

ENGLISH PHARMACY BOARD MEETING – OPEN BUSINESS

Minutes of the open meeting held on Thursday 29th September 2022 at 13.30 in the Events Space, 66 East Smithfield, London, E1W 1AW and by Zoom.

Present:

English Pharmacy Board

Thorrund Govind (TG) Chair, Martin Astbury (MA) Vice Chair, Adebayo Adegbite (AA), Claire Anderson (CA), Emma Boxer (EM), Sibby Buckle (SB), Ciara Duffy (CD), Mary Evans (ME), Brendon Jiang (BJ), Ewan Maule (EM), Erutase (Tase) Oputu (TO), Michael Maguire (MM), Paul Summerfield (PS) (joined via zoom)

In attendance:

RPS Staff

Paul Bennett (PB) Chief Executive, Jenny Allen (JA) CPhO Fellow to the RPS, Yvonne Dennington (YD) Business Manager, England, Amandeep Doll (AD) Head of Professional Belonging; John Lunny (JL), Public Affairs Lead England, Ravi Sharma (RS) Director for England

In Attendance

Priyanka Patel, President, BPSA (by zoom)
Sunaya Shah, Chair of Industrial Pharmacists' Group (by zoom)
RPS member observers (by zoom)

Apologies

Alisdair Jones (AJ),

22.09.EPB.01	<p>Welcome and Apologies</p> <p>The Chair welcomed board members, staff, invited guests and observers to the meeting and noted apologies from Alisdair Jones.</p>	
22.09.EPB.02	<p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>The EPB noted paper 22.09.EPB.02C along with the amendments made by Brendon Jiang and Sibby Buckle.</p>	
22.09.EPB.03	<p>Minutes of the Previous meeting on 28 June 2022</p> <p>The EPB noted paper 22.09.EPB.03 and confirmed that these minutes were an accurate record of proceedings. The minutes were approved by Martin Astbury and seconded by Claire Anderson,</p> <p>There were no matters arising from these minutes.</p>	
22.09.EPB.04	<p>Sectoral Places</p> <p>The EPB noted paper 22.09.EPB.04 and appendix.</p> <p>The Chair invited discussion on whether we need a return to sectoral places for the 2023 elections.</p> <p>The board had a lengthy discussion on the pros and cons of sectoral places with some very valid points made. Due to there being no elections in 2020, the year of the pandemic, there will only be one vacant place on the board in 2023 so it was felt a return to sectoral places for 2023 would not be relevant or necessary but all agreed that this item would need to be discussed on an annual basis.</p> <p>It was noted that the board currently is diverse and has a good mix of sectors but that may not always be the case which is why it is important to review annually.</p>	

22.09.EPB.05	Any other business <u>Ravi Sharma leaving the RPS on 4 October 2022</u> The Chair led the thanks to Ravi for his contributions to the RPS and the EPB in his four year career at the RPS. Ravi has opened many doors for the RPS and has had a massive impact. He will be missed. All wished him well in the next steps of his career.	
22.09.EPB.06	Dates of next NPB/EPB meetings: National Pharmacy Board meeting (NPB) –8 February 2023 Dates for other meetings in 2023 are still to be confirmed.	