

WYOMING STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY
Meeting
Board Meeting August 7, 2014
Teleconference

Thursday August 7, 2014

Present/Absent	Board Member	Title
<i>Present</i>	Randolph A. (Randy) Harrop, R.Ph.	Board President
<i>Present</i>	Bessie McGirr, R.Ph.	Board Vice President
<i>Absent</i>	John R. McPherson, D.D.S.	Board Secretary/Treasurer
<i>Present</i>	Sigsbee Duck, M.D. R.Ph.	Board Member
<i>Present</i>	Jim Massengill, R.Ph.	Board Member
<i>Absent</i>	Kerri Kilgore, R.Ph.	Board Member
<i>Present</i>	Charles W. Smith	Board Member
<i>Present</i>	Jan Shatto, RPT, Member, Ex-Officio	

Guests/Observers:

Mary K. Walker, R.Ph.	Executive Director, Wyoming State Board of Pharmacy
H. Richard Burton, R.Ph.	Inspector/Compliance Officer, Wyoming State Board of Pharmacy
Phyllis A. Chapman	Senior Office Support Specialist, Wyoming State Board of Pharmacy
Kara Beech, B.S. CHC	Executive Director, Wyoming Pharmacy Association
Donna Artery, PharmD, R.Ph	Wyoming Department of Health
Natasha Gallizzi, PharmD, RPh	Wyoming Department of Health
Cathi Kindt	Executive Director, Sheridan Health Center
Kirsi Ludwig, PharmD, RPh	Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County Pharmacy
Kathi Schonenbach	Sheridan Health Center
Bill Rathburn, RPh	Sheridan Health Center

President Randy Harrop called the meeting to order at 7:30 am.

Mary Walker took roll of each individual on the call.

This special meeting was called to further discuss the request for a waiver to open a medication donation program in Sheridan, Wyoming.

Randy Harrop began the conversation about the non-profit status request. Kirsi Ludwig replied they are a non-profit entity but not officially. Ms. Ludwig stated they would have to have a Board, executive director and other papers in order to be non-profit. Cathi Kindt stated they do not have to be non-profit to create a pharmacy. Mr. Harrop asked if it's an option to affiliate with a 501C3 and then they would not have to have a Sheridan pharmacy organized this way. Cathi Kindt stated they need the waiver approval before any additional work could be done to the space. Mary Walker mentioned that other Wyoming medication donation programs were not 501C3 non-profit organizations. Randy Harrop would like to know if there was indeed a waiver

letter if it could state “non-profit” or “charitable” as the status to prevent questions from others requesting a waiver in the future.

Charlie Smith stated it was his goal to make it easy for the Sheridan Donation request and take away as many road blocks as possible. Mr. Smith also added each future request should be decided on it’s individual merit.

Bessie McGirr asked if the board rules could be changed to as “dispensing sites” instead of just pharmacies. Mary Walker stated the rules for donation medications in Wyoming are not under the board rules and there are many dispensing sites.

Bill Rathburn stated in other dispensing sites the provider at the location authorizes the dispensing. The Sheridan Donation program wants the pharmacist to do the dispensing.

Jan Shatto agreed with President Harrop, the board must be careful with this decision for future requests. Ms. Shatto attended a conference which pedigrees were discussed. In 2015 more information will be required on prescriptions.

Bessie McGirr stated she saw no reason to give them a pharmacy license as the board is not obstructing what they intend to do. Charlie Smith stated he usually asks “ what’s broken that needs to be fixed”? It seems the easiest way for them to go is not be a pharmacy. Kirsi Ludwig said the program wants to follow the rules and protect the public not be a hazard.

Bessie McGirr asked Natasha Gallizzi how a donation site gets registered and how she keeps track of them. Ms. Gallizzi answered that a registration process is used and quarterly reports are received. There are homeless clinics, free clinics under physician dispensing. Laramie County Centralized Pharmacy fills prescriptions no matter who the prescriber is in Laramie County.

Bessie McGirr asked if the donation pharmacy could operate as a telepharmacy. Jim Massengill answered that a telepharmacy cannot operate if there is a retail pharmacy within 25 mile radius. Even though the requirements for a telepharmacy are more lenient on space, it still requires a separate counseling area. He agreed that a pharmacist involved is a good idea.

President, Randy Harrop summarized the request for waivers as two concerns. (1) How the donation pharmacy would work under a 501C3 and (2) would the board issue a license as a retail pharmacy. Bill Rathburn answered that Mr. Harrop was correct.

Randy Harrop asked if we went forward with this license and reviewed it annually could the business organization have “charitable” on it?

Sigsbee Duck asked Richard Burton if he would give an opinion on the site visit as the inspector.

Richard Burton replied that with the current plan there is no problem with the hours and dispensing. He agreed that it is safer with a pharmacist involved. If he were to inspect, his forms

would not apply and he would only be looking at records through the rules of the Department of Health. The site would be safe if the pharmacist is doing their job. He has two concerns: (1) If anything expands they will be cramped and (2) Others will ask for similar waivers.

Natasha Gallizzi mentioned that the donation program is under the Department of Health rules but they refer to the WY Pharmacy Act Rules especially in Chapter 2.

Bessie McGirr asked for clarification: if a retail pharmacy license is issued the pharmacy could dispense anything? The answer is yes.

Cathi or Kathy from Sheridan stated: The charitable piece is okay to add. Their intent is to dispense only the donated medications. It did not make sense for them to have 500 sq feet with the limited hours and they don't need a refrigerator as no refrigerated meds can be re-dispensed under the donation rules.

Bessie McGirr stated we might be trying to put a round peg in a square hole.

Randy Harrop announced it was time to move forward. He directed the board staff to get the June and August meeting minutes and draft a document with the board attorney with specifics that can be addressed at the board meeting in Sept.

Kirsi Ludwig said that they do not have the luxury of more space.

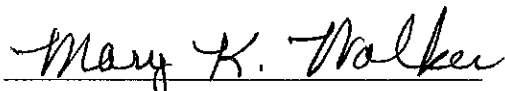
A motion was made by Jim Massengill: A document is to be drawn up for the September meeting with specifics and what is to be expected of a donation pharmacy in Sheridan County. Charlie Smith seconded the motion which passed with a 4-0 vote.

Bessie McGirr adjourned the meeting at 8:04 am.

Respectfully submitted on September 3, 2014

Notes by Phyllis Chapman, Senior Office Support Specialist

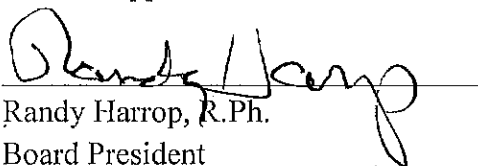
Respectfully submitted and reviewed:



Mary K. Walker, R.Ph.

Executive Director

Minutes approved and entered into record



Randy Harrop, R.Ph.

Board President