles Burnett, Senior Vice President. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Econofoods Pharmacy, in Watertown, Minnesota, by Mr. James Linden, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The fourth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Fairview Chanhassen Pharmacy, in Chanhassen, Minnesota, by Mr. William Schommer, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The fifth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Fairview Minnetonka Pharmacy, in Minnetonka, Minnesota, by Mr. William Schommer, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The sixth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Rainbow Pharmacy, in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, by Mr. Richard Hayes, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The seventh application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Rainbow Pharmacy, in Savage, Minnesota, by Mr. Richard Hayes, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The eighth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Rainbow Pharmacy, in Shoreview, Minnesota, by Mr. Richard Hayes, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The ninth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Sam's Pharmacy, in Apple Valley, Minnesota, by Mr. James Martin, District Manager. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The tenth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Sam's Pharmacy, in Eagan, Minnesota, by Mr. James Martin, District Manager. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The eleventh and final application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Walgreens Pharmacy, in Mounds View, Minnesota, by Mr. Ashraf Zaki, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a list of continuing education programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force between the dates of April 10, 2001 and June 12, 2001, and between June 12, 2001 and July 10, 2001. After reviewing the list of programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that those programs recommended for approval be so approved and that those programs for which denial of approval was recommended be denied. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the performance of candidates, for licensure by examination, that have completed all parts of the June 2001 Board examination. For full Board examination candidates, the Board determined that in grading the examinations, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical Examination weighted at 20% of the total, the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the following candidates be granted licensure as pharmacists:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Matthew Robert Affeldt	7806	117214-4
Paul James Degen	7807	117215-7
Long Yang	7808	117216-0
Mohamed A. Abou-Karam	7809	117217-3
Basma A. ABD El-Rahman	7810	117218-6
Alisa Brooke Aden	7811	117219-9
Adam Wesley Nachand	7812	117220-9
Ann Elizabeth Byre	7813	117221-2
Valerie E. Klaas	7814	117222-5
Jennifer J. Nagel	7815	117223-8
Lynne R. Kellar	7816	117224-1
Susan Rosenau	7817	117225-4
Kyle F. Skiermont	7818	117226-7
Tara Kristi Shogren	7819	117227-0
Mohamed Nagi Elbasuony	7820	117228-3
Michael G. Notkin	7821	117229-6
Kavitha Thomas	7822	117230-6
Dominic Andrew Hanson	7823	117231-9
Leslie Ann Knudson	7824	117232-2
Leah Rebecca Carlson	7826	117234-8
Sara A. Warner	7827	117235-1
Thomas M. Trempe	7828	117236-4
Katie J. Westby	7829	117237-7
Jeanne M. Ternes-Denn	7830	117238-0
Jennifer M. Hagen	7832	117240-3



<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Jennifer Mertz Riegel	7833	117241-6
Shane Arthur Havron	7834	117242-9
Mary C. Quenzer	7835	117243-2
Susan Cunha Villegas	7838	117246-1
Brian J. Howard	7839	117247-4
Kristine Anne Nellis	7840	117248-7
Pepper Nicole Meyer	7841	117249-0
Pamela Ann Motzko	7842	117250-0
Megan A. Cords	7843	117251-3
Sarah G. Whaley	7844	117252-6
Jennifer Marie Hanson	7845	117253-9
Kelly Jo Dick	7846	117254-2
Danelle Ann Chapinski	7848	117256-8
Sarah Mae Larson	7849	117257-1
Amy M. Bollom	7850	117258-4
Chad A. Nellis	7851	117259-7
Lisa Marie Ives	7852	117260-7
Anne Marie Schapman	7853	117261-0
Kevin Virgil Lee	7854	117262-3
Timothy John Barr	7855	117263-6
David J. Christiansen	7856	117265-2
Dennis John Thackeray	7857	117264-9
Katie Lynn Reinke	7858	117266-5
Susan Renee Rabenberg	7859	117267-8
Kelly Ann Boado	7860	117268-1
Kelly Z. Hadsall	7861	117269-4
Stephanie Ann Uglum	7862	117270-4
Steven Michael Lafond	7863	117271-7
Michelle Jacobson	7864	117272-0
Nathan Jacobson	7865	117273-3
Melissa Ann Rambow	7866	117274-6
Stacy Schoepke	7867	117275-9
Margarette My Lao	7868	117276-2
Melissa Ann Fossum	7870	117278-8
Sarah M. Biebighauser	7871	117279-1
Karl Krenz	7872	117281-4
Pao Robert Kue	7873	117282-7
Jenny A. Houglum	7874	117283-0
Gabriel Dean	7875	117284-3
Andrea Marie Newman	7876	117285-6
David James Coffee	7877	117286-9
Sarah Lynn Thompson	7879	117288-5
Amy Wallingford	7880	117289-8

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Sadie M. Christianson	7881	117290-8
Cari Jo Thomsen	7882	117291-1
Michelle S. Nordmark	7883	117292-4
Ann Marie Yapel	7884	117293-7
Christine Marie Grabow	7885	117294-0
Joshua Nathan Grabow	7886	117295-3
Katie Bich-Ngoc Tu	7887	117296-6
Jamie Marie Schell	7888	117297-9
Kelly Uyen Khieu	7889	117298-2
Nicholle Marie Binke	7890	117299-5
Brian G. Calnon	7891	117300-4
Chad Michael Novak	7892	117301-7
Vicki Jean Wilhelm	7913	117280-1

The Board next addressed itself to the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity who have taken the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination for Minnesota since the Board's last meeting. After a thorough review of the performance of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that, having passed the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
7799	Corina Sue Kelley	IA
7800	Jessica Lynn Nagan	MO
7801	Tu Uyen Thi Tran	NE
7802	Ronald Lee Rames	SD
7803	Michael Kotlyar	NY
7804	Pamela N. Jones	SD
7805	Sara Jane Drake	WI
7825	Monika May Bell	ND
7831	Scott Joseph Knoer	KS
7836	Kimberly Raye Henrich	ND
7837	Jesse Lee Breidenbach	ND
7847	Susan Denise Joiner	IN
7869	Michael Anthony Sabo	OK
7878	Deepak Kumar	IA
7893	Jeffrey Adam Boser	ND
7910	Ann Marie Fitzgibbons	IA

At this time Mr. Peter Haas, Pharmacist-in-charge, from Setzer Pharmacy, in Roseville, Minnesota, appeared before the Board to discuss the extension of a previously granted variance, which allowed Setzer Pharmacy to utilize an LPN/Pharmacy Technician to take telephone orders for new prescriptions over the phone from prescribers. The Board requested Mr. Haas to discuss the relative advantages and disadvantages of the previously granted variance and to identify any dispensing errors which were attributable to the technician. After discussing all these issues with Mr. Haas, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the Board extend the previously granted variance for an additional two-year period of time. The motion passed.

At this time Mr. Mike Simko and Ms. Kelly Beaudoin, from Walgreens Pharmacies, appeared before the Board to give the Board its final report on the pilot project involving a Walgreens Central Fill Pharmacy. Mr. Simko reported that the pilot project was highly successful and reported that Walgreens intends to construct a separate central fill facility in the Twin Cities area in the near future.

At this time Mr. Ken Rosenblum, Ms. Terri Woodhull, and Mr. Bill Byers, all of Mendota Healthcare, together with Mr. Mike Steinhauer and Mr. Mike Canfield, from Reed Drug in White Bear Lake, appeared before the Board to provide the Board with information regarding the electronic prescribing and automated dispensing system developed by Mendota Healthcare. At the conclusion of the presentation, and of the question and answer period, the Board thanked Ms. Woodhull for her presentation and thanked Messrs. Rosenblum, Byers, Steinhauer, and Canfield for their input. The Board then directed Mr. Holmstrom to write to Mr. Rosenblum acknowledging the relationships between the InstyMeds system and the Board's statutes and rules relating to dispensing.

The Board next turned its attention to a variance request that had been submitted to the Board since its last meeting. The Board first addressed new variance requests that are receiving their first reading. The first such request was submitted on behalf of Childrens Hospitals and Clinics, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Ms. Susan Bickmore, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Bickmore is seeking a variance which would allow the pharmacy to waive the requirement of having a prescription balance and weight, various measuring devices, and other pieces of equipment on hand at the pharmacy. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for each variance request, the Board gave this request its first reading and will consider the variance a second time at the Board's meeting of September 19, 2001.

The next request for a new variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Omnicare – Minnesota Pharmacy, by Ms. Jeannette Haggerty, Director of Consulting Services. Ms. Haggerty is requesting a variance whereby Omnicare – Minnesota would exchange emergency boxes at some of the facilities, served by Omnicare, automatically on a twice weekly basis, rather than when an individual item is used from the kit. Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each variance request and act on this request immediately. That motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board approve this variance request on behalf of Omnicare – Minnesota Pharmacy for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a new variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Care Alliance Pharmacy, by Ms. Jeannette Haggerty, Director of Consulting Services. Ms. Haggerty is requesting a variance whereby Care Alliance would exchange emergency boxes at some of the facilities, served by Care Alliance, automatically on a twice-weekly basis, rather than when an individual item is used from the kit. Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each variance request and act on this request immediately. That motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson, seconded that the Board approve this variance request on behalf of Care Alliance Pharmacy for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a new variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Anderson Drug, in Cambridge, Minnesota, by Mr. David Lehman, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Lehman is requesting a variance that would allow his pharmacy to establish emergency kits at Minnesota Extended Treatment Options in Cambridge. This facility is a unique state-sponsored facility, categorized as an ICFMR that attempts to transition severely handicapped and mentally retarded individuals from treatment centers, such as Anoka Treatment Center, to a group home setting. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each variance request and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Lehman be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The final request for a new variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of four Minnesota pharmacies, by Ms. Priya Mehta, Pharmacist-in-charge of Cub Pharmacy in Blaine. The pharmacies involved in the immunization pilot projects described by Ms. Mehta are Pro Pharmacy in South St. Paul, Cub Pharmacy in St. Louis Park, HyVee Pharmacy in Faribault, and Cub Pharmacy in Blaine. Ms. Mehta now, personally, appeared before the Board to discuss a request for approval of a pilot project involving the administration of influenza and pneumococcal vaccines to adults at these pharmacies. The pharmacists involved at each of these pharmacies have completed the immunization training program described by Mr. Todd Sorensen at the last two meetings of the Board. After hearing from Ms. Mehta, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each variance request and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the pilot project requested by Mr. Mehta be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the consideration of requests for extensions of previously granted variances which are receiving their first reading.

The first such request for an extension was submitted on behalf of Advantage Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Mr. Larry Lindberg, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Lindberg is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allowed him to be the pharmacist-in-charge at both the Advantage Pharmacy and at Rx Express Pharmacy, both of which are located at the same address. Ms. Jean Lemberg then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider this request immediately. The motion passed.



Ms. Jean Lemberg then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Mr. Lindberg be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The second request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Albert Lea Medical Center Pharmacy, by Mr. Ross Martinson, Director of Pharmacy Services. Mr. Martinson is requesting an extension of a variance relating to the control of medication samples by the Albert Lea Medical Center Outpatient Pharmacy. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Mr. Martinson be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The third request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of the Department of Corrections, by Ms. Nanette Schroeder, Director of the Health Services Unit. Ms. Schroeder is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows the establishment of expanded emergency kits at Minnesota Correctional Facilities by Spectrum Pharmacy in Oklahoma. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Schroeder be approved for an additional two-year period of time. The motion passed.

The fourth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Northland Pharmacy - Elk River, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager for Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance relating to the return of unused medications from the Sherburne County Jail. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Ganske be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The fifth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of the Greater Staples Hospital Pharmacy, by Ms. Patricia Ryle, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Ryle is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance allowing the pharmacy to provide an emergency supply of medications, for hospice patients, which include a number of controlled substance drugs. Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider this request immediately. The motion passed.

Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Ryle be approved for an additional five-year period of time. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to new variances receiving their second readings. The first such request was submitted on behalf of Fairview-University Medical Center, Riverside Campus, by Mr. Nick Malinowsky, Pharmacist-in-charge. After again discussing the request for the use of matrix drawers in Pyxis Machines, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board deny the variance requested by Mr. Malinowsky. The motion passed.

The second request for a variance receiving its second reading was submitted on behalf of Fairview-University Medical Center, University Campus, by Ms. Bonnie Senst, Pharmacist-in-charge. As was the case with Mr. Malinowsky, Ms. Senst is requesting a variance that would allow the use of matrix drawers in Pyxis Machines at the University Campus of the Fairview-University Medical Center. Again, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board deny the requested variance. The motion passed.

The third request for a variance which was receiving its second reading was submitted on behalf of the Hospice of Luverne Community Hospital, by Ms. Linda Reisdorfer, Hospice Clinical Director. Ms. Reisdorfer is requesting a variance that would allow the pharmacist at Luverne Community Hospital to supply an emergency kit for the hospice program, which would be stored at "The Cottage." Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board deny the request for an emergency kit kept at The Cottage, but approved plans for such an emergency kit if it is kept at the hospital. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with information regarding the 17th Annual Conference of the National Association of State Controlled Substances Authorities and his recommendation that the Board send Senior Inspector Stuart Vandenberg to the meeting as the Board's representative. Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that Mr. Vandenberg be authorized to attend the conference at the Board's expense. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next described to the Board an invitation received from the Department of Corrections Health Services Unit inviting the Executive Director and up to three Board members to tour the Correctional Facilities at Stillwater and Oak Park Heights to learn about healthcare services at correctional facilities. Board members Mr. Chuck Cooper, Mr. Vern Kassekert, and Ms. Carol Peterson volunteered to attend, in addition to Mr. Holmstrom.

Mr. Holmstrom next described, to the Board, a brochure entitled "How to Stop Drug Diversion and Protect Your Pharmacy," developed by Purdue Pharma and the request from Purdue that the brochure be mailed to Minnesota pharmacists at the time of license renewal by the Board. After briefly discussing this request, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to inform Purdue Pharma that it is not prepared to participate in the mailing of this brochure, but to invite Purdue Pharma to engage in such a mailing on its own.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, President Benson adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:10 p.m.



PRESIDENT



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

## SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTIETH MEETING

At approximately 8:30 a.m., September 19, 2001, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met in the University Room, at the University Park Plaza Building, 2829 University Avenue Southeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. All members of the Board were in attendance, with the exception of Mr. Carl Benson, who is currently hospitalized. Ms. Jean Lemberg, the Board's Vice-President, conducted the meeting. Also in attendance was the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom.

Ms. Jean Lemberg began the meeting by requesting that the Board members take a moment to recognize the problems of terrorism and to support our country in mourning the loss of lives in the terrorist actions of last week and in the coming fight to eliminate terrorism from the world.

After reviewing, revising and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of July 25, 2001. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies, which it has received since its last meeting. The first such application was submitted on behalf of Centracare Pharmacy, in St. Cloud, Minnesota, by Mr. Lowell Johnson, Coordinator of Outpatient Pharmacy Services. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

At this time, Pharmacist James Polucha appeared before the Board to discuss applications for licensure for Community Clinics Pharmacy-Southside in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Community Clinics Pharmacy-Northend in St. Paul, Minnesota. After thoroughly discussing both of these applications with Mr. Polucha, and taking note of the unique nature of these proposed pharmacies and the need for variances relating to the size and operation of these proposed pharmacies, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the applications be approved and licenses issued subject to the successful completion of on-site inspections by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure and that the variances required for these two clinics be granted for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The fourth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Cub Pharmacy, in Blaine, Minnesota, by Mr. John Woll, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.



The fifth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Hy-Vee Pharmacy, in Owatonna, Minnesota, by Mr. Robert Duffee, Pharmacist-in-charge. Upon reviewing the file for this proposed pharmacy, the Board noted that a diagram of the pharmacy was not included in the application and, as a result, did not approve this application.

The sixth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Integrativecare Natural Pharmacy, in Vadnais Heights, Minnesota, by Ms. Delores Ryan, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The seventh application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Petnet Pharmaceuticals, Inc., in Eagan, Minnesota, by Mr. Bradley Holmgren, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy and noting that this pharmacy is a nuclear pharmacy, which will be producing PET Pharmaceuticals, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The eighth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Target Pharmacy, in Chaska, Minnesota, by Ms. Michon McGuire, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The ninth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Target Pharmacy, in downtown Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Mr. David Hewitt, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The tenth and final application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Target Pharmacy, in Minnetonka, Minnesota, by Ms. Sandra Nagy, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a list of continuing education programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force between the dates of July 10, 2001 and August 14, 2001, and between August 14, 2001 and September 12, 2001. After reviewing the list of programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that those programs recommended for approval be so approved and that those programs for which denial of approval was recommended be denied. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the performance of candidates, for licensure by examination, that have completed all parts of the June 2001 Board examination. For full Board examination candidates, the Board determined that, in grading the examinations, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical Examination weighted at 20% of the total, the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the following candidates be granted licensure as pharmacists:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Rebecca Jean Reis	7918	117326-6
Amy L. Mikkelsen	7919	117327-9
Shanna L. Myers	7920	117328-2
James Leon Hand	7921	117329-5
Laurel Jane Clair	7922	117330-5
Lisa Marie Zimney	7924	117332-1
Cari Michelle Labonne	7925	117333-4
Jodi L. Grabinski	7926	117334-7
Jennifer Ann Hirschey	7927	117335-0
David P. Peterson	7928	117336-3
Daniel William Dixon	7931	117339-2
Mohamed Ahmed Aw-Dahir	7932	117340-2
Chris Jerrod Meyer	7933	117341-5
Jason Phillip Hinrichs	7934	117342-8
Doris Joongsun Uh	7942	117348-6
Freddie Y. Wong	7943	117349-9
Kathryn Ann Sloan	7944	117350-9
Brent Joseph Ferguson	7946	117352-5
Chris Filopoulos	7947	117353-8
Michael Paul Namisnak	7949	117355-4
Angela Ann Launsbach	7950	117356-7
Kenzie Lane Wickman	7951	117357-0
Chrystian R. Pereira	7952	117358-3
Dacotah J. Yokom	7953	117359-6
Julie Lynn Stauss	7954	117360-6
Galina Shteyman	7955	117361-9
Allison I. Farley	7956	117362-2
Amy L. Fossum	7962	117366-4

The Board next addressed itself to the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity that have taken the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination for Minnesota since the Board's last meeting. After a thorough review of the performance of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that, having passed the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
7923	Janel Marie Holm	CO
7929	Stephen James Groth	WI
7930	Laura Ann Whitson	IN
7935	Diane Marie Kimball	SD
7936	Pamela Renee Tennyson	ND
7939	Abdelgadir Mokhtar Gebrel	MD
7940	Jennifer Lynn Farley	NM
7941	Joel Franklin Farley	NM
7945	Jacklyn Ann Samuels	OK
7948	Shane Michael Himmerich	SD
7959	David Lee Novick	AZ
7960	Jeffrey Dale Fahrenbruch	TX
7961	Naomi Nmano Elliott	KS
7963	John Richard Biller	IA
7964	Christine Helen Dearing	WA
7965	Rebecca Joyce Nowak	WA

At this time Ms. Kathleen Wickstrom, RN, Clinic Director of Alliance Clinic, and Ms. Kaye Fischer, RPh, Pharmacist-in-charge at the Alliance Clinic Pharmacy, appeared before the Board to discuss the dispensing and administration of Methadone at this clinic. In addition to discussing the dispensing/administration issues, recently identified during a recent inspection visit, Ms. Wickstrom and Ms. Fischer also presented the Board with a request for a variance relating to nurse entry into the pharmacy at times when the pharmacist is not present and on duty. At the conclusion of the discussion with Ms. Wickstrom and Ms. Fischer on these issues, the Board determined that the dispensing/administration issue might be addressed by identifying the doses dispensed in the absence of the pharmacist as physician dispensing. The variance request relating to nurse entry into the pharmacy was given its first reading and will be acted on at the Board's meeting of October 24, 2001.

