**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**Board of Registration in Pharmacy**

**NOTICE OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE** **BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN PHARMACY**

**April 30, 2021**

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Attendee: #

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**Agenda**

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| **Time** | **#** | **Item** | **Page** | **Contact** |
| **8:00** | **I** | **CALL TO ORDER** |  | **J. Lanza** |
|  | **II** | **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** |  |  |
| **8:05** | **III** | **APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES*** Draft of April 16, 2021 Regular Session Minutes
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| **8:20** | **IV** | **FLEX*** Pharmacy issues related to Covid-19 and the state of emergency
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| **8:30** | **V** | **APPLICATIONS*** Ash Pharmacy – New Community Pharmacy
* Central Street Pharmacy; DS89950 – Relocation
* Resilience Boston – Wholesale Distributor
* Preferred Pharmacy Solutions; DS3542 - Transfer of Ownership
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| **9:00** | **VI** | **REGULATIONS*** 247 CMR 17.00: Sterile Compounding
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| **10:00** | **VII** | **EXECUTIVE SESSION**The Board will meet in Executive Session as authorized pursuant toM.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1) for the purpose of discussing the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual. Specifically, to evaluate the Good Moral Character as required for registration for a pending applicant. |  | CLOSED SESSION |
| **10:15** | **VIII** | **M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C SESSION** |  | CLOSED SESSION |
| **10:30** | **IX** | **ADJOURNMENT** |  |  |

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN PHARMACY

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL SESSION**

**Via Remote WebEx Meeting April 30, 2021**

**Board Members Present Board Members Not Present**

Julie Lanza, CPhT, President Dr. Richard Lopez, MD Sebastian Hamilton, Pharm D, MBA, RPh President-Elect Jennifer Chin, RPh Carly Jean-Francois, RN, NP Secretary

Andrew Stein, Pharm D

Susan Cornacchio, JD, RN (leaves meeting 10:01 AM) Timothy Fensky, RPh

Caryn Belisle, RPh, MBA

Leah Giambarresi, Pharm D, RPh (Leaves meeting 10:01 AM) Katie Thornell, RPh, MBA

Dawn Perry, JD (Leaves meeting 8:46 AM)

### Board Staff Present

David Sencabaugh, RPh, Executive Director Heather Engman, JD, Board Counsel

William Frisch, RPh Director of Pharmacy Compliance Michelle Chan, RPh Quality Assurance Pharmacist

Ed Taglieri, MSM, NHA, RPh, PSUD Supervisor Richard Harris, Program Analyst

Joanna Chow, Office Support Specialist Joanne Trifone, RPh, Director of Investigation Gregory Melton, PharmD, JD, Investigator

**TOPIC I**. Attendance by roll call:

### CALL TO ORDER 8:04 AM

A quorum of the Board was present, established by roll call. President J. Lanza chaired the meeting and she explained that the Board of Pharmacy was recording the meeting.

Roll call attendance: J. Lanza, yes; S. Hamilton, yes; S. Cornacchio, yes; T. Fensky, yes;

C. Belisle, yes; A. Stein; K. Thornell, yes; D. Perry, yes; C. Jean-Francois, yes, L. Giambarresi, yes.

### Topic II. Approval of Agenda TIME 8:04 AM Agenda 4/30/21

**DISCUSSION:**

Change to Agenda:

Will not hear Application: Central Street Pharmacy DS89950

### ACTION:

Motion by L. Giambarresi, seconded by C. Jean-Francois and voted unanimously by those present to approve the agenda with noted change by roll call vote.

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| **Topic III** | **Approval of Board Minutes** | **TIME: 8:05 AM** |
| Minutes1. Draft 4/16/21 |  |  |
| Change: no noted changes |  |  |

Action:

Motion by L. Giambarresi seconded D. Perry and voted unanimously to approve the regular session minutes of 4/16/21 with no noted change by roll call vote.

### TOPIC IV FLEX

1. **Pharmacy Issues Related to Covid-19 and State of Emergency Time: 8:06 AM Presented by** D. SENCABAUGH

Due to COVID restrictions, the APhA Institute on Substance Use Disorders is offering its annual training program virtually. A grant has been offered for one person to attend. The Board members will let D. SENCABAUGH know if they would like to attend.

### So noted.

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| **TOPIC V** | **Applications** |  |
| **1. Ash Pharmacy** | **New Community Pharmacy** | **TIME: 8:26 AM** |

REPRESENTED BY**:** Sampson Tona, MOR; Paul Garbarini, Attorney

RECUSAL: None

DISCUSSION: Sampson Tona is the manager and owner of Ash Pharmacy. The pharmacy is a standalone building in Worcester. The community they wish to service will be compromised of low income, Spanish community, homeless shelter and in the high-rise buildings. MOR Tona confirmed the prescription area and immunization area is separate. W. FRISCH has made the recommendation to move the controlled substance storage area, counter space of 10 sq. ft and no carpet in the non-sterile compounding area. MOR Tona has taken the steps to start meeting those recommendations. They plan to levigate ointments. The second entrance leads to Main Street with security cameras pointing to doors. There are nine cameras total. Pharmacy staff will include two more pharmacists. MOR Tona answered all the Board members questions to satisfaction.

