

LOUISIANA BOARD OF DRUG AND DEVICE DISTRIBUTORS

Board Meeting

MINUTES

October 19, 2020

AGENDA ITEM 1 - Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Robert Broadus, Chairman, at approximately 10:05 am. The meeting was held via telecommunication conference call.

Pursuant to Act 302 of the 2020 Louisiana Legislature Regular Session and under the State of Emergency proclaimed by Governor John Bel Edwards, Proclamation 135 JBE 2020, Mr. Broadus certified that the item(s) on the agenda for discussion by the members of the Board during this meeting held Monday, October 19, 2020 are matters critical to continuation of Board business and that are not able to be postponed to a meeting held in accordance with other statutory provisions due to legal requirements or other deadlines that cannot be postponed or delayed by the Board.

AGENDA ITEM 2 - Roll Call and Introduction of Public Guests in Attendance

Mr. Broadus called the roll of attendance; those Board members in attendance via telecommunication conference call that called out were Mr. Broadus, Mike Davis, Randall Brooks, Chad Gielen, Jacob Dickson, Jim Delatte, and Trion Horgan. There were no members absent; there is one vacant Board seat. Also present via telecommunication conference call from the Board's administrative office as called out were George Lovecchio, Executive Director and Kimberly Barbier, Executive Assistant. The Board's regulatory counsel, John Becknell III, also called out in attendance via telecommunication conference call. Mr. Broadus called for any public guests to identify; there were no public guests in attendance via the telecommunication conference call.

AGENDA ITEM 3 - Old Business

- a. House Concurrent Resolution 71 of the 2020 Legislative Regular Session
- i. Emergency Rule

Mr. Lovecchio clarified that HCR 71 requires licensing boards to suspend its license renewal fees for the current fiscal year 2021 (July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021). These requirements are to be enacted by the Board through an emergency rule. Emergency rules are valid upon adoption by the Board for 120 days. The proposed emergency rule was initially adopted by the Board on June 23, 2020 and published in the Louisiana Register August 20, 2020. The current emergency rule expires on or about 10/21/2020. The proposed emergency rule as previously adopted was presented for review. **Motion was made by Mr. Dickson to approve and adopt the emergency rule as presented for promulgation seconded by Mr. Brooks, and passed by voice vote - FOR: Mr. Davis, Mr. Brooks, Mr. Gielen, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Delatte, and Mr. Horgan; AGAINST: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAINED: None; RECUSED: None.**

Mr. Lovecchio noted that since emergency rules are valid for 120 days, the emergency rule will likely be required for adoption two more times through June 30, 2021 to be in compliance with HCR 71.

It was noted that there were no public comments submitted to the Board's general email address, admin@drugboard.La.gov, either before or during the Board meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 4 - Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, **motion was made by Mr. Brooks to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Delatte, and passed by voice vote - FOR: Mr. Davis, Mr. Brooks, Mr. Gielen, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Delatte, and Mr. Horgan; AGAINST: None; ABSENT: None; ABSTAINED: None; RECUSED: None.**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:15 am.

Approved and accepted by the full Board -

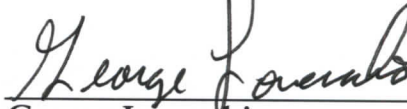
Date:

December 8, 2020



Randall Brooks

Board Secretary/Treasurer



George Lovecchio

Executive Director