At this time, Mr. Bill Schommer, from Fairview Pharmacy Services, appeared before the Board to discuss three different proposals being made by Fairview relating to the provision of pharmacy services. Two of the proposals involved telepharmacy services and one involves a proposal for a prescription "drop station" at a senior citizen high-rise. The Board thoroughly discussed all of these proposals with Mr. Schommer and indicated that it will consider them over the interim and address them again at the October Board meeting.



The Board next addressed a proposal for a telepharmacy project submitted by Pharmacist William Grammond, Manager of Operations, at St. Mary's Duluth Clinic Pharmacy Services. The proposal by SMDC is to provide pharmacy services to an SMDC affiliated clinic in Remer, Minnesota, from the SMDC Pharmacy in Duluth. After discussing this proposal, the Board determined it would also consider this proposal over the interim and take final action on the proposal at the October 24, 2001, Board meeting.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter, from Board candidate Ryan Cassity, requesting that the Board reconsider the grade that Mr. Cassity received on the June 2001 Board Exam. Mr. Cassity argued that the Board should give him credit for an overdose of a pediatric patient because Mr. Cassity did not avail himself of the opportunity to bring a USP-DI reference book to the examination, but that in a real practice situation, such a reference would have been available to him. The Board rejected this argument in that Mr. Cassity had the same opportunity as every other examination candidate to obtain the allowable reference.

Secondly, Mr. Cassity argued that he correctly prepared a loading dose of dilated on one of the examination questions, and was incorrectly identified as having prepared the product in error. Upon reviewing Mr. Cassity's examination, the Board determined that, while Mr. Cassity may have included the appropriate amount of dilated in the IV solution, he incorrectly calculated the amount of bupifcane in which the dilated was to be mixed. As a result, the Board declined to change Mr. Cassity's grade on the examination.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented information to the Board regarding internship experience obtained by Ms. Leah Buettner, a potential exam candidate from Canada. After reviewing Ms. Buettner's internship experience in Canada, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board accept the hours submitted by Ms. Buettner, but noted that as of the end of August of 2001, Ms. Buettner had only a total of 1,480 hours, when a total of 1,500 hours is needed to qualify for the examination. The motion passed with Mr. Vern Kassekert abstaining.

The Board next turned its attention to variance requests that have been submitted to the Board since its last meeting. The Board first addressed new variance requests that are receiving the first reading. The first such request was submitted on behalf of the UMD Health Services Pharmacy, in Duluth, Minnesota, by Dr. Lawrence Reich, Medical Director of the UMD Health Services. Dr. Reich is seeking a variance, which would allow him to be designated as the Pharmacist-in-charge at the UMD Health Services Pharmacy until the end of October of 2001, at which time the pharmacy license will be surrendered and the Health Services will operate through the authority of Dr. Reich to dispense medications to his patients as a "dispensing physician." After discussing this request, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the Board suspend its requirement of two hearings for new variance requests and act on this request immediately. That motion passed.

Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that Dr. Reich's request be approved. The motion passed.



The next request for a new variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Owatonna Hospital Pharmacy, by Ms. Mikki Finnin, Pharmacy Manager. Ms. Finnin is requesting a variance that would allow the Owatonna Hospital Pharmacy to provide an emergency kit, which includes controlled substance drugs to the Owatonna Area Homecare and Hospice. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for new variance requests and act on this request immediately. That motion passed.

Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board approve the variance requested on behalf of Owatonna Hospital Pharmacy for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a new variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of HealthEast Pharmacies (St. Joseph's Hospital Pharmacy, St. John's Hospital Pharmacy, Bethesda Hospital Pharmacy, and Woodwinds Hospital Pharmacy), by Ms. Linda Benson, Group Director of Hospital Pharmacy Services for HealthEast Care System. The first request as submitted by Ms. Benson relates to maintaining prescriber order forms for two years. Ms. Benson is requesting a variance that would allow the various HealthEast Pharmacies to keep the NCR copies of the medication orders for 30 days with the originals being kept permanently as part of the patient's chart. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request and act on this request immediately. That motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the variance requested, on behalf of the HealthEast Pharmacies, by Ms. Benson be approved on a permanent basis. The motion passed.

Ms. Benson is also requesting a second variance for St. John's Pharmacy, that would allow St. John's Pharmacy to store pharmacy records in a locked storage room located at the old Midway Hospital, also owned by HealthEast. The records would be labeled and stored by date and would be retrievable within 24 hours, if needed. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board, again, suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request and act on this request immediately. That motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the variance requested by Ms. Benson, on behalf of St. John's Hospital Pharmacy, be approved on a permanent basis. The motion passed.

The next request for a new variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Mille Lacs Health System Pharmacy, by Mr. Greg Steffenson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Steffenson is requesting a variance that would allow this hospital pharmacy to utilize a procedure allowing specified RN's and pharmacy technicians to prepare medications in the pharmacy at times when no pharmacist was available to cover the hours of operation. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request, the Board gave this request its first reading and directed Mr. Holmstrom to obtain additional information regarding the technician functions being proposed by Mr. Steffenson. The Board will give this request its second reading at its scheduled meeting of October 24, 2001.

The next request for a new variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Merwin's Long Term Care Pharmacy, by Mr. Stephen Langemo, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Langemo is requesting a variance that would allow Merwin's to establish an emergency kit at the Hennepin County Home School in Minnetonka. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request, the Board gave this request its first reading and directed Mr. Holmstrom to obtain additional information from Mr. Langemo regarding this proposal. The Board will give this request its second reading at its scheduled meeting of October 24, 2001.

The next request for a new variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Fairview University Medical Center Pharmacy-University Campus, by Ms. Bonnie Senst, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Senst is requesting a variance that would allow the University Campus of Fairview University Medical Center to expand its tech-check-tech program to include technicians checking the additions to automated medication dispensing systems utilized at the hospital. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request, the Board gave this request its first reading and directed Mr. Holmstrom to obtain additional information, regarding the proposed use of technicians in this capacity, by Ms. Senst. The Board will give this request its second reading at its scheduled meeting of October 24, 2001.

The next request for a new variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of PharMerica, by Mr. Robert Decker, Consultant Pharmacist. Ms. Decker is requesting a variance that would allow PharMerica to establish an emergency medication kit for the Paynesville Good Samaritan Care Center, which would contain a sedative-controlled substance that normally would not be allowed in such emergency kits. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request and act on this request immediately. That motion passed.

Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board approve the variance requested by Mr. Decker for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The final request for a new variance was submitted on behalf of Thrifty White Drug, in Hastings, Minnesota, by David Szatkowski, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Szatkowski is requesting a variance to Minn. Rule 6800.3100, regarding the checking of the original container from which the medication was withdrawn during the certification steps of completing a prescription order. Thrifty White Pharmacy is utilizing a robotic filling device that prevents the checking of the original manufacturers container under normal circumstances. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request, the Board gave this request its first reading. The Board will give this request its second reading at its next scheduled meeting of October 24, 2001.

The Board next turned its attention to extensions of previously granted variances that have been submitted to the Board. The first such request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Baxter Healthcare Corporation, in Champlin, Minnesota, by Mr. Bruce Erickson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Erickson is requesting an extension of several variances granted to this renal dialysis pharmacy when it was originally opened. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the previously granted variances for Baxter Healthcare Renal Pharmacy be approved for an additional three-year period of time. The motion passed.

The second request for an extension of a previously granted variance to come before the Board was submitted on behalf of Care Alliance Pharmacy, by Ms. Jeannette Haggerty, Consultant Coordinator. Ms. Haggerty is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows nursing staff employed by Omnicare-Minnesota to assist pharmacists at Care Alliance Pharmacy with the monthly inventory of emergency kits at Long Term Care Facilities. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The third application for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Eagan Pharmacy, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager for Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows Fairview Eagan Pharmacy to secure and distribute sample medications for physicians of the Fairview Eagan Clinic. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The fourth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Hiawatha Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Mr. Kevin Weckwerth, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Weckwerth is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows Fairview Hiawatha Pharmacy to secure and dispense sample medications for the physicians at the Fairview Hiawatha Clinic located at the same address. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the previously granted variance be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The fifth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was actually a request for an extension of three different variances previously granted to Fairview University Medical Center – Riverside Campus Pharmacy and was submitted by new Pharmacist-in-charge, Mr. Scott Knoer. Mr. Knoer is requesting extensions for variances relating to the storage of records off-site, relating to the storage of the NCR copy of medication orders for 30 days with the original copy being kept in the patient's chart, and the use of the USP authorized extended expiration date for unit-dose medications. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the variances requested by Mr. Knoer be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The sixth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Falls Memorial Hospital Pharmacy, by Mr. Scott Groehler, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Groehler is seeking an extension of a previously granted variance that allows the pharmacy to prepare prepackaged antibiotic suspensions for dispensing out of the hospital's emergency room by ER physicians, when the pharmacies and clinic in town are closed. Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Tom Dickson then seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The seventh request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Hennepin County Medical Center Outpatient Pharmacy, by Mr. Norm Wikelius, Outpatient Pharmacy Manager and Pharmacist-in-charge at the 1 North Pharmacy. Mr. Wikelius is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows all three outpatient pharmacies at Hennepin County Medical Center to refill prescriptions from a common database with the refills being treated as refills rather than prescription transfers. During the discussion and deliberations on



this variance request, Board member Chuck Cooper excused himself from the meeting. Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Wikelius be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The eighth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was also submitted on behalf of Hennepin County Medical Center (HCMC) Outpatient Pharmacy, by Mr. Norm Wikelius, Outpatient Pharmacy Manager and Pharmacist-in-charge at the 1 North Pharmacy. The previously granted variance had to do with the fact that the walls of the 1 North Pharmacy do not extend to the true ceiling, but that the pharmacy is equipped with motion detectors. Again, Mr. Chuck Cooper was absent from the discussion and deliberations of this variance request. Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the previously granted variance relating to the security of the 1 North Pharmacy, at HCMC, be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The ninth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Hutchinson Community Hospital Pharmacy, by Ms. Dawn Hagen, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Hagen is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allowed the pharmacy to control sample medication storage and distribution in the hospital and to include non-adjointing space utilized by the pharmacy department as part of the licensed pharmacy area. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The tenth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Lakeview Hospital Pharmacy, by Ms. Cynthia Appleseth, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Appleseth is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows pharmacy technicians to accompany the charge nurse into the pharmacy, after regular pharmacy hours, in order to assist the nurse in finding the medication needed for hospital inpatients. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The eleventh request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Mayo Pharmacy, by Mr. Peter Bjerke, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Bjerke is requesting extensions of previously granted variances that allow Mayo Pharmacy to move some selective functions into a non-patient support area without having to obtain a second license, allow the Annex to act as a centralized support and prescription assembly facility to serve both Mayo Subway and Baldwin Pharmacies, and to utilize Mayo's automated process as a replacement for the required visual check of the original manufacturer's container from which medication was withdrawn for a given prescription. After discussing this request, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the previously granted variances be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The twelfth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Methodist Hospital Pharmacy, in Rochester, Minnesota, by Ms. Karen Bergrud, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Bergrud is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows the hospital pharmacy to utilize technicians in a ratio of five technicians to one pharmacist in their production/compounding pharmacy only. After discussing this request, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.



The thirteenth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was also submitted on behalf of Methodist Hospital Pharmacy, in Rochester, Minnesota, by Ms. Karen Bergrud, Pharmacist-in-charge. This request, however, also applies to St. Mary's Hospital Pharmacy in Rochester. The previously granted variance allows two pharmacy technicians to waste and witness leftover controlled-substance drugs returned to pharmacy from anesthesiology. Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The fourteenth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Nords Pharmacy, in Fosston, Minnesota, by Mr. John Nord, Pharmacist-in-charge. This previously granted variance allows Nords Pharmacy to prepackage medications for dispensing by physicians from Fosston at the Oklee Clinic, in Oklee, Minnesota. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The fifteenth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Omnicare-Minnesota Pharmacy, by Ms. Jeannette Haggerty, Consultant Coordinator. This previously granted variance allows nursing staff employed by Omnicare-Minnesota to assist Omnicare pharmacists with the monthly inventory of emergency kits at long term care facilities serviced by Omnicare. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The sixteenth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf by Mr. Paul Swan, Pharmacist-in-charge, of Pharmcare LLC, in Elbow Lake. The previously granted variance allows Mr. Swan to be the pharmacist-in-charge at both the Pharmcare Pharmacy and at the Grant County Healthcare Center. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The seventeenth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of PharMerica Pharmacy, by Ms. Cynthia Walker, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Walker is requesting two extensions on behalf of PharMerica. The first is a variance that allows PharMerica to provide an expanded emergency kit at the St. Louis Park Plaza Health Care Center. The second variance allows nurses, employed by PharMerica, to assist the pharmacists in checking and inventorying the emergency kits at various long-term care facilities serviced by PharMerica. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the previously granted variance relating to the expanded emergency kit at St. Louis Park Plaza Health Care Center be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the previously granted variance relating to nurses checking emergency kits be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The eighteenth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Rx Express Pharmacy, by Mr. Larry Lindberg, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Lindberg is seeking an extension of a previously granted variance that allows the pharmacy to accept returns

from assisted-living facilities under conditions similar to those required for returns from nursing homes. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Tom Dickson that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The nineteenth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of St. Elizabeth Hospital Pharmacy, in Wabasha, Minnesota, by Mr. Kurt Henn, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Henn is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance relating to emergency room dispensing by nurses in the absence of a physician or pharmacist. Mr. Henn indicates that, during the past year, this variance was not used due to an expanded group of physicians servicing the emergency department. However, the medical staff at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center would like to have a two-year extension with the understanding that, if they continue to not see a need for the variance, they will not request any additional extensions. Ms. Carol Peterson then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional two-year period of time. The motion passed.

The twentieth, and final, request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of St. Francis Regional Medical Center Pharmacy, in Shakopee, Minnesota, by Ms. Anne Larson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Larson is seeking an extension of a previously granted variance that allows the pharmacy to provide prepacked medication, for physician dispensing after regular pharmacy hours, at the Chaska Urgent Care Clinic. After discussing this request, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to new variance requests receiving their second reading. The first such request was submitted on behalf of Childrens Hospitals and Clinics, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Ms. Susan Bickmore, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Bickmore is requesting a variance from Minn. Rule 6800.1050, relating to various pieces of required equipment in licensed pharmacies. After, again, considering Ms. Bickmore's request, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the variance requested by Ms. Bickmore be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The second request, for a new variance, is an appeal by Ms. Bonnie Senst of the Board's previous decision to deny a variance request related to the use of matrix drawers in the automated medication dispensing system in use at Fairview University Medical Center. After discussing the additional information provided by Ms. Senst relating to the very limited use of matrix drawers in the automated dispensing units, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board reverse its previous decision and grant a one-year variance for the use of matrix drawers as outlined by Ms. Senst. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board some information brought to his attention by Board of Pharmacy surveyors relating to the OPUS-color coded airtight dispensing system, as it relates to the acceptance of returns from nursing homes. Mr. Holmstrom suggested that the Board take a second look at the OPUS system and determine whether it will continue to accept the return of medications from OPUS systems used in long term care facilities. The Board then directed Mr. Holmstrom to contact representatives of the maker of the OPUS system and invite them to appear at the Board's next meeting to discuss this issue.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a question he received from Board of Pharmacy inspectors relating to the labeling requirements for a new drug being marketed called Advair. Advair comes packaged in a sealed outer wrap which, when removed, begins the running of a 30-day expiration date for the product. Board rules require that pharmacy labels be placed on the immediate container of drugs being dispensed to the patient, which would normally require that the outer wrap on Advair be removed and a label applied to the inner container. This creates a problem in that, if the medication is not immediately started, the 30-day expiration date may expire before the medication is used. After discussing this issue, the Board took the position that, for this drug product only, pharmacists may place the label on the outer box.

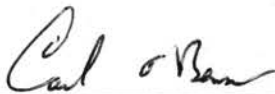
Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter and supporting materials submitted by Mr. Robert Furth, Director of Infusion Operations for Gentiva Health Services, in Eagan, Minnesota, requesting that the Board reconsider its decision taken at the July Board meeting regarding the use of certain order forms for home infusion products that contain Gentiva's name and address. After reviewing the information submitted by Mr. Furth, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board rescind its previous position and allow Gentiva Health Services to use the forms containing their name and address.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with the findings of the Legislative Auditor regarding the audit recently completed and the Board of Pharmacy's operations. The Board was pleased to find that the auditor did not issue any written findings requiring correction by the Board.

Ms. Carol Peterson, Mr. Chuck Cooper, Mr. Vern Kassekert, and Mr. David Holmstrom next described for the Board the very interesting tour of correctional facilities they participated in at the invitation of the Minnesota Department of Corrections.

