

South Carolina Board of Pharmacy Board Meeting

Minutes/Motions

9:00 a.m. October 1-2, 2025

Synergy Business Park
110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina
Kingstree Building, Lowcountry Conference Room

Dr. Smith called the meeting to order and announced the meeting is being held in accordance with the Section 30-4-8 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act by notice sent to The State Newspaper, Associated Press, WIS TV and all other Requesting persons, organizations or news media. In addition, notice was posted on the bulletin Board at the main entrance of the Kingstree Building.

BOARD MEMBER PRESENT:

Mary Douglass Smith, PharmD, Chair
Laney S. Spigener, III, PharmD, Vice Chair
Larry Meek, R.Ph.
Jarrod Tippins, PharmD
Josias A. Garcia, CPT
Cassey Eunice, PharmD
Dottie Farfone, R.Ph.
Rebecca Gillespie, PharmD

SCLLR STAFF PRESENT:

Kayce Shealy, PharmD, Board Administrator
Carolyn Sutherland, Esq, Advice Counsel
Stephanie Calhoun, Program Coordinator
Sheila Young, R.Ph., Staff
Julia Bales, PharmD, Staff
Ray Trotter, R.Ph., Investigator
Jennifer Harris, PharmD, Investigator
Ivy Coleman, PharmD, Inspector
Alison Gratton, PharmD, Inspector
Douglas Murray, PharmD, Inspector
Martin Chain, PharmD, Inspector

REPORTED BY:

Andy Taylor, Court Reporter

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Spigener motioned to approve the agenda. Dr. Gillespie seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION FOR EXCUES FOR ABSENCES OF BOARD MEMBERS

Dr. Gillespie motioned to approve the excused absence of Beverly Black. Dr. Spigener seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 18-19, 2025, June 17, 2025, June 30, 2025 September 4, 2025 and September 11, 2025 MINUTES

Dr. Gillespie motioned to approve the Board meeting minutes. Dr. Eunice seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS-Mary Douglass Smith, PharmD

Chairwoman Smith provided remarks as the new Chair for the Board of Pharmacy. She stated her expectations for the meeting to include healthy discourse, sharp focus, and to move through the agenda with efficiency and purpose. She provided an overview of the planned meeting, and encouraged the other members to not lose sight of the mission to protect the citizens of South Carolina.

INSPECTORS' REPORTS

Ms. Gratton provided the following items in her update: almost thirty percent of her inspections since the last board meeting have been new permitting; she has still been receiving reports of break-ins; most questions from her area involve compounding, specifically regarding whether compounds with additives may be purchased for use. Mr. Murray stated he is also seeing more new permits in his inspections, including physician or provider clinics. Mr. Chan stated that pharmacies in the Upstate are doing an excellent job complying with the Practice Act. Ms. Coleman provided that she has been working on a backlog of inspections in her area, and working to build relationships as the newer inspector with the Board.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT-Kayce Shealy, PharmD

Board Executive Shealy presented the following report to the Board for information only. She provided an updated license and permit holder count of 9/22/25, which does not include contract manufacturers as the applications for the contract manufacturer permit are still being developed. Dr. Shealy provided an update on the number of inspections completed since the last meeting, and stated that two new positions have been approved by the Agency, with interviews occurring in October. Dr. Shealy made the Board aware of correspondence the office has received from various stakeholders regarding compounding, specifically related to GLP-1 agents. She also made the Board aware of recent communication sent to licensees and permit holders as well as to practitioners with the Boards of Medical Examiners and Nursing regarding the need to obtain medications from permitted sources. Lastly, she updated the Board to the recent changes to the immunization protocol that were approved by the Board of Medical Examiners in September.

FINANCE REPORT

Dr. Shealy, Board Executive, presented the Board with financial information for June -August 2025 and the current cash balance as information.

OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT-JENNIFER HARRIS, INVESTIGATOR, AND RAY TROTTER, INVESTIGATOR

Dr. Harris presented the following report for information purposes only: Between January 1, 2025 – September 4, 2025 there were seventy-two (72) active investigations, one hundred sixty-five (165) closed cases and total complaints received are one hundred and ninety-six (196).

IRC Statistical Report and IRC Recommendations- Dr. Harris and Attorney Smith, answered questions relating to the IRC recommendations.

Dismissals (20)

Formal Complaints (10)

Letters of Caution (4)

Dr. Gillespie moved to accept the IRC recommendations. Dr. Spigener seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL-CASEY SMITH, ESQ

ODC Statistical Report

Casey Smith, Esq. presented the ODC statistical report regarding disciplinary matters as of September 17, 2025. The report indicated the following: there are currently thirty-five (35) open cases, eleven (11) pending hearings and agreements, no cases pending closure, eight (8) cases closed since June 4, 2025, and a total of

twenty-two (22) cases closed since January 1, 2025. Additionally, there were no appeals.

As requested by the Board, reports from September 11, 2024, through the June 4, 2025, Board meetings were provided as information.

One consent agreement, Case 2025-37, was presented for approval. However, Dr. Spigener moved to deny the consent agreement and have the respondent appear before the Board. Dr. Gillespie seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

There were five (5) voluntary surrenders, three (3) relinquishments and one (1) temporary suspension presented to the Board and accepted as information.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Health System Pharmacy Committee-Mary Douglass Smith, PharmD

A quorum was not met at the last committee meeting. Therefore, the meeting could not commence.

RPP Committee-Mary Douglass Smith, PharmD

Dr. Smith was not able to attend the last South Carolina Recovering Professional Program meeting. She directed the Board members to review the Pharmacy Board Report and the 2nd Quarter RPP report in the Board materials.

Practice & Technology Committee-Rebecca Gillespie, PharmD

The Committee met on August 14, and reviewed Policy Number 152, Automated Secure Pharmacy Pickup Kiosk and Locker Systems from September 2023. The committee did not have any recommendations for the Board at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

Proposed Compounding Regulations

Dr. Spigener expressed that the Board's focus should be on patient safety, and that he will not support any regulation to the contrary. Ms. Farfone stated that USP does set the level high for expectations, and that a compromise needs to be further explored. Dr. Eunice stated that she felt the process that has been discussed with the Board writing the regulation would allow for a granular look at USP to determine which pieces to incorporate into regulatory language. Dr. Spigener asked for the discussion to be paused until the end of meeting to ensure more time was available for action.

Dr. Gillespie motioned to submit the regulations before the legislative deadline and also have a compounding taskforce to convene as soon as possible. Ms. Farfone seconded the motion, which did not carry forward.

Proposed Outsourcing Facility Regulations

Dr. Shealy informed the Board of public comment that was received on the proposed regulations. Dr. Eunice suggested that the organization of the proposed regulations be improved. She also discussed the need to further evaluate the impact of incorporating cGMP requirements into the regulation, which would require additional training for the inspectors. Dr. Julia Bales, pharmacist with the Board, provided her experience operating a 503B facility at the Board's request. Dr. Eunice moved to seek legal advice regarding proposed regulations later in the day; Dr. Gillespie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

After reviewing public comment submitted, the Board proposed the amended regulations be submitted before the legislative deadline.

NEW BUSINESS

Jurisprudence Exam Survey-Uniform MPJE and Early Offering-Kayce Shealy, PharmD

Dr. Shealy provided information from NABP regarding the upcoming uniform MPJE and early offering of the MPJE; both will be available for adoption in summer 2026 if the Board chooses. Dr. Gillespie moved for the

Board Executive to continue gathering information for consideration on both topics; Dr. Spigener seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Approval of Accredited Schools and Colleges of Pharmacy, Certified by the Accreditation Council on Pharmacy Education

- Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy-**Dean Gumina**
- Medical University of South Carolina College of Pharmacy-**Dean Hall**
- University of South Carolina College of Pharmacy-**Columbus Campus-Dean Cutler**

Each program provided an update to the Board regarding enrollment, exam pass rates, residency match rates, and accreditation status, among other items. The Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy received a Notification of Accreditation with Probation Status from ACPE due to non-compliance with Standards 18 and 19.