ACTION: Motion by L. GIAMBARRESI seconded by T. FENSKY, voted unanimously by those present to approve the application pending a successful inspection.

### Central Street Pharmacy DS89950 Relocation TIME:

REPRESENTED BY**:**

Not presented.

### Resilience Boston Transfer of Ownership TIME: 8:18 AM

REPRESENTED BY**:** Christopher Grabowski, Designated representative for facility;Amanda Ashcraft, Director of Quality Assurance; Ori Solomon, General Counsel

RECUSAL: None

DISCUSSION: Sanofi (Genzyme) was acquired by National Resilience. This is a complete takeover of the facility, including manufacturing. The product made by Resilience is still licensed by Sanofi and will be marketed by them. FDA registration has been updated to reflect the change in ownership.

ACTION: Motion by S. HAMILTON seconded by T. FENSKY, voted unanimously by those present to approve the application pending a successful inspection.

### Advanced Pharmacy Solutions Transfer of Ownership TIME: 8:36 AM

REPRESENTED BY**:** Anthony Rozzi, MOR; Joseph Calomo, Owner

RECUSAL:

DISCUSSION: Preferred Pharmacy Solutions is a long-term care pharmacy who have been in business for over 12 years. They are closing 5/31/21 and Advanced Pharmacy Solutions will be the new owners. All

the inventory, building security, MOR and staff will remain. J. TRIFONE gave a summary of previous cases for inspectional deficiencies and drug violations against Preferred Pharmacy Solutions that resulted in Probation. Leadership and consulting will be new. Joseph Calomo is aware of past issues and new processes have been implemented to prevent repeat errors.

ACTION: Motion by T. FENSKY seconded by A. STEIN, voted unanimously by those present to approve the application pending a successful inspection.

### D. Perry leaves meeting 8:45 AM

**TOPIC VI Regulations**

**247 CMR 17.00: Sterile Compounding Time: 8:59 AM** **Presented by** M. CHAN, W. FRISCH

**Discussion:** These regulations have already been offered for public comment and resulted in many changes reducing the document to 13 pages. Among the changes were the inclusion of the hazardous drug standards based on USP <800> as well as changes to be consistent with the current draft of USP

<797>.

Since the proposed regulations at 247 CMR 19.00 *Hazardous Drugs* have been incorporated into to the drafted non-sterile and sterile regulations, withdrawal of that section was requested.

The updated draft will be posted on the website.

**Action:** Motion by T. FENSKY, seconded by S. HAMILTON, and voted unanimously by roll call by all those present to advance 247 CMR 17.00 *Sterile Compounding* for the administrative review process and public hearing.

**Action:** Motion by T. FENSKY, seconded by C. BELISLE, and voted unanimously by roll call by all those present to withdraw 247 CMR 19.00 *Hazardous Drugs* from the administrative review process.

### Julie Reads Executive Session Language Time: 9:23 AM

**Topic VII: Executive Session Call to Order: Time: 9:24 AM**

By: J. Lanza

ACTION: Motion by, L. Giambarresi, seconded by K. Thornell, all voted affirmatively by those present to enter executive session.

Roll call attendance: J. Lanza, yes; S. Hamilton, yes; S. Cornacchio, yes; T. Fensky, yes;

C. Belisle, yes; A. Stein; K. Thornell, yes; C. Jean-Francois, yes, L. Giambarresi, yes.

### Topic VIII: 65C Sessions MGL c. 112 section 65C Time: 9:59 AM

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION: President J. Lanza request a motion to enter 65C.

At 9:59 AM S. Hamilton, seconded by T. Fensky and voted unanimously by all those present to enter 65C by roll call vote.

### S. Cornacchio leaves meeting at 10:01 AM

1. **Giambarresi leaves meeting at 10:01 AM**

**Topic IX ADJOURMENT OF MEETING TIME: 10:04 AM**

ACTION: Motion by T. Fensky seconded by C. Jean-Francois and voted unanimously by those present, to adjourn from General Session by roll call vote.

EXHIBITS USED DURING THE OPEN SESSION OF THE MEETING

* 1. Draft Agenda of the 4/30/21 General Session
	2. Draft Minutes of the 4/16/21 Meeting
	3. Application: Ash Pharmacy New Community Pharmacy
	4. Application: Resilience Boston Wholesale Distributor Change of Ownership
	5. Application: Preferred Pharmacy Solutions Change of Ownership
	6. 247 CMR 17.00 Sterile Compounding

Respectfully Submitted,

Carly Jean-Francois, NP, Secretary