Mr. Holmstrom next described, for the Board, the preparations being made at the Board of Pharmacy offices for the possibility of a strike by AFSCME and MAPE employees and indicated that he would keep the Board members informed of any issues that might arise in that regard.

There being no further business requiring action by the Board at this time, Ms. Lemberg adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:30 p.m.



PRESIDENT



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



# MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

## SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-FIRST MEETING

At approximately 9:00 a.m., October 24, 2001, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza Building, 2829 University Avenue Southeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. All members of the Board were in attendance. Also in attendance were the Board's Office Manager, Ms. Patricia Eggers, and Board Inspectors Mr. Les Kotek and Ms. Michele Boock.

After reviewing, revising, and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of September 19, 2001. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies, which it has received since its last meeting. The first such application was submitted on behalf of Coborn's Pharmacy, in Delano, Minnesota, by Mr. Marvin Moen, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy, and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Community Clinics Pharmacy – West Side, in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Mr. Dan Rehrauer, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Rehrauer is also requesting a variance in conjunction with this application for licensure. The variance relates to the size of the pharmacy and to an agreement that West Side Pharmacy will enter into, with Model Cities Pharmacy, for the dispensing of chronic medications. After carefully reviewing this application and variances associated with the application, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the variance relating to the size of the pharmacy be approved for a 14-month period of time and that the application for licensure then be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Goodrich St. Francis Pharmacy, in St. Francis, Minnesota, by Ms. Stephanie Davis, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The fourth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Olmsted Medical Center Pharmacy, in Rochester, Minnesota, by Mr. Paul Wittmer, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.



The fifth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Snyder's Drug Store, in Anoka, Minnesota, by Mr. Jerry Grooters, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The final application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Walgreens Pharmacy, in St. Anthony, Minnesota, by Mr. Gregory Berglund, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed with Mr. Vern Kassekert abstaining.

The Board next turned its attention to the performance of candidates, for licensure by examination, that have completed all parts of the June 2001 Board examination. For full Board examination candidates, the Board determined that, in grading the examinations, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical Examination weighted at 20% of the total, the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the following candidates be granted licensure as pharmacists:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Eun Joong Katherine Oh	7966	117371-6
Wade P. Nagel	7967	117370-3
Minh Van Nguyen	7969	117373-2
Suzanne E. Doerr	7973	117376-1
Denise Hull Champion	7976	117379-0
Donna Marie Todoroff	7979	117382-6

The Board next addressed itself to the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity that have taken the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination for Minnesota since the Board's last meeting. After a thorough review of the performance of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that, having passed the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
7968	Ruth Stanley	AL
7971	Jeffrey Kyle Slywka	MI
7972	Traci Diane Mapes	OH
7974	Tricia Renae Crowell	IN
7975	Judianne Cynthia Sligh	NY
7977	Justin Horst Anderson	IA
7978	Randell Gene Peterson	ME

The Board next entered a discussion on the establishment of a committee to preliminarily review variance requests and make recommendations to the full Board in the future. It is proposed that the Variance Review Committee operate in a manner similar to that of the Continuing Education Committee, where the primary review of variance requests would occur at the committee level and a summary of the variance, together with the committee's recommendation, would be forwarded to the full Board for action. This proposal would save a considerable amount of time at the meeting of the full Board, but would still provide those requesting variances an opportunity to personally address the members of the Variance Review Committee and, if dissatisfied with the decision of the Variance Review Committee, to make a presentation before the full Board.

It is proposed that standardized forms for requesting new variances and extensions of existing variances be used and that the Variance Review Committee be composed of two Board members, two Board inspectors, and the Board's Executive Director.

After reviewing the proposal for the establishment of the Variance Review Committee, and the proposed forms for use by the Committee, the Board decided to take the matter under consideration until its meeting of December 2001 and, if the decision is made to go forward with the proposal at that time, Board members will be identified to serve on the Committee.

The Board next turned its attention to variance requests that have been submitted to the Board since its last meeting. The Board first addressed new variance requests that are receiving their first reading. The first such request was submitted on behalf of the Alliance Clinic Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Ms. Kaye Fischer, Pharmacist-in-charge, and Ms. Kathleen Wickstrom, Clinic Director. Since this variance request was generated as a result of discussions with Ms. Fischer and Ms. Wickstrom at the Board's meeting of September 19, 2001, the Board determined that it would consider this to be the second reading of this request.

Alliance Clinic is requesting a variance to Board of Pharmacy Rule 6800.2150, which states that when the pharmacy is closed, or there is no pharmacist on duty, other individuals shall not be allowed access to the pharmacy. Alliance Clinic's Pharmacy needs to be accessed by nursing staff when the consulting pharmacist is not on duty to assure that the methadone can be both obtained and securely stored. The pharmacy holds no other retail medication other than the prescribed methadone, which is locked in vaults in the pharmacy area.

The pharmacy area is secured by a specifically coded keypad, which only licensed nurses and the pharmacist have access to. The interior of the pharmacy is equipped with a motion detector, vibration sensor, door contacts, and specific combinations to the vaults. Again, only the licensed nurses and pharmacists have that combination. Both the keypad code and the vault combination can be changed upon an employee's termination from the clinic. After a discussion of this proposal, and a discussion of a point made by Pharmacy Surveyor Stu Vandenberg that the pharmacist should be given a printout, on a regular basis, of all who enter the pharmacy during the pharmacists absence, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board grant the variance requested on a permanent basis upon condition that the Alliance Clinic provide the printouts to the pharmacist as was suggested by Inspector Vandenberg. The motion passed.

The next request for a new variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Community Clinic Pharmacy – West Side, by Mr. Jim Polucha, Director of Pharmacy Services at the four community clinics pharmacies. Mr. Polucha is requesting a variance that would allow Community Clinics Pharmacy – West Side to house manufacturer physician samples for the West Side Clinic. Under Mr. Polucha's proposal, the samples would be stored within the pharmacy in an area, specifically designated for samples, that is separate from the dispensing inventory at the pharmacy. When ordered by a physician, the pharmacist at Community Clinics Pharmacy – West Side would dispense the sample medications free of charge, but properly packaged and labeled.

In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request, the Board gave this request its first reading and will consider the variance for a second time at the Board's meeting of December 5, 2001. In the meantime, the Board requested that Mr. Holmstrom contact Mr. Polucha to obtain copies of the policies and procedures that will be followed relating to the handling of sample medications at Community Clinics Pharmacy – West Side.

The next request for a new variance receiving its first reading by the Board was submitted on behalf of Falls Memorial Hospital, by Ms. Mary Klimp, Chief Executive Officer. Ms. Klimp is requesting a variance to Minn. Rule 6800.7400, subp. 2, requiring five day a week on-site service by a pharmacist serving hospital pharmacies. Due to the full-time pharmacist at Falls Memorial Hospital leaving to take a new position, Falls Memorial will only have on-site pharmacist coverage for three days a week, eight hours a day, until such time as a new full-time pharmacist can be hired. After discussing this request and receiving additional information from Pharmacy Board Surveyor Les Kotek, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the variance requested by Ms. Klimp be approved for a six-month period of time. If an extension of the variance is necessary after that time, the Board will request feedback from Ms. Klimp on the efforts made to hire a full-time pharmacist and the ability of the part-time pharmacist to meet the hospital's needs. The motion passed.

The next request for a new variance to be given its first reading by the Board was submitted on behalf of Fairview University Medical Center – Riverside Campus, by Mr. Scott Knoer, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Knoer is requesting a variance that would allow the expansion of the Tech-Check-Tech program to include the verifying of batches of medications prepared for insertion into the Pyxis Automated Medication Distribution System at the hospital.



In discussing this request, the Board noted that it is identical to the request submitted on behalf of Fairview University Medical Center – University Campus, by Ms. Bonnie Senst, which is scheduled to receive its second reading. The Board next entered a discussion of the action it took in a similar variance request from the hospitals affiliated with the Mayo Clinic, in Rochester, Minnesota, and acted on by the Board at its January 2001 meeting. At that time, it was determined that the request by Mayo did not require a variance in that the bar coding technology being used was in compliance with the Board's guidelines and made the system foolproof.

The Board then requested that Ms. Senst and Mr. Knoer be invited to attend the Board's meeting in December to review the policies and procedures in place at the Fairview University Medical Center Campuses, so that a determination could be made whether a variance is even necessary here.

The Board next turned its attention to new variance requests receiving their second reading. The first request, for a new variance to receive its second reading, was submitted on behalf of Cuyuna Lakes Pharmacy, in Crosby, Minnesota, by Mr. Frank Ruzich, Pharmacist-in-charge, and by Mr. Bill Schommer, of Fairview Pharmacy Services. The Cuyuna Lakes proposal involves authorization to utilize the remote dispensing technology developed by Fairview to dispense medications to patients at the Longville Clinic, located in Longville, Minnesota, from the new Cuyuna Lakes Pharmacy, located in Crosby, Minnesota. Mr. Bill Schommer now, personally, appeared before the Board to discuss this request.

After discussing the Cuyuna Lakes Telepharmacy Project with Mr. Schommer, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the telepharmacy proposal be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The second request, for a new variance to receive its second reading, was also submitted by Mr. Bill Schommer, on behalf of Fairview Pharmacy Services, in Princeton, Minnesota. Specifically, Mr. Schommer is requesting authorization that would allow Fairview to utilize the ADDS automated dispensing system to dispense medications to patients in the ER/Urgent Care Department at the Princeton facility. The controlling pharmacy would be the hospital pharmacy at Fairview Southdale in Edina.

Mr. Schommer indicated the reason for the request is that there are many patients who are seen in either the ER or the Urgent Care Department at the Fairview Northland Hospital in Princeton after the retail pharmacy and the other pharmacies in town are closed. After a lengthy discussion with Mr. Schommer about the hours of proposed operation for the ADDS system, and the hours of operation of the other pharmacies in Princeton, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board table this proposal until the December Board meeting and, in the meantime, request that Mr. Holmstrom provide an opportunity for comment to the other pharmacies located in Princeton. The motion passed with Ms. Jean Lemberg abstaining.

The third request, for a new variance to receive its second reading, was also submitted by Fairview Pharmacy Services. Mr. Schommer, again, made himself available to discuss this request with the Board.



Fairview has a partnership with Ebenezer Park Apartments, an assisted-living community located in Minneapolis. Ebenezer would like Fairview Pharmacy Services to establish an OTC store for the convenience of their residents. In the process of discussing this proposal, the question arose as to whether or not Fairview could also arrange to have prescription medications delivered to this site for the residents and employees. The site would not, however, be licensed as a pharmacy. After discussing this issue with Mr. Schommer, and discussing the possibility of implementing a video link to provide patient to pharmacist conferencing at the OTC store, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Fairview request regarding the OTC store be approved, for a one-year period of time, on condition that the video link be established at that location. The motion passed.

The next request, for a new variance to receive its second reading, was submitted on behalf of Merwin's Long Term Care Pharmacy Services, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Stephen Langemo. Mr. Langemo is requesting a variance to Minn. Rule 6800.6100 and 6800.6700 pertaining to emergency kits in long term care facilities. Specifically, Mr. Langemo is requesting the opportunity to establish an emergency kit consisting of just two items, metronidazole tablets and zithromax tablets at the Hennepin County Home School in Minnetonka. After discussing this request, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the request by Mr. Langemo be denied in that it was the opinion of the Board that the treatment of STD in residents of the Hennepin County Home School is not an emergency situation and, if treatment was required, the medications could be delivered from a pharmacy. The motion passed.

The next request, for a new variance to receive its second reading, was submitted on behalf of Mille Lacs Health System Pharmacy, in Onamia, Minnesota, by Mr. Greg Steffenson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Steffenson was requesting a variance in order to provide coverage of the pharmacy on a part-time basis by local pharmacists in the event that full-time pharmacy coverage cannot be maintained. Mr. Steffenson is proposing that nurses at the facility, in cooperation with pharmacy technicians at the facility, be authorized to set up medications for checking by local pharmacists who would visit the facility at least twice a day.

After a lengthy discussion of this request, and after receiving input from Pharmacy Board Surveyor Les Kotek, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the proposal for pharmacy coverage made by Mr. Steffenson be approved for a six-month period of time. The motion passed.

The next request, for a new variance to receive its second reading, was submitted on behalf of SMDC Pharmacy Services, in Duluth, Minnesota, by Mr. William Grammond, Manager of Operations. Mr. Grammond is requesting authorization to establish a telepharmacy service to a Duluth Clinic facility in Remer, Minnesota, which would be operated through the St. Mary's Hospital Outpatient Pharmacy in Duluth.

After noting that there are no other pharmacies in Remer, or within 20 miles of Remer, and noting that the telepharmacy distribution system would be used only for new prescription orders, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the proposal made by Mr. Grammond be approved for a one-year period of time and that, if an extension is needed, SMDC be required to provide data regarding the extent to which the system was used and the extent to which any dispensing errors might have occurred. The motion passed.

The last request, for a new variance to receive its second reading, was also submitted on behalf of Thrifty White Pharmacy, in Hastings, Minnesota, by Mr. David Szatkowski, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Szatkowski is requesting a variance regarding the checking of the original container from which the medication is withdrawn during the certification steps of completing a prescription order. Thrifty White, in Hastings, is utilizing a robotic filling device that essentially prevents the checking of the original manufacturer's container under normal circumstances. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Szatkowski be approved for a one-year period of time.

At this time, Mr. Chuck Cooper introduced Mr. Richard Danila and Ms. Becky Weber, from the Minnesota Department of Health, and Mr. John VandeVoort, a pharmacist from Regents Hospital, and began a discussion of bioterrorism and the role pharmacists and the Board of Pharmacy will have to play in the event of a bioterrorist incident in Minnesota. During the discussion, the Board identified Executive Director David Holmstrom as being the contact person who would be involved in attempting to coordinate pharmacist activities in the event of such an incident.

At the conclusion of the presentation by Mr. Danila, the Board indicated that work should begin at the Board level to develop a disaster plan that could be implemented in the event of any type of natural or manmade disasters in Minnesota.

At the conclusion of the discussion, Mr. Chuck Cooper thanked Mr. Danila, Ms. Weber, and Mr. VandeVoort for their presentations and they departed from the meeting.

President Benson next began discussion of the package of potential rule changes being considered by the Board. Discussion focused on whether any portion of the potential rule change package might be controversial and whether potentially controversial sections should be separated out from the rest of the package prior to the publication of the notice of intent, or whether the Board should wait to see whether objections are raised during the public comment period. The decision was made to separate the potential change to Minn. Rule 6800.2150 from the remainder of the rule changes and to proceed with the rule changes in two packets. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded the following resolution:

“RESOLVED, that David E. Holmstrom, the Executive Director of the Board of Pharmacy, is hereby granted the authority and directed to sign and to give the Notice of the Board's Intent To Adopt Rules using Alternate Notices of whether a hearing will be held governing Pharmacy Practice Including Lighting Standards, Patient Counseling, Internship, Controlled Substance Rescheduling, Expiration Dates, and Lunch Breaks for Pharmacists, Minnesota Rules 6800.0100 et seq. to all persons who have registered their names with the Board for that purpose and publish the Notice and rules in the State Register, and to perform any and all acts incidental thereto.”

“FURTHER RESOLVED, that, if there are fewer than 25 outstanding hearing requests, Mr. Holmstrom, the Executive Director of the Board of Pharmacy, is hereby granted the authority and directed to sign the Order Adopting Rules and to perform any and all acts incidental thereto.”

“FURTHER RESOLVED, that, if there are 25 or more outstanding hearing requests, Mr. Holmstrom, the Executive Director of the Board of Pharmacy, is hereby granted the authority and directed to act as the Board’s representative at the hearing and to perform any and all acts incidental thereto.”

The motion passed.

There being no further business requiring action by the Board at this time, President Benson adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:00 p.m.



PRESIDENT



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

## SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-SECOND MEETING

At approximately 8:30 a.m., December 5, 2001, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met in the University Room, at the University Park Plaza Building, 2829 University Avenue Southeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. All members of the Board were in attendance. Also in attendance was the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom.

After reviewing, revising, and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of October 24, 2001. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed.

The first order of business, for the Board, was a review of the applications to conduct new pharmacies, which the Board has received since its last meeting. The first such application was submitted on behalf of Corner Medical Center Pharmacy, in Red Wing, Minnesota, by Mr. Marv Dyrstad, Owner, and Mr. Mark Cota, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Family Medical Clinic Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Mr. Charles Cooper, Pharmacist-in-charge. After noting that a variance relating to the security above the suspended ceiling was made part of the application, and after noting that a permanent PIC will be named for the pharmacy at a later date, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the variance relating to the security above the suspended ceiling be approved and that the application as a whole be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed with Mr. Chuck Cooper abstaining.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Sam's Pharmacy, in Maple Grove, Minnesota, by Mr. Michael McNulty, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, and after clarifying that Sam's Club Pharmacies are open to the general public, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure and with special attention being paid to the security of the licensed area and to the patient counseling area in the pharmacy. The motion passed.



The final application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Statscript Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Mr. Henry Blissenbach, Chief Executive Officer. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

At this time, the Board closed the meeting to the public and began a discussion of matters of a quasi-judicial nature.

The Board next turned its attention to the performance of candidates, for licensure by examination, that have completed all parts of the full Board examination process. For full Board examination candidates, the Board determined that, in grading the examinations, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical Examination weighted at 20% of the total, the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the following candidates be granted licensure as pharmacists:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Samuel Wagner	7984	117387-1
Samuel David Aadnes	7985	117388-4
Thu Nguyen	7987	117390-7

The Board next addressed itself to the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity that have taken the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination for Minnesota since the Board's last meeting. After a thorough review of the performance of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that, having passed the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
7980	Paula Elaine Jones	ND
7981	Patrick Joseph O'Neill	IA
7982	Jacob Michael Kusmak	SD
7983	Kristin Elizabeth Davis	MI
7986	Timothy John Larson	AZ
7988	Guhan D. Chari	IN
7989	Jo Ellen Hemink	NC
7990	John Peter Boysen	WI
7991	Forrest John Young	WI

At this time, Mr. Bruce Painter, Ms. Sandy Kenzie and Mr. Ray Glaser, from Wal-Mart Corporation, appeared before the Board to provide the Board with information regarding Wal-Mart's new "Connexus" pharmacy computer system.