Disciplinary Complaint Process Training-Casey Smith, Esq.

Ms. Smith discussed the complaint process and IRC with the Board.

Association Updates-SCHA, SCPhA, SCSHP

Brian Clark, CEO of SCPhA, provided an update on membership, events held, and continuing education offered. Mr. Clark also updated the Board on pending legislation focusing on PBM reform, updating the Pharmacy Access Act, scope of practice, and unborn child protections.

Dr. Harrison Jozefczyk, outgoing President of SCSHP, provided an update on membership, events held, and upcoming continuing education opportunities. Dr. Jozefczyk also updated the Board on SCSHP's legislative priorities to include the 340B program and compounding regulations.

A representative from SCHA was unable to attend, and no report was provided.

Executive Session

Dr. Spigener moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss prior agenda items and to include Dr. Kayce Shealy; Dr. Gillespie seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Dr. Spigener moved to come out of Executive Session; Dr. Gillespie seconded the motion which carried unanimously. No motions were made and no votes were taken while in Executive Session.

Clarification for Non-Resident Facility Operational Report-Julia Bales, PharmD

Dr. Bales presented that some permit types may only receive an initial operational inspection by their resident state board, and not have any follow up inspections for years. These entities include wholesale distributors, manufacturers, third-party logistics providers, medical gas and legend device providers, non-dispensing drug outlets, and virtual entities. Previously, staff requested that a six-month operational inspection be required only for non-resident pharmacies, including mail-order, 503B facilities, and central fill pharmacies. Staff asked for clarification on which non-resident entities must have a six-month operational inspection before being eligible for permitting in South Carolina. Additionally, staff asked whether virtual entities, including wholesale distributors and manufacturers, needed an operational inspection prior to permitting.

Dr. Gillespie moved that only non-resident pharmacies, non-resident central fill pharmacies, and non-resident outsourcing facilities must have a six-month operational inspection prior to being permitted in our state. Dr. Spigener seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Dr. Gillespie also moved that non-resident virtual entities such as virtual wholesalers and virtual manufacturers are not required to have an operational inspection prior to being permitted with South Carolina. Dr. Spigener seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Meeting Updates-District III and MALTAGON

Dr. Smith provided updates from the District III meeting held in Louisville, Kentucky September 7-10, 2025 for information only. Dr. Spigener provided updates from the MALTAGON meeting held in Norman, Oklahoma September 20-24, 2025 for information only.

NABP Task Force and Committee Reports

Ms. Farfone provided an update on the NABP Task Force on Drugs Lost in Transit for information only.

Board of Pharmacy Committees and other volunteer opportunities-Mary D. Smith, PharmD

Dr. Smith expressed interest in revamping or updating the Board committees to establish more clear directives, membership expectations, and terms. She discussed developing by-laws in the future, and the Board discussed differences between committees, advisory panels and task forces.

- Pharmacy Technician
- Practice & Technology
- Legislative
- Compounding
- Health System Pharmacy

Dr. Spigener moved to dissolve the standing committees as they currently stand. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Dr. Smith stated that the Board valued and appreciated everyone who served on a committee within the past year, and reiterated that the move to dissolve the committees was not a reflection of any service provided to any committee.

UPCOMING 2026 MEETINGS

2026 Board Meetings

Dr. Gillespie moved to accept the 2026 Board meeting dates. Dr. Spigener seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Reciprocity Interviews

Dr. Gillespie moved to accept the 2026 reciprocity interview dates. Dr. Eunice seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The board members will provide dates of availability to staff.

ReGeneis Mobile Clinic Update-Kelly Hunt, R.Ph.

