

**DRAFT MINTUES
TRIPARTITE COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 16, 2009
11:00 A.M.**

**CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: 1-888-808-6959
CODE: 5642037**

Committee Members Present:

Carmen Aceves Blumenthal, RPh, Group A
Lorena Risch, Group A
Art Wharton, RPh, Group A
Bernard Fischer, RPh., CPh, FASCP, Group B
Jim Powers, BPharm, Group B
Carsten Evans, Ph.D., RPh, Group C
David L. Laven, NPh, CRPh, FASHP, FAPhA, Group C
Steve Melvin, PharmD, Group C
Fritz Hayes, RPh, Group D
Michael Jackson, RPh, Group D
Day Marice Scott, PharmD, BCPS, Group D
Mike McQuone, Group E
Michele S. Weizer, PharmD, BCPS, Group E

Staff Members Present:

Rebecca Poston, BPharm
Kelli Ferrell, BPharm, MSc
Ronda Bryan, POA

Board Counsel Present:

Lee Ann Gustafson

Committee Members Absent:

Angela Singh, PharmD, Group B
Julie Wilkinson, PharmD, Group E

Call To Order: Fritz Hayes, RPh, Chair
Mr. Hayes called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Tab 1 Approval of June 9, 2009, Minutes

Action Taken: After discussion, Dr. Weizer moved to approve the meeting minutes with the following corrections:

Under Tab 1 – Change “Quarterly” to “Quality”
Delete “JCAHO” and replace with “TJC”
Delete “Information Privacy and Protection Act and
replace with “Insurance Portability and Accountability
Act”

Dr. Wharton seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Tab 2 Rules Update

1. Review draft language for Rule 64B16-26.601, Standards for
Approval of Continuing Education Courses and Providers

Mr. Hayes stated as Chair how to differentiate between an attendee to a program verses a provider offering a program.

Dr. Weizer suggested removing the individual program approval language from Rule 64B16-26.601, Florida Administrative Code (FAC) to Rule 64B16-26.103, F.A.C. because the language applies to an individual request and not a provider.

Action Taken: After discussion, Mr. Hayes stated that they would re-address the rule in January.

2. Review draft language for Rule 64B16-26.103 Continuing Education

Mr. Hayes went over the proposed changes in Rule 64B16-26.103, F.A.C.

The committee noted that the proposed rule language should include “registered” before pharmacy technicians throughout the rule and reference registration instead of license. Under section (1)(j) amend 2 credits to 1 credit.

There was much discussion and concern regarding whether or not staff is able to monitor the number of hours a presenter is reporting under general continuing education. The proposed rule allows a presenter to receive 1 credit for each course credit hour presented but the presenter will not receive additional credit for multiple same course presentations.

Action Taken: Mr. Hayes stated that the rule would move to the Full Board for consideration.

3. Review 64B16-26.600 Tripartite Committee Meeting

Mr. Hayes noted that the Full Board might be updating this rule to allow the Tripartite Committee to review Pharmacy Technician Training Programs.

Mr. Jackson stated there has been Board discussion whether or not if the Tripartite Committee could be involved with assisting the Board in approving Pharmacy Technician Training Programs. What he gathered out of that discussion, is that the Tripartite Committee could not be in charge of approving training programs because the Statute does not allow that but the Tripartite Committee could make recommendations to the Board.

Dr. Weizer suggested that the Board consider extending the Tripartite Committee member's appointment term because it is difficult to find members willing to serve.

Tab 3 Program/Provider Approval Discussions

1. Lois Adams, Cystic Fibrosis Pharmacy, Inc.

Ms. Adams was present and provided testimony regarding the individual course she submitted for continuing education credits. Ms. Adams stated that she was disappointed to find out that the Tripartite Committee did not approve this course. She has received approval for the same course in the past.

Mr. Hayes stated that the application did not include the course goals and objections. The committee did not have the reference materials to make a decision according to the guidance provided by the Board. Therefore, the committee referred the application to the Board for consideration.

Mr. Hayes advised the committee that the Board would be reviewing Ms. Adams application at a future meeting.

No Tab Mr. Jackson asked Mr. Hayes if the on-line continuing education approval process is available to start approving applications on-line.

Ms. Ferrell informed the committee that staff is currently working on implementing this new continuing education approval process and will provide the committee members in the near future with an implementation date.

Tab 4 Questions and Answers

Adjourn: No further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.