After receiving Mr. Painter's presentation, the Board identified four areas where Wal-Mart's new system is not in compliance with the Board's current rules. Discussion then focused on potential variances for the following areas:

- 1) The quality assurance double-checks of new prescription orders;
- 2) The requirement that hard-copy prescriptions be filed by prescription number;
- 3) The requirement that the computer copy of new prescription orders be attached to the back of hard-copy prescriptions;
- 4) The requirement for documentation of the certification of the accuracy of all prescriptions being dispensed

After a thorough discussion of these points, Mr. Painter agreed that Wal-Mart Pharmacies in Minnesota could perform the quality assurance check at the time of the first refill and that they would inform their Minnesota pharmacies to do so. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that Wal-Mart be authorized to file prescriptions by date, rather than by prescription number, and that Wal-Mart not be required to put the computer copy of prescriptions on the back of original hard-copy prescriptions, and that the issue of certification documentation be left unresolved until Board of Pharmacy inspectors have an opportunity to look at a test system at a Minnesota Wal-Mart Pharmacy after the beginning of the year, and that Mr. Painter, Ms. Kenzie, and Mr. Glaser be invited back to further discuss the operation of Wal-Mart's new system in June of 2003. The motion passed.

At this time, Mr. Stuart Vandenberg, Pharmacy Board Surveyor, who was scheduled to provide the Board with a report on his attendance at the NASCSA meeting, indicated that in the interest of time he would provide the Board with a written summary of the meeting.

At this time, Ms. Lisa Ganske and Mr. Jim Heimer, from Fairview Pharmacy Systems, appeared before the Board to discuss Fairview's electronic-prescribing system and to discuss the issue of how electronically transmitted prescriptions for controlled substances should be handled until such time as DEA formally adopts its rules relating to electronic transmission of controlled substance prescriptions.

Ms. Ganske and Mr. Heimer indicated that currently Fairview's system of electronic prescribing generates a fax, which is sent to the pharmacy of the person's choice. At that point, the pharmacy would enter the information into the pharmacy's computer system. In the future, however, Fairview intends to develop a system that would electronically transmit prescription information directly to the pharmacy's computer. At the conclusion of the presentation by Ms. Ganske and Mr. Heimer, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board take the following position:

"If the pharmacist is comfortable in dealing with a particular physician, the pharmacist can accept electronically generated prescriptions received via fax for Schedule III, IV and V substances, as oral prescriptions; but, if the pharmacist is unfamiliar with the physician, or if they were uncomfortable with the

circumstances surrounding the transmittal of any individual prescription, the pharmacist should call the physician to verify the order.” The motion passed.

At this time, Ms. Julie Johnson, CEO of the Minnesota Pharmacists Association, appeared before the Board to discuss a legislative initiative being developed by MPhA that would modify the Pharmacy Practice Act to give pharmacists the authority to administer immunizations to adult patients. Ms. Johnson is requesting the Board’s support for this initiative. At the conclusion of Ms. Johnson’s presentation, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to put the issue on the Board’s agenda for further discussion at the meeting of January 9, 2002.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a list of continuing education programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force between the dates of September 12 and November 13, 2001. After reviewing the list of programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that those programs recommended for approval be so approved and that those programs for which denial of approval was recommended be denied. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the issue of variances. The first issue relating to variances was the establishment of a committee for handling variances and the modification of the variance request form that had been developed by Board of Pharmacy surveyors. The Board first reviewed the variance request form and approved the form as it is now structured. The committee next began discussion of the establishment of a variance committee and decided that the make-up of the variance committee would be addressed at the January meeting, when committee membership on the Board’s other standing committees is determined.

The Board next turned its attention to new variance requests receiving their first reading. The first such variance request was submitted on behalf of Community Memorial Hospital Pharmacy, in Winona, Minnesota, by Mr. Grant Schuth, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Schuth is requesting a variance that would allow him to temporarily be the pharmacist-in-charge at both the hospital pharmacy and the affiliated and attached Parkview Pharmacy. The current pharmacist-in-charge at Parkview Pharmacy has accepted another position and is leaving. Mr. Schuth requests the opportunity to be pharmacist-in-charge at both pharmacies until a new PIC can be hired for Parkview. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its operating policy of requiring two readings for new variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board approve the variance requested by Mr. Schuth for a period of time up to six months, as long as Parkview is actively recruiting a regular pharmacist-in-charge. The motion passed.

The second request for a new variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Southside Pharmacy, Model Cities Pharmacy, West Side Community Health Services Pharmacy, and North End Pharmacy, by Mr. Jim Polucha, Director of Pharmacy Services. Mr. Polucha is requesting a variance, which would exempt these pharmacies from the requirement that pharmacies compound prescriptions when necessary. Mr. Polucha is requesting the exemption due to the small size and limited clientele of these pharmacies.



Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the Board suspend its requirement for two readings for new variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Polucha be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a new variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of First Care Medical Services, in Fosston, Minnesota, by Mr. John Nord, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Nord is requesting a variance, which would designate the director of nursing and the senior unit manager at First Care Medical Services to be registered as pharmacy technicians and to perform certain duties in the pharmacy at times when the pharmacist is not present and on duty.

In adhering to its policy requiring two readings for new variance requests, the Board took this request into consideration and will give it its second reading at the Board's meeting of January 9, 2002. In the meantime, Mr. Holmstrom was directed to attempt to obtain additional information from Pharmacist Nord regarding the hours that pharmacist coverage is available at the hospital pharmacy.

At this time, the Board turned its attention to new variance requests receiving their second reading. The first such request involved a request for approval of a telepharmacy dispensing system located at the Fairview Northland Clinic, in Princeton, Minnesota, and connected to the pharmacy at Fairview Southdale Hospital, in Edina. At this time, Mr. Bill Schommer and Mr. Robert Beecher, both from Fairview Pharmacy Services, appeared before the Board to address the issue and answer questions.

The telepharmacy project is proposed for operation from 9:00 p.m. until midnight, Monday through Friday, and from noon until 10:00 p.m., on Saturday and Sunday. Several of the existing pharmacies in Princeton provided input to the Board on the effect approval of the telepharmacy proposal would have on their business. All of the pharmacies supported the Monday through Friday operation of the telepharmacy project, but the Saturday and Sunday hours drew less support.

Mr. Schommer and Mr. Beecher indicated that each patient seen in the Urgent Care Clinic receives a written prescription. It is then up to the patient whether they want to take that written prescription to a local pharmacy or have the prescription faxed to Fairview Southdale Hospital Pharmacy by staff at the Urgent Care Clinic thereby initiating the telepharmacy system.

After thoroughly discussing this issue with Mr. Schommer and Mr. Beecher, and after reviewing the written comments provided by pharmacists in the Princeton area, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the telepharmacy proposal be approved. The motion passed.

The next request for a new variance receiving its second reading was submitted on behalf of West Side Community Health Services Pharmacy, by Mr. Jim Polucha, Director. Mr. Polucha is requesting a variance that would allow sample medications at the West Side Community Health Services Clinic to be stored in and dispensed from the pharmacy. After, again, reviewing the policies and procedures established by Mr. Polucha for the regulation of sample drugs at the



clinic, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Polucha be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

At this time, Mr. Mark Keffeler, President and CEO of Opus Unit Dose Systems, and Ms. Wendy Jensen, from Opus, Mr. Dan Koski, a St. Paul pharmacist utilizing Opus, and Mr. Robert Stitch, attorney for Opus, appeared before the Board to discuss the features of the Opus Unit Dose System as it relates to moisture permeability and tamper evidence.

After thoroughly discussing the Opus System, and the policy and procedures followed by pharmacists who use the Opus System, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board continue to accept the Opus System for return of medications from nursing homes and that the return of medications can be approved by the Board without requiring each individual pharmacist using the Opus System to conduct moisture permeability tests on the packaging. The motion passed with Ms. Jean Lemberg abstaining.

The Board next began discussion of requests for extensions of previously granted variances. The first request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Red Wing Corner Drug, in Red Wing, Minnesota, by Mr. Bob Goetz, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Goetz is requesting an extension of a variance, which allows nurses, employed by Red Wing Corner Drug as pharmacy technicians, to take new prescription orders over the telephone. Red Wing Corner Drug has been using nurse/technicians to receive new prescription orders since 1993 and reports that no errors have been attributable to this policy in the eight years that it has been in place. After discussing this extension request, the Board deferred final action on the request and directed Mr. Holmstrom to obtain more information from Mr. Goetz.

The second request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of St. John's Hospital Pharmacy, in Maplewood, Minnesota, by Ms. Linda Benson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Benson is requesting the continuation of a variance, which allows HealthEast Diabetes Care nurses to dispense legend and non-legend insulin samples in the course of their training of newly diagnosed diabetic patients. After discussing this request for an extension, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The third request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Lakeview Hospital Pharmacy, in Stillwater, Minnesota, by Ms. Cynthia Appleseth, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Appleseth is requesting an extension of a variance, which allows the pharmacy to furnish portable containers of medications to hospice and home care nurses, which contain controlled substance drugs.

After discussing this request for an extension, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The final request for an extension of a previously granted variance also requests a modification of the variance. This request is submitted on behalf of Mille Lacs Health System Pharmacy, in Onamia, Minnesota, by Mr. Greg Steffenson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mille Lacs Health System Pharmacy had been previously granted a variance that allowed nurses at the facility to prepare medications for administration in the pharmacy during hours that a pharmacist

was not present and on duty, but which were checked by a local pharmacist before being transported to the floors for administration to the patients. Mille Lacs is now in the process of hiring a pharmacist who is not yet licensed to practice in Minnesota and Mr. Steffenson is requesting that the pharmacist be allowed to act as a pharmacy technician in setting up doses of medication and to have those doses checked by a Minnesota licensed pharmacist before being released for administration to the patient. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board approve the proposal by Mr. Steffenson for the use of the California-licensed pharmacist in the manner proposed through the end of January of 2002. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Canadian-pharmacist Sheila Lightly. Ms. Lightly is requesting Board approval for her practical experience as a pharmacist intern and as a pharmacist in Canada for purposes of meeting the Board's 1500-hour internship requirement. Ms. Lightly then hopes to qualify to sit for the Board examination in Minnesota. After reviewing the practical experience obtained by Ms. Lightly, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board accept these hours as fully meeting the Board's 1500-hour internship requirement. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Canadian-pharmacist Natalie McLeish. Ms. McLeish is requesting Board approval for her practical experience as a pharmacist intern and as a pharmacist in Canada for purposes of meeting the Board's 1500-hour internship requirement. Ms. McLeish then hopes to qualify to sit for the Board examination in Minnesota. After reviewing the practical experience obtained by Ms. McLeish, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board accept these hours as fully meeting the Board's 1500-hour internship requirement. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Canadian-pharmacist David McLeish. Mr. McLeish is requesting Board approval for his practical experience as a pharmacist intern and as a pharmacist in Canada for purposes of meeting the Board's 1500-hour internship requirement. Mr. McLeish then hopes to qualify to sit for the Board examination in Minnesota. After reviewing the practical experience obtained by Mr. McLeish, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board accept these hours as fully meeting the Board's 1500-hour internship requirement. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board an e-mail message from Ms. Judith Andersen regarding the labeling and cleaning of various medical inhalers. After a brief discussion of the points raised by Ms. Andersen, the issue was tabled until the January meeting.

Mr. Holmstrom next provided the Board with an update on the rule-making process and the current status of the Board's package of proposed rule changes.

Mr. Holmstrom next reminded the Board that they had discussed the possibility of establishing a veterinary pharmacy ad hoc task force to look at the issue of licensure for veterinary retailers. After a brief discussion, the Board determined that the make-up of a veterinary pharmacy task force should be deferred to the January meeting, when membership on all of the Board's committees and task forces is considered.

Mr. Holmstrom next requested that the Board consider what is acceptable in the way of a patient-counseling area in Minnesota pharmacies that provides an assurance of privacy for the pharmacist-patient conversations. The Board suggested that the first step in addressing this issue could be associated with applications to conduct new pharmacies and directed Mr. Holmstrom to request that the pharmacist-in-charge of each new pharmacy be requested to describe the patient-counseling area and the policies and procedures of the new pharmacy relating to patient counseling and submit that information to the Board with the pharmacy's application for licensure.

Mr. Holmstrom next provided the Board with an e-mail from Mr. Douglas Hynek regarding the reinstatement of his license to practice pharmacy in Minnesota. The Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to inform Mr. Hynek that his Minnesota license could be reinstated upon completion of the five conditions for reinstatement generally applicable to those pharmacists who have not continued in active practice outside of Minnesota, and whose licenses have lapsed for longer than two years.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with information from the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy regarding the partial participation by the state of Florida in NABP's licensure transfer program. NABP has announced that Florida will now accept pharmacists from other states for licensure in Florida if that pharmacist has obtained a passing score on the NAPLEX Examination, not more than twelve years prior to their application for licensure in Florida. NABP is now asking for input from the various states as to whether, given the restrictions on license transfer imposed by Florida, licensed pharmacists from Florida would be accepted for licensure through the licensure transfer program. After a brief discussion of the issues, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that Minnesota will not accept Florida pharmacists for licensure in Minnesota through the licensure transfer program until Florida removes the conditions of acceptance for Minnesota-licensed pharmacists seeking licensure in Florida. The motion passed.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, President Benson adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:00 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## **Minnesota Board of Pharmacy**

### **SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-THIRD MEETING**

At approximately 8:00 a.m., January 8, 2002, the Board of Pharmacy met at the Minneapolis Convention Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of administering a Written Practical Examination in prescription compounding and errors and omissions. All members of the Board, with the exception of Mr. Tom Dickson and Mr. Vern Kassekert, were in attendance. Also in attendance were the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom, and the Board's Pharmacy Surveyors, Mr. Stuart Vandenberg, Mr. Leslie Kotek, Mr. Byron Opstad, Ms. Candice Fleming, and Ms. Michele Boock.

The following candidates, who have met all of the required prerequisites and who have presented properly executed applications, were present to write the examination administered as part of the Full Board Examination process:

**LEAH A. BUETTNER  
ANGELA T. CHAMPION  
KARLIE M. DOUGLAS  
YIMING A. JAN  
MARIA C. KENNY  
DAVID E. MCLEISH**

**NATALIE C. MCLEISH  
FARROKH MOUNES TOUSSI  
CHINWE C. NTEKIM  
DENNIS J. O'BRIEN  
DAVID J. WARNKE**

The following retake candidates were also present to write the examination:

**RYAN M. CASSITY  
TU-KHANH N. HOANG  
PATTY A. COLVIN**

The following reinstatement candidates were also present to write the examination:

**EARL J. POIRIER  
DAVID SUNDBERG  
KENNETH STENGLEIN**

At approximately 8:30 a.m., January 9, 2002, the Board met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza, 2829 University Avenue Southeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. All members of the Board were in attendance. Also in attendance was the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom, and the Board's Legal Counsel, Mr. Robert Holley.

After reviewing, amending, and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of December 5, 2001. Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Minutes of the meeting of December 5, 2001, be approved as written. The motion passed.



The Board next turned its attention to the election of officers for the coming year. For the Office of President, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved to nominate Ms. Carol Peterson, and Mr. Chuck Cooper moved to nominate Mr. Vern Kassekert. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed and Mr. Vern Kassekert was elected to the Office of President.

For the Office of Vice President, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved to nominate Ms. Carol Peterson. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed and Ms. Carol Peterson was elected to the Office of Vice President by a unanimous ballot.

For the position of Executive Director, Ms. Betty Johnson moved that Mr. David Holmstrom be continued as the Executive Director of the Board of Pharmacy. Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded the nomination. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed and Mr. Holmstrom was elected to continue as Executive Director by a unanimous ballot.

For the position of Assistant Director for Administrative Affairs, Ms. Carol Peterson moved that Ms. Patricia Eggers be continued as the Assistant Director for Administrative Affairs. Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded the nomination. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed and Ms. Eggers was elected to the position of Assistant Director for Administrative Affairs by a unanimous ballot.

At this time, Mr. Benson turned over the presidency of the Board to Mr. Kassekert. Mr. Kassekert assumed the position of President, and recognized the service to the Board by Mr. Benson.

The next item to come before the Board was the issue of continued membership in the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy. After a brief review of the many benefits derived from membership in NABP, including participation in the nation-wide reciprocity system of license transfer, established through NABP, the availability of the nationally-utilized NAPLEX and Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examinations, and participation in the National Disciplinary Clearinghouse, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board again renew its membership in NABP. The motion passed.

The Board next discussed its intention to maintain the requirement of graduation from an approved college of pharmacy in order to qualify to take the Board's licensing examination. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Carl Benson seconded that the Board approve and adopt, as its own, the current accreditation standards of the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education (ACPE), and the current accreditation standards of the Canadian Council for Accreditation of Pharmacy Programs; and that the Board adopt the lists of approved colleges of pharmacy, published by ACPE and, when the curriculum is taught in English, by CCAPP, as the list of colleges from which the Board will accept graduates as candidates for licensure. The colleges, so listed, have proven their compliance with the above-mentioned accreditation standards. The motion passed.

The Board next discussed its intention to accept, as candidates for licensure, foreign pharmacy graduates who have met the required English Proficiency Standards and Equivalency of Education Standards, established in Minnesota Statutes 151.10, Subdivision 2. These candidates have been examined and certified by the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Examination Commission. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board approve and adopt, as its own, those standards for certification established by the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Examination Commission, and accept, as meeting those standards, only those graduates who have been properly certified by the Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Examination Commission. The motion passed.

President Kassekert next began a discussion of appointments to the Board's standing committees. After a brief discussion, however, the decision was made to delay naming specific committee members until the February meeting. In the meantime, members were encouraged to contact Mr. Kassekert with their committee preferences.

The Board next turned its attention to matters of a quasi-judicial nature. The first item of a quasi-judicial nature to come before the Board was the presentation, by Mr. Robert Holley, Legal Counsel for the Board, of a proposed order of revocation of the pharmacist license of Ms. Jeannette A. Stock, pursuant to the requirements of Minnesota Statutes 270.72, Subdivision 1. Mr. Carl Benson then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the Board revoke the license of Ms. Stock, in accordance with the above-cited statutory section and that Mr. Holmstrom be authorized to sign the order of revocation on the Board's behalf. The motion passed.