Mr. Hunt provided an update on the mobile clinic that the Board approved in September 2024 for information only.

Request Approval of Pharmacy Degree (Foreign) in lieu of Pharmacy Technician Training Course-Cecilia Evangelista

Dr. Spigener recused himself from participating in the appearance of Ms. Evangelista.

Dr. Gillespie moved to approve the request of a foreign graduate degree in lieu of the required Pharmacy Technician Training Program. Mr. Meek seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Request to Retake the NAPLEX Exam-Tamara Salem, PharmD

Ms. Farfone moved to allow Dr. Salem to retake the NAPLEX again for the sixth time. Dr. Tippins seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

APPLICANT APPEARANCES

Request Approval of Pharmacy Technician Application-Carli Flynn

The consideration of this application has been postponed until the applicant appears before the Board.

Request Approval of Pharmacy Technician Application-Shamartha S. Gethers

The consideration of this application has been postponed until the applicant appears before the Board.

Request Approval of Pharmacy Technician Application-Shiriqua Sanders

Dr. Gillespie moved to approve the Pharmacy Technician Application. Dr. Spigener seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Request Approval of Pharmacy Technician Application-Alyla Foster

The consideration of this application has been postponed until the applicant appears before the Board.

Request Approval of Pharmacy Technician Application-Alyssa A. Fischer

Dr. Spigener moved to approve the Pharmacy Technician Application. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Request Approval of Pharmacy Technician Application-Travey H. Mason

The consideration of this application has been postponed per the applicant's request.

Request Approval of Pharmacy Technician Application-Alexa Jane Boyd

Dr. Gillespie moved to approve the Pharmacy Technician Application. Dr. Spigener seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

BOARD ORDER(S)

Request Release from Board Order-Darron Barksdale, R.Ph.

Dr. Spigener moved to go into executive session for legal advice. Dr. Eunice second the motion, which carried unanimously.

Dr. Spigener moved to come out of executive session. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. There were no motions made and no votes taken while in executive session.

Dr. Spigener moved to deny the request to be released from the current Board order. Dr. Gillespie seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

ADJOURN-Dr. Spigener moved to adjourn the meeting until the following day. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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9:00 A.M., October 2, 2025

Synergy Business Park

110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina
Kingtree Building, Lowcountry Conference Room

Thursday, October 2, 2025

Dr. Gillespie moved to excuse absences of Dr. Eunice and Ms. Black from the second day of the Board meeting. Dr. Spigener seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

NON-RESIDENT APPLICATION HEARING

Request Approval of Non-Resident Pharmacy Permit Application-CASAPHARMA RX

The application hearing was continued at the request of the applicant.

HEARINGS

In the Matter of:

Case# 2022-174

This case is continued per the respondent's request.

Case# 2025-52

Dr. Gillespie moved to accept the hearing officer recommendation. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion, which carried.

Case# 2025-53

Dr. Gillespie moved to accept the hearing officer recommendation. Dr. Spigener seconded the motion, which carried.

Case# 2025-54

Dr. Gillespie moved to accept the hearing officer recommendation. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion, which carried.

Case# 2025-55

Dr. Gillespie moved to accept the hearing officer recommendation. Dr. Tippins seconded the motion, which carried.

Case# 2025-63

Dr. Gillespie moved to go into executive session for legal advice. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion, which carried.

Dr. Gillespie moved to come out of executive session. Dr. Spigener seconded the motion, which carried.

Ms. Farfone moved the following: to accept the MOA and note the violations of 40-43-86(DD)(5)(e); issue a public reprimand; reinstate the license with one year probation, successfully complete conditions beginning at the date of the order. Licensee must pay a \$500 fine within 90 days of the order. Failure to comply with the order is grounds for administrative suspension. Dr. Spigener seconded the motion, which carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Board chair ask for public comments. There was no one in attendance to offer a comment.

ADJOURN

Dr. Spigener motioned to adjourn. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion, which carried.

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