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Maine Board of Pharmacy  
Minutes of October 21, 2024, Board Meeting

Virtual Meeting Public Notification and Hearing/Viewing Instructions Provided at the Opening of the Meeting by Board President Edward Kane.

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Kane called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Edward Kane, Esq., Public Member, Board President  
Eric Norberg, RPh, Pharmacist, Vice President  
Nicholas Haar, PharmD, R.Ph., Hospital Pharmacist – *Joined meeting at 10:20 a.m.*  
Timothy McCormack, Esq., Public Member  
Cassandra White, PharmD, R.Ph., Pharmacist  
Bradley Hamilton, R.Ph., Chain Pharmacist, Complaint Officer

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Abdifatah Ahmed, PharmD, R.Ph., Independent Pharmacist

**STAFF PRESENT**

Geraldine L. Betts, Administrator  
Thomas Avery, Chief Field Investigator  
Jennifer Willis, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel  
Meagan McLaughlin, Comprehensive Health Planner II  
Clark Phinney, Comprehensive Health Planner II  
Dominic Cotone, Comprehensive Health Planner I

**MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

**RULEMAKING – REVIEW AND ACCEPT THE BASIS STATEMENT AND  
RESPONSE TO COMMENTS AND VOTE TO ADOPT RULES**

*Chapter 7: Licensure and Employment of Pharmacy Technicians (Amend)*

White moved to accept the basis statement and response to comments as written and adopt text as proposed, seconded by McCormack. Hamilton, Kane and Norberg in favor. Ahmed and Haar absent.

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*Chapter 41: Sale of Nonprescription Drugs Through Vending Machine Outlets (Amend)*

Hamilton moved to accept the basis statement and response to comments as written and adopt text, seconded by White. Kane, McCormack and Norberg in favor. Ahmed and Haar absent.

*Chapter 43: Prescribing, Dispensing and Administering HIV Prevention Drugs (New)*

White moved to table the basis statement and summary of comments, seconded by Hamilton. Kane, McCormack and Norberg in favor. Ahmed and Haar absent.

*Chapter 44: Pharmacist Authorization to Make Certain Contraception Accessible (New)*

White moved to accept the basis statement and response to comments with changes and adopt text, seconded by Hamilton, Kane, McCormack and Norberg in favor. Ahmed and Haar absent.

**RULEMAKING- ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON**

Hamilton moved to elect Timothy McCormack as Chair of Subcommittee for Rulemaking, seconded by Norberg. Kane, McCormack in favor, White not in favor. Ahmed and Haar absent.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business to discuss, Hamilton moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by McCormack. Haar, Kane, Norberg and White in favor, Ahmed absent.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

*Prepared By: Meagan McLaughlin, Comprehensive Health Planner II  
Board approved: November 7, 2024*