Mr. Holley then presented to the Board a proposal that the Board delegate to Mr. Holmstrom authority to revoke and reinstate licenses to practice pharmacy in cases involving tax delinquency and child support delinquency brought to the Board, under Minnesota Statutes 270.72. In that the statute requires action by the Board within 30 days, it might not be possible for the Board, as a whole, to meet and take action within the statutorily required 30-day period. As a result, in order to meet the statutory requirements, it may be necessary for Mr. Holmstrom to act on the Board's behalf. Mr. Holley then presented to the Board proposed language to accomplish such delegation. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board accept Mr. Holley's proposal and that Mr. Holmstrom be authorized to revoke and reinstate licenses in tax and child support delinquency cases. The motion passed.

At this time, the Board returned to its open business session.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies it has received since its last meeting. The first application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Cub Pharmacy in Forest Lake, Minnesota, by Ms. Kristin Norland, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application, and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, and noting that the pharmacy has already been inspected by Pharmacy Board Surveyor Michele Boock, Mr. Carl Benson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Cub Pharmacy in Roseville, Minnesota, by Mr. Patrick O'Neill, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application, and the diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Carl Benson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with Pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Hennepin Faculty Associates Addiction Medicine Clinic, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Mr. Doug Darling, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application, and the diagram of the proposed pharmacy, and noting that Mr. Darling is also requesting a variance, which would allow him to be Pharmacist-in-charge at this pharmacy as well as at an already existing pharmacy, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Mr. Carl Benson seconded that both the variance request and the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with Pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed with Mr. Chuck Cooper abstaining.

The fourth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Walgreens Pharmacy, in Lakeville, Minnesota, by Ms. Trudy Matthys, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application, and the diagram of the proposed pharmacy, and noting that the pharmacy has already been inspected by Pharmacy Board Surveyor Candice Fleming, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the application be approved and a license issued. The motion passed.

The fifth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Wal-Mart Pharmacy, in Bemidji, Minnesota, by Mr. Michael McNulty, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application, and the diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with Pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure, with particular attention being paid to the adequacy of the patient counseling area, and subject also to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy. The motion passed.

The sixth and final application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of RedPharm Pharmacy, in Robbinsdale, Minnesota, by Mr. David Smith, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application, and the diagram of the proposed pharmacy, and noting that variances were requested regarding the patient consultation area, reference books, and the pharmacy equipment, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Carl Benson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with Pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure and that the variances requested by Mr. Smith also be approved as long as the business plan, which currently involves the pharmacy doing only re-packaging of medications for use in InstyMed Automated Dispensing machines does not change. The motion passed.



The Board next addressed itself to the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity who have taken the Reciprocity/Jurisprudence Exam since the Board's last meeting. After a thorough review of the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Mr. Carl Benson moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that having passed the Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

CERTIFICATE #	NAME	STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE
7992	DOUGLAS LEE BOUWMAN	IA
7993	KELLY LYMAN BEAUDOIN	CT
7994	MELISSA ANN SCHREIFELS	NE
7995	DALE EUGENE SMITH	MO

The Board next turned its attention to the review of variance requests that have been submitted to the Board since its last meeting. The Board first addressed itself to new variance requests receiving their first reading. The first such request was submitted on behalf of HFA Addiction Medicine Clinic, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Mr. Doug Darling, Pharmacist-in-charge. Because this pharmacy is a Methadone program pharmacy, handling only two drugs, Mr. Darling is requesting variances relating to the requirement for a refrigerator, the requirement for a prescription balance and weights, and the requirement for stirring rods, spatulas, and other equipment. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for variance requests, and consider this request immediately. The motion passed.

Ms. Johnson and Mr. Dickson then moved that the variances requested by Mr. Darling be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed with Mr. Chuck Cooper abstaining.

The next request for a variance was submitted on behalf of ShopKo Pharmacy, in Winona, Minnesota, by Mr. Tom Williams, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Williams is requesting a variance relating to the use of Baker Cell cassettes in the dispensing process at ShopKo. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it its second reading at the Board's meeting of February 20, 2002. In the meantime, the Board requested that Mr. Holmstrom send a copy of the newly developed variance form and newly developed guidelines on the use of automated dispensing machines to Mr. Williams.

The Board next turned its attention to requests for new variances receiving their second readings. The first such variance request was submitted on behalf of First Care Medical Services, in Fosston, Minnesota, by Mr. John Nord, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Nord is requesting a variance that would allow the Director of Nursing or the Senior Unit Manager, who would be registered as pharmacy technicians, to fill medication orders as prescribed on the physician order sheet of the institution, at times when the pharmacist was not physically present



and on duty. The prescribed medications would be placed in a designated spot in the pharmacy for checking later by the pharmacist. No medications would leave the pharmacy until the pharmacist had confirmed the accuracy.

After discussion, during which the difficulty faced by small hospital pharmacies was discussed, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Nord be approved for a one-year period of time, on condition the technicians be limited to the Director of Nursing or Senior Unit Manager as proposed. The motion passed.

At this time, Ms. Bonnie Senst, Mr. Scott Knoer, and a pharmacy technician and pharmacy resident from Fairview-University Medical Center, appeared before the Board to discuss a variance request receiving its second reading. Ms. Senst and Mr. Knoer are requesting a variance for using the current Tech-Check-Tech validation process established for Tech-Check-Tech programs used in unit-dose dispensing systems, in the drug-picking portion of the process of preparing medications for loading into the Pyxis Automated Distribution System.

After a lengthy discussion involving the use of technicians in this role and the use of barcode technology, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the variance requested by Ms. Senst and Mr. Knoer be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to a review of requests for extensions of previously granted variances. The first such request was submitted on behalf of PharMerica Pharmacy, in Fridley, Minnesota, by Ms. Joan Lucas, Consultant Pharmacist. Ms. Lucas is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows an expanded Emergency Kit to be used at Hillcrest Healthcare of Wayzata. After reviewing this request, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Carl Benson seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The second request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Rx Express Pharmacy, in Blaine, Minnesota, by Ms. Deborah Frazey, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Frazey is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows Rx Express to accept returns from assisted-living facilities. After reviewing this request, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Mr. Carl Benson seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

At this time, Ms. Julie Johnson, Executive Vice-President and CEO of the Minnesota Pharmacists Association, appeared before the Board to request the Board's support of proposed legislation which would allow properly-trained and certified pharmacists to administer immunizations to adult patients.

Ms. Johnson explained that the participation by pharmacists in an immunization program would be strictly voluntary and that the pharmacist would first need to be trained and certified. All immunizations would be conducted under protocols with a collaborating physician. After a thorough discussion of the issues involved, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board support this initiative by MPhA. The motion passed with Ms. Carol Peterson voting in opposition and Ms. Jean Lemberg abstaining.

The Board next entered a discussion of potential dates for a strategic planning retreat. Wednesday, March 6th, was identified as a potential date and Mr. Holmstrom was directed to make plans accordingly.

Mr. Holmstrom next provided the Board with information regarding potential legislation concerning plans for dealing with a bioterrorism event in Minnesota. Mr. Holmstrom also updated the Board on the status of the rulemaking process currently underway. No action was required, nor taken, by the Board.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with a draft of guidelines regarding the use of automated counting machines in pharmacies that were developed by Board of Pharmacy Surveyors. After making a minor revision to the guidelines, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the Board approve these guidelines as amended. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Pharmacist Judith Andersen regarding the labeling, use, and cleaning of inhalers. Ms. Andersen's letter expressed concern that placement of the pharmacy label directly on an inhaler made it more difficult for the patient to properly clean the inhaler after using it.

After discussing the labeling options for inhalers and other similar type devices, the Board took the position that the method of labeling of these devices is an area of professional judgment for the pharmacist and the pharmacist should exercise their judgment in light of their knowledge of the patient, the patient's background, and the unique physical properties of the inhaler in determining how best to label it.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, President Kassekert adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:15 p.m.

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PRESIDENT

  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

### SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-FOURTH MEETING

At approximately 8:30 a.m., February 20, 2002, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza Building, 2829 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. In attendance were Ms. Carol Peterson, Vice President, Ms. Jean Lemberg, Mr. Chuck Cooper, Mr. Tom Dickson, and newly-appointed Board member Gary Schneider. Also in attendance was the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom, and the Board's Legal Counsel, Mr. Robert Holley. Absent were Mr. Vern Kassekert, Board President, and Ms. Betty Johnson.

Vice President Peterson opened the meeting by welcoming Mr. Schneider to his first meeting as a member of the Board.

After reviewing, amending and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of January 8, 2002. After correcting a typographical error on page 1 of the minutes, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the minutes be approved as amended. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies, which it has received since its last meeting. The first such application was submitted on behalf of Cub Pharmacy, in Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota, by Ms. Deborah Kohlmann, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Gary Schneider moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Herman Pharmacy, in Herman, Minnesota, by Mr. Stanley Gallagher, Pharmacist-in-charge. After noting that a diagram of the proposed pharmacy was not included with the application and noting also that Pharmacist Gallagher is also a physician in Herman, Minnesota, the Board did not take final action on this application and directed Mr. Holmstrom to contact Dr. Gallagher for additional information.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Hy-Vee Pharmacy, in Winona, Minnesota, by Ms. Gina Anderson, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The fourth application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of MAPS Pharmacy, in Coon Rapids, Minnesota, by Mr. Jon Jordahl, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure and with special attention being paid to staffing and security issues. The motion passed.

The fifth application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Syncor International Corporation, in Duluth, Minnesota, by Mr. Brian Shimley, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy and noting that Syncor is a nuclear pharmacy and is also applying for licensure as a drug wholesaler, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The sixth application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Walgreens Pharmacy, in Coon Rapids, Minnesota, by Mr. David Klinkenberg, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure and with special attention being paid to the adequacy of the patient-counseling area. The motion passed.

The seventh and final application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Wal-Mart Pharmacy, in Blaine, Minnesota, by Mr. Kelly Dick, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure and with special attention being paid to the adequacy of the patient-counseling area. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter received from Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager of Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting that the Board provide her with some guidance as to whether it would consider issuing additional pharmacy and wholesale drug distributor licenses to a Fairview location already licensed as both a pharmacy and a drug wholesaler.



Fairview Pharmacy Services is looking to expand wholesale pharmacy services to provide legend drugs to non-Fairview physician/dental/veterinary clinics. Because Fairview Health Services is a non-profit corporation, and they want to ensure compliance with the Prescription Drug Marketing Act, Fairview wishes to provide this expanded service under a separate pharmacy and wholesale distributor license. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to contact Ms. Ganske and suggest that Fairview submit specific applications for licensure and a thorough explanation of what is precisely being proposed. The Board will then determine whether it can approve the applications.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a report from Board of Pharmacy inspectors regarding an on-site inspection of the proposed RedPharm Pharmacy in Robbinsdale, Minnesota. RedPharm was granted preliminary approval by the Board at the meeting of January 2002, but licensure was made contingent on the successful completion of an on-site inspection. The on-site inspection has now been completed and it is the opinion of the Board inspectors that RedPharm should more appropriately be licensed as a drug manufacturer/repackager. After thoroughly discussing this issue, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Gary Schneider seconded that the Board withdraw its previous approval of the pharmacy license application for RedPharm and that Mr. Holmstrom inform the principals involved that it appears that licensure as a manufacturer/repackager is more appropriate given the functions that are proposed for the facility. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board blueprints of a proposed remodeling of the Swift County-Benson Hospital, in Benson, Minnesota, wherein the new area proposed for occupancy as a pharmacy consists of three rooms, only two of which adjoin each other, thus, making it difficult to identify a "licensed area." After reviewing the proposed blueprints, the Board determined that the two adjoining rooms could be licensed as the main pharmacy and the non-adjoining room could be considered a pharmacy satellite. The Board thus directed Mr. Holmstrom to indicate to the architects involved that the remodeling plan is acceptable.

The Board now addressed itself to matters of a quasi-judicial nature and temporarily closed the meeting to the public.

The first item of a quasi-judicial nature addressed by the Board was an appearance before the Board of Pharmacist Christian Lintner who is now completing his probation with the Board. After discussing the requirements of his probation with Mr. Lintner and observing that Mr. Lintner has fulfilled all of the requirements of probation, the Board acknowledged the successful completion of probation and directed Mr. Holmstrom to write to Mr. Lintner acknowledging that fact.

Mr. Holley next presented to the Board documents relating to the delegation of authority from the Board to Mr. Holmstrom to act on the Board's behalf to revoke, suspend, and reinstate licenses in future tax and child support delinquency cases. After a discussion of the issues involved and after noting the mandatory nature of such revocations, suspensions, and reinstatements, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the delegation documents prepared by Mr. Holley be approved and that Mr. Holmstrom be delegated the authority to expeditiously act on tax and child support delinquency cases. The motion passed.

The Board now returned to its open session.

At this time, Mr. William Appel and Ms. Sandra Smilanich appeared before the Board to discuss, in the concept, a new type of pharmacy ownership, which they are developing. Mr. Appel and Ms. Smilanich were seeking guidance from the Board as to whether or not the Board would consider the types of arrangements being contemplated as being in violation of Board laws or rules. After thoroughly discussing the proposed concept, the Board indicated to Mr. Appel and Ms. Smilanich that the concept being proposed does not appear to be in violation of Board laws or rules.

At this time, Mr. Todd Sorensen, Assistant Professor at the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy, and Mr. Andrew Schmutzler, a pharmacy student, appeared before the Board to share data that was accumulated during a pharmacist immunization pilot project, for which Mr. Sorensen provided oversight and guidance.

After receiving and discussing the information presented by Mr. Sorensen, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to respond to a letter the Board received from State Representative Kevin Goodno objecting to the Board's previous approval of the immunization pilot project.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a list of continuing education programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force between the dates of November 14, 2001, and January 15, 2002. After reviewing the list of programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that those programs recommended for approval be so approved, and that those programs for which denial of approval was recommended be denied. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the performance of candidates for licensure by examination that have now completed all parts of the January 2002 Board Examination. For Full Board Examination candidates, the Board determined that in grading the examinations, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical Examination weighted at 20% of the total, the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Gary Schneider seconded that the following candidates be granted licensure as pharmacists:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Farrokh M. Toussi	8003	117403-2
Leah Buettner	8004	117405-8
Tu-Khanh Hoang	8005	117406-1
Brent Erroll Penner	8006	117407-4
David James Warnke	8007	117408-7

The Board next addressed itself to the performance of candidates for licensure by reciprocity who have taken the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination for Minnesota since the Board's last meeting. After a thorough review of the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Gary Schneider seconded that, having passed the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
7996	James Salvatore Tarantola	NY
7999	Jennifer Ann Watson	OR
8000	Jason Jay Sloan	ND
8001	Wendy Sue Lincicum	IA
8002	Donald Elvon Nickels	KS
8008	Allison Rose Albright	NE
8009	Adrian Del Robinson	KS
8010	Hanne Sanders Kirstein	MS
8011	Rachel Amalee Bateman	CO
8012	Cara A. Chermak	WI

The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to variance requests that have been submitted to the Board since its last meeting. The Board first addressed new variance requests that are receiving their first reading. The first such request to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Divine Providence Health Center, in Ivanhoe, Minnesota, by Ms. Kathryn Davidson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Davidson is requesting a variance that would allow Divine Providence Health Center to stock prepackaged medications at Divine Providence Clinic in Minneota, Minnesota for dispensing by physicians. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request, the Board gave Ms. Davidson's request its first reading and will consider the variance again at the Board's meeting of March 20, 2002.

The second variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Fairview Northland – Elk River Pharmacy, in Elk River, Minnesota, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager of Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting a variance from the established ratios of pharmacy technicians in that Fairview Northland – Elk River prepares patient specific prescriptions for inmates of the Sherburne County Jail in unit dose packaging. One technician is dedicated to that function daily, from approximately 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Due to the increasing volume of business at Fairview Northland – Elk River, Ms. Ganske is requesting an additional technician during those hours. This would increase the ratio between technicians and pharmacists from 2:1 to 3:1. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request, the Board gave this request its first reading and will consider the request a second time at its meeting of March 20, 2002. In the meantime, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to contact Ms. Ganske and remind her that no



variance would be needed if one of the three technicians contemplated for Fairview Northland – Elk River was a technician certified by the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board, receiving its first reading, was submitted on behalf of Fairview Lakes Pharmacy – Lino Lakes, in Lino Lakes, Minnesota, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager of Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting a variance that would allow the pharmacy to store some of its paper records in an area of dedicated pharmacy storage shelves within a larger storage area of the clinic outside of the licensed pharmacy area. The area is a secure locked area only accessible to clinic and pharmacy staff. After discussing this variance request, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings of new variance requests and act on this request immediately. That motion passed. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the variance requested by Ms. Ganske on behalf of Fairview Lakes Pharmacy – Lino Lakes be approved for an indefinite period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board, receiving its first reading, was submitted on behalf of Fairview Ridgeview Pharmacy, in Burnsville, Minnesota, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager of Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting a variance that would allow the pharmacy to store some of its paper records in an area of dedicated pharmacy storage shelves within a larger storage area of the clinic outside of the licensed pharmacy area. The area is a secure locked area only accessible to clinic and pharmacy staff. After discussing this variance request, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings of new variance requests and act on this request immediately. That motion passed. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the variance requested by Ms. Ganske on behalf of Fairview Ridgeview Pharmacy be approved for an indefinite period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of The Medicine Shoppe Pharmacy, in Bemidji, Minnesota, by Mr. Richard Chernugal, Pharmacist-in-charge. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for all new variance requests, the Board gave this request its first reading. Mr. Chernugal's request for a variance will receive its second reading at the Board's meeting on March 20, 2002. In the meantime, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to obtain additional information from Mr. Chernugal regarding the group homes from which he hopes to take returns and additional information regarding the Beltrami County Jail.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Care Alliance Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Mr. Kevin Burns, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Burns is requesting a variance that would allow Care Alliance Pharmacy to install Omnicell automated medication management systems in subacute units of four local nursing homes and in the hospital at LeSueur. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for all new variance requests, the Board gave Mr. Burns' request its first reading. The variance requested on behalf of Care Alliance Pharmacy will receive its second reading at the Board's meeting on March 20, 2002. In the meantime, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to obtain additional information from Mr. Burns regarding this proposal.



The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Stearns Veterinary Outlet Store, in Melrose, Minnesota, by Mr. Richard Peifer, General Manager, and Mr. Steve Anderson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Peifer and Mr. Anderson are requesting a variance that would allow less frequent visits by Mr. Anderson to the Stearns Veterinary Outlet Store to certify the accuracy of veterinary medications dispensed by the technicians. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for all new variance requests, the Board gave this request its first reading. The second reading of the request submitted on behalf of Stearns Veterinary Outlet Store will be conducted at the Board's meeting on March 20, 2002. In the meantime, the Board requested that pharmacy Board inspectors visit the facility prior to the March 20th meeting to verify the statements made by Mr. Anderson and Mr. Peifer in their variance request.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Fairmont Medical Center Pharmacy, in Fairmont, Minnesota, by Mr. Joel Moore, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Moore is requesting a variance which would allow the pharmacy technician to work in the pharmacy at times when the pharmacist is not available, performing some non-direct patient care activities. Ms. Jean Lemberg then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request and act on this request immediately. That motion passed. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board deny Mr. Moore's request. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Pharmacist Patrick O'Neill. Mr. O'Neill is requesting a variance that would allow him to register as a pharmacist preceptor, even though he has not practiced pharmacy in Minnesota for one full year as is normally required of preceptors. After a brief discussion of this variance request, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request and act on this request immediately. That motion passed. Ms. Jean Lemberg then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the variance requested by Mr. O'Neill be granted and that Mr. O'Neill be registered as a preceptor with the Board. The motion passed.

The final request for a new variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of ShopKo Pharmacy, in Winona, Minnesota, by Mr. Tom Williams, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Williams is requesting a variance from the Board's requirement that the pharmacist review the manufacturer's original container from which the medication was withdrawn during the certification of each prescription. ShopKo Pharmacy uses Baker Cell cassettes in an automated counting system and thus finds it impossible to comply with the language of the rule. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for each new variance request the Board gave this request its first reading. The Board will consider this variance a second time at its meeting of March 20, 2002.

The Board next turned its attention to requests for extensions of previously granted variances that it has received since the last meeting.

The first request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Columbia Park Medical Group Pharmacy, in Columbia Park, Minnesota, by Mr. Al Brosseau, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Brosseau is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allowed Columbia Park Medical Group Pharmacy to prepackage limited prescription medications into unit of use containers to be dispensed by physicians during urgent care clinic hours when the pharmacy is closed. Mr. Gary Schneider then moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The second request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Lakes Pharmacy – Lino Lakes, in Lino Lakes, Minnesota, by Mr. Bill Schommer, Senior Regional Manager for Fairview Pharmacy Services. Mr. Schommer is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows Fairview Lakes Pharmacy – Lino Lakes to dispense medications to patients at the Fairview Staub Pediatric Clinic using Fairview's newly developed remote dispensing system. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The third request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Hennepin County Medical Center, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Mr. Chuck Cooper, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Gary Schneider then moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the previously granted variance allowing Hennepin County Medical Center Pharmacy to locate an ATC profile dispensing machine at the Hennepin County Jail be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed with Mr. Chuck Cooper abstaining.

The fourth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Omnicare Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Ms. Jill Hutchinson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Hutchinson is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows Omnicare Pharmacy to accept returns of medication from various assisted-living facilities. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Mr. Gary Schneider seconded that the previously granted variance be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed with Ms. Jean Lemberg abstaining.

The fifth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was also submitted on behalf of Omnicare Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Ms. Jill Hutchinson, Pharmacist-in-charge. This request would provide an extension of a current variance allowing Omnicare Pharmacy to provide an emergency stock supply of medications to several detoxification centers that they service. Ms. Jean Lemberg then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The sixth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Pediatric Home Service Pharmacy, in Roseville, Minnesota, by Ms. Jill Liebers, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Liebers is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that exempts Pediatric Home Service Pharmacy from maintaining a prescription balance, weights, and other equipment needed to compound oral and/or topical prescriptions in that

Pediatric Home Services Pharmacy deals only with home IV therapy patients. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The seventh request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of St. Paul Metro Treatment Center, in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Mr. Kevin Christians, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Christians, as a new PIC, is requesting an extension of several variances relating to equipment, security, and pharmacists on duty. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the previously granted variances be approved for a two-year period of time. The motion passed.

The eighth and final request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Target Pharmacy, in Edina, Minnesota, by Ms. Jennifer Farley, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Farley is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance relating to the checking of the original container from which the medication was withdrawn during the certification steps for a prescription performed by Target pharmacists. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Mr. Gary Schneider seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager, Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting guidance from the Board in the matter of generic substitution and the electronic transmission of prescriptions. Specifically, Ms. Ganske asks “is the electronic transmission of “D.A.W.” or “Dispense As Written” expressly indicated by a prescriber, similar to an oral prescription, i.e., is it sufficient to meet the legal intent of Minnesota statute 151.21.”

In discussing this issue, it was noted that the statutory section involved indicates that, in the case of a written prescription, the prescriber must personally write in his or her own handwriting the words “Dispense As Written” or “D.A.W.” In the case of an oral prescription, the statute indicates that the prescriber must expressly indicate that the prescription is to be dispensed as communicated. The statute does not address electronically transmitted prescriptions. Mr. Holmstrom was then directed to contact Ms. Ganske and express the Board’s opinion that since electronically transmitted prescriptions are neither written prescriptions nor oral prescriptions, it may be necessary to amend the existing legislation in order to address this issue.

Mr. Holmstrom next provided the Board with information he received from Board President Vern Kassekert regarding a study of proposed funding alternatives being conducted by the Health Professional Services Program. After discussing the current funding situation and potential alternatives, the Board indicated that it would favor defending a change requiring the Board’s to fund 75% of the cost of each enrolled licensee, with the licensee picking up the other 25%.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Ms. Sally Shepherd, a Canadian pharmacist seeking to take the Board exam in Minnesota in June. Ms. Shepherd is requesting that the Board review her previous experience as an intern and as a pharmacist in Canada and



grant her credit for the Board's 1,500 hours of internship requirement. Upon reviewing Ms. Shepherd's previous experience in Canada, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Gary Schneider seconded that the Board grant Ms. Shepherd 1,250 hours of internship experience for her work in Canada with the remaining 250 hours to be completed in Minnesota after registration with the Board as a pharmacist-intern. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with information from the Office of Governor Jesse Ventura and from the State Department of Employee Relations regarding hiring restrictions and travel restrictions imposed on all general fund agencies. After a discussion of these issues, Mr. Holmstrom was directed to write to the Commissioner of the Department of Employee Relations requesting approval for all Board members and the Board's Executive Director to attend the Annual Meeting of NABP to be held in Phoenix, Arizona, in May of this year.

The Board next turned its attention to its package of proposed rule changes and the comments on the rule changes that it has received. The first comment considered by the Board was a comment relating to the language of MN Rule 6800.4210 regarding GHB. It was pointed out that Minnesota Statutes 152.02, subd. 4(2)(d), relating to use of GHB contains inclusive language relating to esters and ethers of GHB, while the Board's rule in 6800.4210 includes inclusive language of salts, isomers, and salts of isomers as is also included in the statutory section as referenced above, but does not include the ester and ether language. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Gary Schneider seconded that the Board's proposal in 6800.4210 be amended to follow the language found in Minnesota Statute 152.02, subd. 4(2)(d). The motion passed.

The Board next determined that 31 comments were received requesting a public hearing on the Board's proposed change to MN Rule 6800.2150. As a result, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board's proposed change to MN Rule 6800.2150 be withdrawn from the proposed rule package. The motion passed.

The Board next considered two comments it received suggesting alternative language to the Board's proposal for MN Rule 6800.3110, subp. 4G. The Board discussed these proposed language changes at length and directed Mr. Holmstrom to contact other states regarding this issue. Final action on MN Rules 6800.3110 and on the rule package as a whole was thus deferred until the March 20, 2002, meeting of the Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Vice President Peterson adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:00 p.m.

Carol M. Peterson  
PRESIDENT VICE PRESIDENT

David Holmstrom  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



## MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

### SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-FIFTH MEETING

At approximately 9:00 a.m., March 20, 2002, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza Building, 2829 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. All members of the Board were in attendance, with the exception of Mr. Gary Schneider. Also in attendance was the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom.

After reviewing, amending and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of February 20, 2002. Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies, which it has received since its last meeting. The first such application was submitted on behalf of Fairview Wholesale Service Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Mr. Bill Weiers from Fairview Pharmacy Services appeared before the Board to discuss this application. In addition to licensure as a pharmacy, Fairview is seeking licensure as a wholesaler with both the Fairview Wholesale Service Pharmacy and the Fairview Wholesale Service Pharmacy's licensure as a drug wholesaler being located within the existing space already licensed as a pharmacy by the Fairview system. After thoroughly discussing these applications with Mr. Weiers, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that both the pharmacy application and the wholesale application for Fairview Wholesale Services Pharmacy be approved. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Herman Pharmacy, in Herman, Minnesota, by Dr. Stanley Gallagher, Pharmacist-in-charge. After noting that a previous pharmacy in Herman had recently closed, and that there currently is no pharmacy service to the community of Herman at all, and noting that Dr. Gallagher is both a physician and a pharmacist and that the proposed Herman Pharmacy is located within Dr. Gallagher's clinic, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that a variance relating to size of the licensed area, the location of a sink with hot and cold running water, and required equipment be granted and that the application be approved subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with other pharmacy rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Snyder's Drug Store, in Plymouth, Minnesota, by Mr. Bradley Roesler, Pharmacist-in-charge. After noting that this proposed pharmacy has already been inspected by Pharmacy Board Surveyor Candice Fleming, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued. The motion passed.

The fourth application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of RedPharm Drug, in Minnetonka, Minnesota, by Mr. Randy Feldman, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Feldman and Ms. Terri Woodhull, Chief Operating Officer of Mendota Healthcare, now appeared before the Board to discuss this application. In addition to the application for licensure as a pharmacy, RedPharm Drug is also requesting licensure as a drug wholesaler.

After discussing these applications with Mr. Feldman and Ms. Woodhull, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the applications be approved and licenses issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board an application for licensure as a drug manufacturer submitted by Stearns Veterinary Outlet Store. Stearns Veterinary Outlet Store currently holds a pharmacy license, but specializes in the distribution of veterinary drugs to farmers and other livestock producers. Stearns is now seeking licensure as a drug manufacturer to enable it to repackage and sell, to the end user, over-the-counter veterinary drugs, which are applied to the teats of dairy animals prior to and following milking. After reviewing and discussing this application, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the application for licensure as a drug manufacturer be approved. The motion passed.

The Board next addressed itself to matters of a quasi-judicial nature and temporarily closed the meeting to the public.

The Board next addressed its package of proposed rule changes and entered into a discussion of the sections of the proposed rules upon which it had received comments during the official comment period. The first section of the proposed rules to be addressed was MN Rule 6800.4210 relating to the scheduling of GHB. The Board received a comment suggesting that the language relating to GHB be amended to conform to Minnesota Statutes 152 wherein the categorization of various Schedule I substances includes the esters and ethers of those substances. Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the Board add the esters and ethers language to MN Rule 6800.4210. The motion passed.

The next section to be addressed by the Board was the proposed language relating to lunch breaks for pharmacists found in MN Rule 6800.2150. After noting that the Board received 31 requests for a hearing on this specific rule section, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the proposed new language relating to lunch breaks for pharmacists be withdrawn from the package of proposed rules. The motion passed.

The issue of whether to proceed to a public hearing on the issue of lunch breaks for pharmacists or whether to simply withdraw the rule then was held. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the Board begin the process of scheduling a public hearing on this section of the proposed rules. The motion passed with Mr. Tom Dickson voting in opposition.

The third section of the proposed rules to be addressed was the language of proposed Rule 6800.3110, subp. 4. The Board received two comments suggesting that the language be amended to attempt to ensure that pharmacists are allowed to bill third-party insurance programs for the service they provide in resolving drug related problems identified during the DUR that will now be mandated for all patients. After discussing the language proposed by the commenter and discussing other alternative language, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board proceed with the language as proposed, with the understanding that if reimbursement for the services provided by pharmacists in resolving identified drug related

problems becomes an issue, the Board may revise the language at a future time. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the package of Proposed Rules Relating to Lighting Standards, Patient Counseling, Internship, Controlled Substance Rescheduling, and Expiration Dates be adopted as amended and that the Proposed Rule Relating to Lunch Breaks for Pharmacists be removed from the package of adopted rules. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a list of continuing education programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force between the dates of January 15th and February 12th, 2002, and between February 12th and March 12th, 2002. After reviewing the lists of programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that those programs recommended for approval be so approved, and that those programs for which denial of approval was recommended be denied. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the review of variance requests that have been submitted to the Board. The Board first addressed itself to new variance requests that were getting their first reading.

The first variance request to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Walgreens Pharmacy, in Duluth, Minnesota, by Ms. Diane Winship, Pharmacist-in-charge. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of April 24, 2002. In the meantime, Mr. Holmstrom was directed to send Ms. Winship the variance request form for her to complete and to obtain additional information regarding her request.

The second variance request to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of various Fairview Pharmacies, by Mr. Bill Schommer, of Fairview Pharmacy Services. Mr. Schommer is requesting a variance that would provide for substantial changes to previously granted variances relating to the five locations involved in receiving telepharmacy services from Fairview – Lino Lakes Pharmacy. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of April 24, 2002.

The Board next turned its attention to new variance requests receiving their second readings.

The first such request was submitted on behalf of Care Alliance Pharmacy, by Mr. Kevin Burns. Mr. Burns is requesting a variance that would allow Care Alliance Pharmacy to establish Omnicell dispensing machines in four long-term care facilities in Minneapolis and in the LeSueur Hospital with computer connections to pharmacists at Care Alliance Pharmacy, who would do drug use reviews and electronically release medications when patients in subacute units of the identified nursing homes were in need of immediate administration of medications. Mr. Burns and Mr. Howard Juni now appeared before the Board to discuss this request.



Mr. Burns and Mr. Juni indicated that there would always be an RN involved at each facility. In addition, Care Alliance Pharmacy has a pharmacist on duty 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, so a pharmacist will always be available to perform the drug use reviews and to electronically release the medication. Mr. Burns and Mr. Juni indicated that the Omnicell units would be refilled by pharmacy technicians, from Care Alliance Pharmacy, who go to the home to load the equipment. Plastic baggies would be used for each different medication to be loaded, with the baggies being identified as to the location of the drawer being restocked. After discussing this proposal with Mr. Burns and Mr. Juni, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the variance requested be approved for a one-year period of time and that Mr. Burns and/or Mr. Juni report back to the Board at the Board's meeting of March 2003. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance to receive its second reading was submitted on behalf of Divine Providence Health Center Pharmacy, in Ivanhoe, Minnesota, by Ms. Kathryn Davidson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Davidson is requesting a variance that would allow Divine Providence Health Center Pharmacy to stock prepackaged medications at the Divine Providence Clinic in Minneota, Minnesota, for dispensing by physicians at that location. After noting that Ms. Davidson's policies and procedures for the transfer of the medication and the billing of the medication from the Minneota location appears to have an internal conflict, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that Ms. Davidson's variance request be approved, but that Mr. Holmstrom require Ms. Davidson to amend the policies and procedures relating to the billing of the medications dispensed at Minneota. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance to receive its second reading was submitted on behalf of Fairview Northland Elk River Pharmacy, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager for Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting a variance to the technician ratio at Fairview Northland Elk River Pharmacy. After again reviewing this request and noting that, if Ms. Ganske has one of her technicians obtain certification from the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board, there will no longer be a need for this variance request, the Board acted to deny the request and directed Mr. Holmstrom to suggest that Ms. Ganske work with the technicians at Fairview Northland Elk River Pharmacy to help one or more of them become certified.

The next request for a variance to receive its second reading was submitted on behalf of ShopKo Pharmacy, in Winona, Minnesota, by Mr. Tom Williams, Pharmacist-in-Charge. Mr. Williams is requesting a variance that would exempt a pharmacist at ShopKo Pharmacy from reviewing the manufacturer's original container, from which the medication was withdrawn, during the certification process for each prescription, due to the use of automated tablet counting equipment that results in prescriptions being filled from the automated equipment rather than from the manufacturer's original container. After discussing this issue, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Williams be approved for a six-month period of time and that Pharmacy Board surveyors review compliance with the Board's guidelines for automated counting systems at the time that Mr. Williams might apply for an extension of this variance. The motion passed.



The next request for a variance to receive its second reading was submitted on behalf of Stearns Veterinary Outlet Store Pharmacy, by Mr. Richard Peifer, General Manager at Stearns. Mr. Peifer is requesting a variance relating to the frequency with which the pharmacist at Stearns is required to review the records of the dispensing of veterinary drugs from that location. Currently, the pharmacist reviews the dispensing records on a twice a week basis. Mr. Peifer is requesting a variance that would allow such review to take place every three months. After discussing this request and reviewing the report of Pharmacy Board Surveyors Byron Opstad and Candice Fleming, the Board acted to deny the request, but indicated that the Board may be willing to reconsider this action at the conclusion of the meetings of the Veterinary Pharmacy Task Force that is being established.

The next request for a variance to receive its second reading was submitted on behalf of The Medicine Shoppe, in Bemidji, Minnesota, by Mr. Richard Chernugal, Pharmacist-in-charge. After noting that additional information was required of Mr. Chernugal after the first reading of this request during the Board's February meeting, and after noting that no additional information has yet been submitted by Mr. Chernugal, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that this variance request be tabled until Mr. Chernugal provides the additional information requested by the Board. The motion to table was passed.

The Board next turned its attention to requests for extensions of previously granted variances that it has received since the last meeting.

The first request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview-University Medical Center Pharmacy, by Ms. Pamela Phelps, who is a new Pharmacist-in-charge at that facility. As a new pharmacist-in-charge, Ms. Phelps is required to review all existing variances and determine whether they should be continued under her name. As a result, Ms. Phelps has submitted five requests for extensions of previously granted variances.

These variances relate to the use of a Matrix drawer in the Pyxis units at the hospital, the use of a Tech-Check-Tech program for preparing Pyxis batch medication fills, a variance allowing the pharmacy to store pharmaceuticals outside of the main central pharmacy location, a variance allowing the facility to keep NCR copies of medication orders for 30 days on the condition that the original copy is kept in the patient's chart permanently, and a variance allowing the facility to store pharmacy records outside of the licensed area. Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that all of these variances be approved for a one-year period of time from today's date. The motion passed.

The next request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of International Falls Memorial Hospital, by Mr. Richard Peterson, a new Pharmacist-in-charge at Falls Memorial Hospital. As a new pharmacist-in-charge, Mr. Peterson's responsibility was to review all variances previously granted to the facility and determine whether they should be extended under his name. Mr. Peterson is requesting an extension of the previously granted variance that allows the pharmacy to prepare prepackaged antibiotic suspensions for dispensing, out of the hospital's emergency room by ER physicians, when the pharmacies and clinic in the town of International Falls are closed. Mr. Tom Dickson then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson

seconded that this variance be extended for a one-year period of time from today's date. The motion passed.

The next request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Chronimed Pharmacy, by Mr. David Busch, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Busch is also a new pharmacist-in-charge and, as a result, is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance. After reviewing this request, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Busch, relating to access to the licensed area at Chronimed, be approved for a two-year period of time. The motion passed.

The final request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Northland Pharmacy, in Zimmerman, Minnesota, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager for Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting a variance, which allows Fairview Northland Pharmacy, in Zimmerman, to secure and distribute sample medications for physicians of the Fairview Northland Clinic in Zimmerman, which is located within the same building. After reviewing this variance, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the performance of candidates for licensure by examination that have now completed all parts of the January 2002 Board Examination. For Full Board Examination candidates, the Board determined that, in grading the examinations, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical Examination weighted at 20% of the total, the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the following candidates be granted licensure as pharmacists:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Dennis James O'Brien	8015	117416-8
Maria C. Kenny	8019	117419-7
Karlie M. Douglas	8020	117421-0

The Board next addressed itself to the performance of candidates for licensure by reciprocity that have taken the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination for Minnesota since the Board's last meeting. After a thorough review of the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that, having passed the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
8013	Angela Marie Larson	MO
8014	Patricia Lynn Brusky	WI
8016	Matthew Kendall Powers	WI
8017	William Scott Cody	IA
8021	Peter Joel Lee	ND
8022	DeeAnn Ranae Powers	CO
8023	Robert Dougall Ferguson	NV
8024	Dean Vincent Fenenga	SD

Mr. Holmstrom next described for the Board the need for a Board member volunteer to join him in traveling to the NABP office in Chicago, in September, to work on the further development of the item pool Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination. Mr. Vern Kassekert agreed to participate.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with a letter from Mr. Bruce Painter, Director of Professional Services, for Wal-Mart's Pharmacy Division. Mr. Painter is requesting that Wal-Mart Pharmacies be allowed to replace the hard copy text "Facts and Comparisons" with an on-line reference "Clinical Pharmacology." After discussing this issue, the Board determined that Clinical Pharmacology is not comparable to Facts and Comparisons in that Clinic Pharmacology provides pharmacology information; whereas, Facts and Comparisons is categorized as a dosage and toxicology reference. The Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to discuss this issue with Mr. Painter and report back.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Mr. John Frandson, at Nash Finch Pharmacy Department. Mr. Frandson is requesting authorization to use three electronic PDA versions of references as the sole references in Econofood Pharmacies in Minnesota. Mr. Frandson is proposing to provide each Econofood pharmacist with a PDA that would be loaded with Lexi-Drugs Drug Handbook, Lexi-Drugs Natural Products and Lexi-Drugs Interact, which is a drug interaction reference. In addition, Mr. Frandson indicated that current FDA alerts and manufacturer announcements would also be downloaded into each pharmacist's PDA. After discussing this proposal, the Board indicated that it is inclined to require each pharmacy to maintain at least one hard copy reference, such as Facts and Comparisons, in each pharmacy. Mr. Holmstrom was directed to communicate this position to Mr. Frandson.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Mr. Chad Rieger, who is a pharmacist licensed to practice pharmacy in Canada. Mr. Rieger is seeking the opportunity to become licensed in Minnesota, and is requesting that the Board consider his experience, as a pharmacist-intern and as a licensed pharmacist in Canada, as fully meeting the Board's internship requirements. After reviewing Mr. Rieger's documentation, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board grant Mr. Rieger credit for all 1500 hours of the Board's internship requirement. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Mr. Carl Woetzel, Director of Pharmacy at Fairview Southdale Hospital, in Edina. Mr. Woetzel is requesting an opinion from

the Board as to whether pharmacy technicians would be allowed to obtain and record patient drug histories, that would be completely reviewed by a pharmacist and an attending physician before being acted upon. The pharmacy technicians would work in the surgical admission department and would be under the direction of a pharmacist, either in person or via telephone/pager at all times. At no time would the technician assess drug therapy or counsel patients regarding any medication issue. After reviewing Mr. Woetzel's letter and discussing this issue, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to inform Mr. Woetzel that it is permissible to utilize pharmacy technicians in this manner.

There being no further business requiring Board action at this time, President Kassekert adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:05 p.m.

  
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## MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

### SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-SIXTH MEETING

At approximately 9:30 a.m., April 24, 2002, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza Building, 2829 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. All members of the Board were in attendance. Also in attendance was the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom, and the Board's Legal Counsel, Mr. Robert Holley.

After reviewing, amending and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of March 20, 2002. Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed.

Went into a closed session to discuss matters of a quasi-judicial nature. Mr. Holley first presented the Board with a proposed stipulation and order in the matter of Pharmacist Daniel B. Astrup. Mr. Astrup is currently on probation with the Board, as a result of issues related to drug diversion and chemical dependency. As a result of new allegations of drug diversion and chemical dependency, Mr. Astrup, without the necessity of a disciplinary hearing, has agreed to surrender his license to practice pharmacy and has signed a proposed stipulation and order acknowledging and implementing the surrender of his license.

Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board approve the proposed stipulation and order and that Mr. Holmstrom be directed to sign the stipulation and order on the Board's behalf. The motion passed.

Mr. Holley next reported to the Board on two more cases of pharmacist revocations due to tax delinquencies. Mr. Holley indicated that he would be immediately preparing documents for signing by Mr. Holmstrom implementing the revocations. The pharmacists being revoked under Minnesota Statutes 270.72, relating to overdue tax liabilities, are Ms. Jacquelyn L. Melhus and Mr. Douglas J. Darling.

Mr. Holmstrom and Mr. Holley next provided the Board with information relating to two requests for accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act for the upcoming June 2002 Board exam.

The Board now returned to open session.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies, which it has received since its last meeting. The first such application was submitted on behalf of Fairview Oxboro Pharmacy, in Bloomington, Minnesota, by Mr. Gary Gustafson, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Gary Schneider moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Owatonna Clinic Pharmacy, in Owatonna, Minnesota, by Ms. Teresa Price, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the submission of variances relating to the space of the pharmacy and to the minimum required equipment, and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Preferred Choice Pharmacy, in New Brighton, Minnesota, by Ms. Sandra Smilanich, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Mr. Gary Schneider seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The fourth application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Snyder Drug, in Savage, Minnesota, by Mr. Jerry Edwards, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the naming of a permanent pharmacist-in-charge for the pharmacy, and subject also to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, with special attention being paid to the adequacy of the patient counseling area, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The final application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Walgreens Pharmacy, in Cottage Grove, Minnesota, by Mr. Greg Schuur, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

At this time, Ms. Audrey Neeley, Ms. Kelly Beaudoin, Ms. Michelle Aytay, and Mr. Mike Simko, all from Walgreens, appeared before the Board to discuss a pilot project involving centralized certification of prescription orders.

Walgreens is requesting Board approval of a pilot study involving three Minnesota Walgreen's pharmacies, all of which involve 24-hour a day services. The pilot study would be conducted between 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. during periods of low prescription volume.

The study involves closed circuit TV linkage between the pharmacies and handsets for communication between pharmacists at a central site and patients at a remote site. Pharmacists would be on duty at all sites at all times.

The pilot project involves pharmacy technicians, at remote sites, preparing prescriptions for checking by a pharmacist and, rather than having the prescriptions checked by the pharmacist who is also at the remote site, the technician would connect visually and by computer, with the pharmacist at the central site, who would review the technicians work and certify the prescription for accuracy. The pharmacist at the central site could then conduct patient counseling of the patient at the remote site through video and audio linkages. The initials of the pharmacist at the central site would then be on record as having certified the accuracy of a prescription prepared and filled at the remote site.

After a lengthy discussion of the pilot project proposal, the Board determined that variances are required relating to the supervision and certification of technician work and relating to the certification of the accuracy of prescriptions. Further consideration of the pilot project proposal was then tabled pending development, submission, and approval of the variances.

The Board next turned its attention to reports of its standing committees.

The Continuing Education Advisory Task Force did not meet since the last meeting of the Board and, thus, has no report.

On behalf of the Examination Committee, Mr. Holmstrom requested guidance from the Board on the reinstatement candidates who, upon being required to pass the Board's Practical Examination, failed the examination. The issue is whether those reinstatement candidates should be required to pay the normal examination fee, in order to retake the Practical Exam. After a brief discussion of the issue, the Board took the position that reinstatement candidates, just like candidates for original licensure, are required to pay the examination fee each time they take the exam.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with scores for candidates for licensure by reciprocity that have taken the Reciprocity/Jurisprudence Examination since the Board's last meeting. After a thorough review of the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Gary Schneider seconded that, having passed the Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
8025	Taci Patricia Ball	IL
8026	Michael James Niebaum	WY
8027	Cheryl Ann Waples	IA
8028	Ada Judith Hedin	NJ

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Mr. Freeman Mjolsness, a retired pharmacist from North Dakota, who is requesting the opportunity to obtain licensure in Minnesota by reciprocity without taking the Practical Examination, which is normally required of pharmacists who have not been engaged in pharmacy practice during the past two years. After discussing Mr. Mjolsness' request, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board deny Mr. Mjolsness' request to be exempted from taking the Practical Examination. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Ms. Renee Day, a pharmacist from Wisconsin, who is requesting that the Board grant her an opportunity to obtain licensure in Minnesota by reciprocity without the necessity of taking the Board's Practical Examination, as is normally required of individuals who have not been actively engaged in pharmacy practice within the last two years. Again, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that Ms. Day's request be denied and that she be required to take the Practical Examination as part of her request for licensure by reciprocity. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Mr. Joshua Welborn, a pharmacist from Washington, who is seeking the opportunity to become licensed in Minnesota by reciprocity in September of 2002, even though he will not have been licensed for one full year until December of 2002. After discussing Mr. Welborn's request and reviewing the supporting documents submitted by Mr. Welborn, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board accept Mr. Welborn's application for reciprocity not earlier than September 1, 2002. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next provided the Board with a summary of the activities of the Internship Committee. No formal action by the Board was required.

Mr. Holmstrom next provided the Board with information relating to the Rules and Legislation Committee. No formal action by the Board was required.

Mr. Holmstrom next provided the Board with a report from the Variance Committee and variance requests, both new and extension requests that were reviewed since the last meeting of the Board. Upon reviewing the list prepared by the Variance Committee, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Gary Schneider seconded that the Board approve the Variance Committee report and grant the variances recommended for approval by the Variance Committee and deny those variances recommended for denial by the Variance Committee. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next provided the Board a list of pharmacists who have not renewed their licenses to practice for the years 2000, 2001, and 2002, and who are eligible to be dropped from the roles of licensed pharmacists in Minnesota. After reviewing the list of pharmacists, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the pharmacists whose names appear on the list attached to these minutes be dropped as licensed pharmacists in Minnesota. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with a description of the circumstances necessitating a change in the proposed date for the June 2003 Board exam and Board meeting. Because of the difficulty in obtaining confirmation of graduation of candidates for licensure,



when the Board exam is given early in June, the Board changed the examination date in 2003 from June 3rd to June 10th, with the Board meeting to be held June 11th. A revised list of the tentative meeting dates from June of 2002 through June of 2003 is as follows:

June 4, 2002	Board Examination	Convention Center
June 5, 2002	Board Meeting	Conference Room A
July 31, 2002	Board Meeting	Conference Room A
August 15-17, 2002	District V	Fargo
September 18, 2002	Business Meeting	Conference Room A
October 23, 2002	Business Meeting	University Room
December 4, 2002	Business Meeting	Conference Room A
January 14, 2003	Board Examination	Convention Center
January 15, 2003	Board Meeting	Conference Room A
June 10, 2003	Board Exam	Convention Center
June 11, 2003	Board Meeting	Conference Room A

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board a letter from Mr. David Busch, pharmacist-in-charge at Chronimed Pharmacy regarding an issue relating to the transfer of prescriptions to other pharmacies. After discussing Mr. Busch's letter and request, the Board referred the matter to the Variance Committee for discussion and a potential variance.

President Kassekert next led a discussion on continuous quantity improvement issues, including the use of automated dispensing machines. At the conclusion of the discussion, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to prepare an article for an upcoming Board newsletter relating to MN Rule 6800.2400, item j.

Mr. Chuck Cooper next led a discussion of the issues surrounding the proper disposal of various medications that might be considered toxic waste by the Environmental Protection Agency and/or the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

At this time, Ms. Neeley, Ms. Beaudoin, Ms. Aytay, and Mr. Simko, from Walgreens, again appeared before the Board to present and discuss the variances identified as being needed to obtain approval of the proposed pilot project presented to the Board earlier this day. After, again, discussing the proposal and some modifications relating to the faxing of prescription orders from the remote site to the central site for the pharmacist to certify, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the variances be approved and that the proposed pilot project also be approved for a three-month period of time. The motion passed.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Kassekert adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:50 p.m.

  
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**VARIANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**APRIL 2002**

New Variance

Pharmerica (Fridley)

Kevin Christians, PIC

Request to implement a 96 hour exchange of the entire E-kit rather than replacing the used medications within a 72 hour time frame.

Denied

New Variance

The Medicine Shoppe (Bemidji)

Richard Chernugal, PIC

Request to be able to take returns from Beltrami County Jail and Goldpine Home (assisted living facility with 8 hour/day RN and 24 hour/day LPN )

Approved – 1 year but more info needed on Long Lake Loon Lodge and Havenwood Care Center

Amended Variance

Fairview Pharmacies (Twin Cities)

Bill Schommer, Fairview Pharmacy Services

Request to move ADDS telepharmacy system from Lino Lakes Phcy to the new Oxboro Clinic Phcy for Eagan, Highland Park, and Staub clinics and to the Chanhassen Phcy for the Eden Center clinic.

Approved – 1 year

Extension

Pharmerica (Fridley)

Kevin Christians, PIC

Extension to continue expanded E-kit at St.Louis Park Plaza Health Care Center

Approved – 1 year

Extension

Pharmerica (Fridley)

Kevin Christians, PIC

Extension to continue expanded E-kit at the Maplewood Good Samaritan Nursing Home and the Lakeridge Center (Roseville)

Approved – 1 year

Extension

Pharmerica (Fridley)

Kevin Christians, PIC

Extension to continue expanded E-kit at Hillcrest Healthcare in Wayzata

Approved – 1 year

Extension

Pharmerica

Kevin Christians, PIC

Extension to continue use of nurses employed at Pharmerica in assisting RPhs in checking and inventorying E-kits.

Approved – 1 year but request to amend to allow any employee of Pharmerica to assist RPh was denied



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BRUCE R BEIER P O BOX 310 FREEMAN SD 57029	109926	[REDACTED]	EXAM
DONALD G BERG 712 SPINNAKER BEACH HOUSE SEABROOK ISLAND SC 29455	110347	[REDACTED]	EXAM
STEVEN JORDAN BERGER 8308 JENKINTOWN ROAD ELKINS PARK PA 19027	116401	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
DEBRA KAYE BILLMEYER 106 SAND LANE NW CEDAR RAPIDS IA 52405	116598	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
MICHAEL O BRUNELLE 3738 PARK DRIVE RAPID CITY SD 57702	112976	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
CHAD A BUGOS 402 BRIARWOOD PLACE DERBY KS 67037	116460	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
JAMES R CARR 4018 RUNNYMEAD DRIVE COLLEGEVILLE PA 19426	114941	[REDACTED]	EXAM
SHANE JOSEPH CLARAMBEAU 1806 3RD ST NE AUSTIN MN 55912	116320	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
KENNETH J DENHARD 133 ROSEMONT CT WALNUT CREEK CA 94596	115491	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
DENA B FOLEY 5701 NE SAPPHIRE COURT LEE'S SUMMIT MO 64064	115725	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
MARLAN G FUGLEBERG 230 5TH AVE SE BOX 507 MAYVILLE ND 58257	110647	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
JOHN R GALLAND 15278 GREENHAVEN LN BURNSVILLE MN 55306	111094	[REDACTED]	EXAM

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RACHEL L GRIMM 3030 NAVAJO AVE WATERTOWN MN 55388	115298	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
RONALD R GRUDZIEN 614 LANDVIEW CT LAS VEGAS NV 89123	114084	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
JANET L GULATI 29 BOBS LANE SETAUKET NY 11733	112075	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
GARY R HADLEY 1454 FRENCHMAN'S BEND NAPERVILLE IL 60564	115921	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
ERLING N HALVORSON 1623 MERRYVIEW LN HIBBING MN 55746	109387	[REDACTED]	EXAM
PAULA MAE HAMMOND 13770 ELKHART RD APPLE VALLEY MN 55124	116798	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
RENITA H HEALD 7810 W KENTUCKY AVE LAKEWOOD CO 80226	116000	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
GARY H HEGLAND 6753 COUNTY ROAD #8 DEERWOOD MN 56444	110473	[REDACTED]	EXAM
ANHTHU DANG HOANG 600 BLOOM ST APT #1 DANVILLE PA 17821	116242	[REDACTED]	EXAM
BURTON J HOLMES 803 CENTRAL AVE RED WING MN 55066-3132	108685	[REDACTED]	EXAM
KEITH L JOHNSON 2817 NORTHERN SLOPES LNNE ROCHESTER MN 55906	110040	[REDACTED]	EXAM
ALBERT JOLINK 131 MAPLE ST W EDGERTON MN 56128	109264	[REDACTED]	EXAM

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ANNE THERESE KAMKE 200 FASKIN LANE LEXINGTON SC 29072-8064	116194	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
ALICE SARA KEMERER APT #303 7300 BRISTOL VILLAGE D BLOOMINGTON MN 55438	116634	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
BRADLEY K KLOCK 4810 FLINT LANE MADISON WI 53714	116287	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
MILTON G KNUTSON 10419 E SUNNYDALE DR SUN LAKES AZ 85248	109705	[REDACTED]	EXAM
JAMES C LEE 1595 ORCHID LN GREEN BAY WI 54313	112971	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
GREGORY I MADSEN 22241 HONEY RIDGE CT KILDEER IL 60047	115332	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
BOBBIE JO MALONE 8312 DEPEW WAY ARVADA CO 80003-1822	116569	[REDACTED]	EXAM
JOHN E MCELEVEY 303 SOUTH SHORE DRIVE GRAND MARAIS MN 55604	110196	[REDACTED]	EXAM
RICHARD E MCELMURY 802 W 1ST BOX 17 BOWMAN ND 58623	110089	[REDACTED]	EXAM
WILLIAM D MOSLEY 6353 O BANNON DR LAS VEGAS NV 89146	113417	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
KIM H NGUYEN 3638 IRONWOOD CT ROCHESTER MN 55902	113175	[REDACTED]	EXAM

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HEATH LEE PALMER 55 ROCK GROVE DR NOVA SPRINGS IA 50458	116743	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
TERESA MARIE PHARES 2255 ORIOLE AVE N STILLWATER MN 55082	116203	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
ROBERT L PULLANO 4 CENTRAL AVE S CHISHOLM MN 55719	115385	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
JOHN P ROMANO 3215 HUNTER HOLLOW RD WAUKEE IA 50263	116093	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
J SCOTT SANFORD 1116 5TH ST ONAWA IA 51040	114434	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
BRIAN D SCHAFER 3564 KENWOOD TERRACE MINOCQUA WI 54538	114158	[REDACTED]	EXAM
KIMBERLY ROXANNE SCHNACKY 1236 HAWTHORNE COVE DR OCOE FL 34761	116451	[REDACTED]	EXAM
KRISTEN BREEN SCHROEDER 3418 NORTH UNION TACOMA WA 98407	112543	[REDACTED]	EXAM
TERESA LYNN SMIGELSKI 1419 WASHINGTON ST DAVENPORT IA 52804	116518	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
AIJA S STRELNIEKS 4205 GARFIELD AVE S MINNEAPOLIS MN 55409	110705	[REDACTED]	EXAM
MARY L SUEHRING 1017 S COVENANT LN APPLETON WI 54915	115701	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***
JANET HAMM TEETERS 21635 W RAVINE RD LAKE ZURICH IL 60047	113555	[REDACTED]	RECIP.***



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NUMBER DATE BY

MEREDETH J WEBER  
2670 OLD MILITARY ROAD  
CENTRAL POINT OR 97502

112087 [REDACTED] EXAM

FLOYD A WILKENING  
1903 LEXINGTON STREET  
WEST PLAINS MO 65775

109435 [REDACTED] EXAM

THOMAS J WORRALL  
800 HIGH BATTERY CIRCLE  
MT PLEASANT SC 29464

115902 [REDACTED] EXAM

DARWIN E ZASKE  
U OF M COLLEGE OF PHARM  
308 HARVARD ST SE  
MINNEAPOLIS MN 55455

112261 [REDACTED] EXAM

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## MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

### SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-SEVENTH MEETING

At approximately 8:00 a.m., June 4, 2002, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met at the Minneapolis Convention Center, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of administering a written practical/clinical examination in prescription compounding and errors and omissions to the candidates for licensure by examination. All members of the Board were in attendance. Also in attendance were the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom, and the Board's Pharmacy Surveyors.

The following candidates, who have met all of the required prerequisites and who have presented properly executed applications, were present to write the examinations administered as part of the full Board examination process:

Aboro Abebe	Brian L. Entinger	Pauline R. Jacobs
Daniel R. Adams	Jason D. Ernster	Matthew M. Jerabek
Carrie L. Agler	Meredith R. Evers	Sandra L. Johnson
Jarin M. Akerson	Kristin C. Ferris	Cormac J. Kehoe
Zeinab A. Ammar	Aaron M. Finley	Thomas L. Kerwin
Hollie R. Amrein	Megan E. Flynn	Aaliya K. Khan
Ben E. Anderson	Rita L. Franzoi	Erika A. Klus
Jan A. Anderson	Timothy L. Fromm	Aimee K. Kobernat
Mary J. Arndt	Kimberly J. Furgason	Ryan W. Lamberg
Christine E. Bartels	Jeralyn J. Furst	Bethanie A. Larson
Kimberly A. Barth	David E. Gamache	Jessica M. Lawton
Mark A. Baugh	Eric T. Gangl	Joyce Lee
Stacy L. Belehar	Matthew J. Garrison	Jessica J. Leske
Lisa M. Berg	Deanna M. Gengler	Amy L. Libby
Jennifer L. Beyer	Eleonor Gerbuz	Sheila Wanda C. Lightly
Amy E. Boedigheimer	Christina A. Glasgow	Mark J. Lindgren
Laura L. Borstad	Christina M. Greco	Anna M. Lindlief
Stefanie A. Bradford	David C. Gribble	Sandra K. Lindmark
Eric J. Brandvold	Daniel T. Gwynn	Tracy L. Litke
Rachael M. Branson	Amy J. Hagbom	Kim H. Liu
Kristine M. Brincks	Tricia B. Hagedorn	May X. Lo
Sara L. Brodersen	Rachael R. Halvorson	Michael M. Lukkason
Julianna A. Burzynski	Michele R. Hanson	Jennifer S. Lund
Nicole M. Capitola-Nelson	Stephanie B. Hanson	Eric M. Maass
Michelle A. Chalupnik	Christa L. Heimer	Denyse M. Madden
Kirsten L. Chalupsky	Leslie M. Helou	Nicole M. Madsen
Jennifer L. Chapman	Jody B. Henry	Craig P. Magarity
Jason T. Cook	Michelle L. Hinojos	Jane M. Malmskog
Kendra L. Cope	Dawn M. Hoeft	Helen M. Mbiyu
Kevin J. Currans	Laura G. Hogan	Lance P. McNab
Uyen X. Dinh	Kathy A. Hoopes	Travis D. Meidinger
Jennifer A. Donnelly	Keri A. Hoss	Debbie D. Miller
Christopher L. Dornack	Yoon Y. Huh	Jill E. Minard
Amy E. Doten	Kristin B. Weckwerth	Erin M. Moline
Dorothy J. Doyle	Amy M. Jacobs	Melanie A. Monnie

Julie C. Moriak  
Lo Ri K. Morrissey  
Rose M. Mueller  
David R. Nash  
Andrea K. Nasstrom  
Michele L. Nelson  
Nichole J. Neumann  
Marvin E. Neva, Jr.  
Thao Q. Ngo  
Jenny B. Nguyen  
Kimberly T. Nguyen  
Thanh P. Nguyen  
Muhammed T. Banjoko  
Johanna Ohannessian  
Steven J. Oksa  
Lisa M. Olson  
Falguni B. Patel  
Natalie A. Pavek  
Stacy L. Peak  
Kristine J. Pederson  
Andrea L. Peterson  
Nicole A. Petrone  
Gamal M. Phuly  
Krista M. Pierson  
Christopher J. Poncelet  
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Jodi M. Robinson  
Jenny L. Sagehorn  
Landen C. Sanderson  
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Corissa L. Schnell  
Amanda M. Scotting  
Amy L. Seelow  
John W. Sherven  
Nicole A. Sherven  
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Matthew D. Smith  
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Sara A. Stichert

Jana L. Strand  
Tara M. Suihkonen  
Amit P. Sule  
Zach D. Tester  
Sherry A. Thell  
Tracy L. Tomasek  
Baochau M. Tran  
Jodie A. Trites  
Krista L. Turner  
Else N. Umbreit  
Jennifer L. Unruh  
Melisa M. Varghese  
Tracy J. Veronen  
Anna M. Vu  
Nicole M. Webb  
Stephanie K. Welliver  
Trisha M. Werner  
Jayme L. Westling  
Julie A. Wharam  
Jessica L. Wheeler  
Jaime A. Williams  
McKenzie A. Woerdehoff  
Lingling Xu  
Li-Ping Yap  
Jodie A. Zimmerman

The following retake candidate was also present to write the examination:

Angela T. Champion

Also present to write the examination were Mr. Kenneth Stenglein and Mr. Earl J. Poirier, who are seeking reinstatement of their license to practice pharmacy.

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At approximately 8:30 a.m., June 5, 2002, the Board met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza Building, 2829 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. Again, all members of the Board were in attendance. Also in attendance was the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom.

After reviewing, revising, and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of April 24, 2002. A question was raised regarding an issue of discussion at the April meeting and Mr. Holmstrom was directed to review the tape of

the April meeting to confirm the decision that was included in the Board minutes. As a result, the Board deferred approval of the April minutes until the July Board meeting.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies, which it has received since its last meeting. The first such application was submitted on behalf of Baron's Pharmacy, in Hibbing, Minnesota, by Mr. Craig Baron, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, and after noting that Pharmacy Board Surveyor Stuart Vandenberg had already inspected the new pharmacy, Mr. Gary Schneider moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Fairview University Oncology Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Ms. Jill Severson, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Mayo Clinic Pharmacy Eisenberg, in Rochester, Minnesota, by Mr. Matthew Freed, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Jean Lemberg moved and Mr. Gary Schneider seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The fourth application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Mayo Clinic Pharmacy Mary Brigh, in Rochester, Minnesota, by Mr. Philip Christiansen, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and noting that there were no plans or diagrams of the proposed pharmacy submitted with the application, the application was tabled.

The fifth application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Target Pharmacy, in Lino Lakes, Minnesota, by Ms. Rebecca Marx, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The sixth application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Target Pharmacy, in Rogers, Minnesota, by Ms. Lynn Robinson, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a



member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The final application to conduct a new pharmacy to be reviewed by the Board was submitted on behalf of Westbrook Health Center, in Westbrook, Minnesota, by Mr. Dean Lichty, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy and noting that the pharmacy does not currently meet the Board's minimum space requirements, and that Mr. Lichty is already pharmacist-in-charge at Lichty Drug, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that variances relating to the physical space of the pharmacy, and relating to the pharmacist-in-charge issue, be approved and that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

At this time, Mr. Ken Rosenblum and Mr. Randy Feldman appeared before the Board to further discuss the application for licensure previously submitted on behalf of RedPharm.

RedPharm is affiliated with Mendota Healthcare, which is the company that has produced the InstyMeds automated prescription dispensing unit. Mr. Rosenblum explained that the marketing focus for the InstyMeds machine will be to hospital emergency rooms and urgent care centers, and the automated dispensing equipment will be used primarily for first fill situations by patients being seen in the emergency room or urgent care center.

Mr. Rosenblum indicated that the electronic record of dispensing from InstyMeds units will be electronically transferred to RedPharm so that the prescription information can be available to other community pharmacies where a patient might go for a refill of the medication originally dispensed via the InstyMeds machine. RedPharm will also occasionally do emergency dispensing of medications not available in the InstyMeds machines, or in the event of a breakdown of the InstyMeds unit.

Discussion was then held regarding the repackaging of medications for placement into the InstyMeds machines by RedPharm. The Board's position was that, since these repackaged medications were not "prepackaged medications being dispensed by RedPharm," a manufacturing license for RedPharm was needed. A manufacturing license would allow RedPharm to repackage medications for placement into containers that would be loaded into the InstyMeds units.

At the conclusion of the discussion, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Gary Schneider seconded that the license for RedPharm be approved contingent on RedPharm obtaining a manufacturer's license for the repackaging operations. The motion passed.

At this time, Pharmacist Jim Polucha appeared before the Board to discuss pharmacy services at Westside Community Health Services Pharmacy, Southside Pharmacy and Model Cities Pharmacy, all of which are small community clinics. Mr. Polucha oversees the pharmacy operations in each of these locations. The original proposal submitted to the Board, earlier this year, called for the pharmacy at Model Cities to be the location at which maintenance medications would be dispensed and distributed back to Southside and Westside, but because of

delays in the build out of the pharmacy at Model Cities, Mr. Polucha is requesting an opportunity to dispense maintenance medications from the Southside Pharmacy until the Model Cities site is ready.

At the conclusion of the discussion of the various issues involved in Mr. Polucha's proposal, Mr. Gary Schneider moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that the Board approve the proposal to use the Southside Pharmacy for the dispensing of maintenance medications until the Model Cities Pharmacy is opened. The motion passed.

Ms. Monica Feider, Program Director for the Health Professional Services Program (HPSP), and Mr. Kurt Roberts, Case Manager for HPSP, now appeared before the Board to provide the Board with background information regarding the operation of HPSP and the number of pharmacist licensees enrolled in the program. At the conclusion of the HPSP report, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to invite pharmacists Jim Alexander and Bruce Benson to a future meeting of the Board, since they are MPhA and MSHP representatives to the HPSP Advisory Committee. Discussions with Mr. Alexander and Mr. Benson would focus on how to make the HPSP program more available to pharmacists.

The Board next turned its attention to reports from its standing committees. The Continuing Education Advisory Task Force did not meet since the last meeting of the Board and, thus, has no report. The next scheduled meeting of the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force is June 11, 2002.

The Internship Committee, which meets only every other month, has not met since the last meeting of the Board and, thus, has no report.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board the report of the Variance Committee. The Variance Committee report is appended to these minutes. After reviewing the report of the Variance Committee, Mr. Tom Dickson moved and Ms. Carol Peterson seconded that the Board approve the Variance Committee report and grant the variances recommended for approval by the Variance Committee and deny those variances recommended for denial by the Variance Committee. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with the report from the Rules and Legislation Committee. Mr. Holmstrom provided copies of two pieces of legislation that potentially impact pharmacy practice. One piece of legislation involves registered nurses implementing a protocol that does not reference a specific patient and results in a prescription of a legend drug, that has been predetermined and delegated by a licensed practitioner, being generated. After discussing this piece of legislation, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to attempt to find out whether the Board of Nursing is going to be developing rules to implement this piece of legislation and whether rules will address the issue of how a pharmacist will know whether a nurse is operating under such a protocol.

The second piece of legislation was developed by the Board of Medical Practice and addresses the issue of interstate practice of telemedicine. The Board then discussed the applicability of this type of situation to pharmacy practice.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with a letter from Mr. Erik Heikkinen, Manager of Regulatory Affairs for Coram Healthcare. The letter asked for the Board's opinion on the legality of Coram providing outsourcing services in the preparation of sterile products to inpatient or hospital pharmacies. After reviewing and discussing the Coram proposal, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to inform Mr. Heikkinen that the Coram proposal does not appear to violate Minnesota pharmacy laws or Board of Pharmacy rules, so long as the orders for sterile solutions are prepared on a patient-specific basis and delivery made to the inpatient pharmacy where the prepared prescriptions will be received and reviewed by an inpatient pharmacist prior to being delivered to the patient's nursing unit.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with scores for candidates for licensure by reciprocity and by examination. After a review of the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that, having passed the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
8029	Lance Ellsworth Olson	AZ
8033	Beth A. Frey	IN
8034	Kathrine T. Wolfe	OR
8035	Christina Lynn Soltwedel	KS
8040	Stacey Anne Fristad	WI
8041	Dean George Good	IA
8042	Cyril James Groetken	OR
8044	David Maitland Arrington	MD
8045	Sharon Annette Estenson	AZ

For the full Board examination candidates, the Board determined that, in grading the examination, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical Examination weighted at 20% of the total, the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the following candidates be granted licensure as pharmacists:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Neda L. Leonard	8018	117418-4
Daniel T. Spreitzer	8030	117431-7
Natalie Carmen McLeish	8031	117432-0
David Edward McLeish	8032	117433-3
Yiming Amy Jan	8036	117437-5
Ryan M. Cassity	8037	117438-8
Patricia Ann Colvin	8039	117439-1

Mr. Holmstrom next presented the Board with a letter from Mr. James M. Guertin, who indicates that he has been a licensed pharmacist in North Dakota, South Dakota, and Colorado, for approximately 25 years and would now like to reciprocate to Minnesota. Unfortunately, Mr. Guertin began the examination track toward licensure in Minnesota back in 1977 and failed to successfully pass the examination. Under the Board's rules, once a candidate begins the examination track toward licensure and is unsuccessful, he becomes ineligible for reciprocity. Mr. Guertin is now requesting that the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy give him the opportunity to reciprocate to Minnesota, in spite of the fact that he was unsuccessful in becoming licensed here by examination back in 1977. Mr. Guertin indicates that he feels his 25 years of on-the-job experience should make up for any deficiencies he may have exhibited back in 1977. After discussing Mr. Guertin's situation, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Tom Dickson seconded that Mr. Holmstrom inform Mr. Guertin that if he passed the NAPLEX examination and a Practical examination somewhere (it's possible that Mr. Guertin may even have passed one or the other of those examinations in Minnesota), then he can reciprocate through the ordinary reciprocity process. If Mr. Guertin has not passed a Practical examination, however, he will be required to take the Practical exam here, as well as the law exam that is required of all reciprocity candidates. The motion passed.

The Board next discussed the various issues raised at the NABP Annual Meeting and determined which issues will be followed for their applicability to Minnesota.

The Board next addressed itself to establishing meeting dates for the first part of calendar year 2003. The following dates were established:

January 14, 2003	Board Examination	Minneapolis Convention Center
January 15, 2003	Business Meeting	Conference Room A
February 26, 2003	Business Meeting	Conference Room A
April 16, 2003	Business Meeting	Conference Room A
June 10, 2003	Board Examination	Minneapolis Convention Center
June 11, 2003	Business Meeting	Conference Room A
July 23, 2003	Business Meeting	Conference Room A
September 17, 2003	Business Meeting	Conference Room A

In addition, the NABP Annual Meeting will be held May 17 – 21, 2003, and the NABP/AACP District V Meeting will be held in August of 2003.

The Board next discussed the District V Meeting of the Board's and colleges of the five-state area scheduled to be held in North Dakota on August 15 – 17, 2002. After discussing the value of the district meetings with the colleges of pharmacy from which Minnesota obtains most of its candidates for licensure, as well as the Board's of Pharmacy which share common borders and common problems, Ms. Carol Peterson moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that all Board members wishing to attend the District V Meeting do so at Board expense. The motion passed.



There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, President Kassekert adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:45 p.m.

  
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## **VARIANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

### **JUNE 5, 2002**

#### **New Variances**

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Holly Senn, PIC

Request for variance to certification requirement due to use of Baker Pharmacy 2000 System. Medication description is displayed on computer screen. The system records the date and time the Rx was entered, imaged, filled and certified.

Approved – one year

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Need more information.

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Variance request to store prescription records outside of the licensed area.

Denied – Records must be kept in area with controlled access being limited to pharmacists.

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Extension to continue limited pharmacy hours at Bridges Medical Services Pharmacy.

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