#### United States SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### Form 8-K

#### Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

May 2, 2017 (May 1, 2017) Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

### **PHARMACYTE BIOTECH, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

<u>Nevada</u>

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

<u>333-68008</u> (Commission File Number) <u>62-1772151</u> (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

23046 Avenida de la Carlota, Suite 600 Laguna Hills, CA (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**92653** (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (917) 595-2850

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

[] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act

[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act

# Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On May 1, 2017, the Board of Directors ("Board") of PharmaCyte Biotech, Inc., a Nevada corporation ("Company"), appointed Thomas C. K. Yuen ("Mr. Yuen") to the Board to fill a vacancy created by the departure of certain members of the Board in October 2014.

In connection with Mr. Yuen's appointment to the Board, the Company entered into a letter agreement ("Letter Agreement") with Mr. Yuen pursuant to which the Company agreed to pay Mr. Yuen \$12,500 in cash for each calendar quarter of service on the Board and agreed to issue annually: (i) 250,000 fully-paid, non-assessable shares of the Company's restricted common stock ("Shares"); and (ii) a five-year option to purchase 250,000 shares of the Company's restricted common stock ("Option") to Mr. Yuen at an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the date of grant. The Shares and the Option were fully vested on the date of the grants. The Board of Directors approved the initial issuances of the Shares and the Option on May 1, 2017, and the Option has an exercise price of \$0.0734 per share.

The foregoing description of the Letter Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of the Letter Agreement, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein.

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 is a copy of the Company's press release dated May 1, 2017, regarding the appointment of Mr. Yuen to the Company's Board. The information furnished in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

- 10.1 Letter Agreement between the Company and Mr. Yuen dated May 1, 2017.
- 99.1 PharmaCyte Biotech, Inc. press release dated May 2, 2017 (furnished pursuant to Item 7.01).

# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: May 2, 2017

# PHARMACYTE BIOTECH, INC.

By: <u>/s/ Kenneth L. Waggoner</u> Kenneth L. Waggoner Chief Executive Officer President and General Counsel

# EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	
No.	Description

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#### VIA EMAIL ONLY

May 1, 2017

Mr. Thomas C. K. Yuen 2917 Daimler Street Santa Ana, California 92705

#### Re: Director Offer Letter

Dear Mr. Yuen:

This letter shall constitute an agreement ("<u>Agreement</u>") between you and PharmaCyte Biotech ("<u>Company</u>") and contains all the terms and conditions relating to your service to the Company as a member of our Board of Directors.

1. <u>Term</u>. This Agreement will become effective as of May 1, 2017 ("<u>Effective Date</u>") and continue until your resignation or removal, or until your successor is duly elected and qualified. Your position will be subject to re-election each year at the annual shareholders' meeting and, upon re-election, the terms and provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

#### 2. Services.

**2.1. Duties.** You shall render services as a member of the Board in accordance with high professional and ethical standards and in accordance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations pertaining to your performance under this Agreement. You shall use your best efforts to attend all meetings of the Board called from time to time, either in-person or by telephone. You will serve as member of the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee of the Board and shall use your best efforts to attend meetings of each Committee as required by its members pursuant to the Charter of each Committee or as may be called from time to time. As an independent director, you may also be required to attend meetings with the other independent directors without the presence of the Company's officers and non-independent directors. The services described in this Section 2.1 shall hereinafter be referred to as your "Duties."

**2.2.** <u>Reporting</u>. While this Agreement is in effect, you shall immediately advise the Company if: (i) you know, have reason to know, or believe, that you are no longer independent; and (ii) you serve on an audit committee of any other public company.

3. <u>Services for Others</u>. You shall be free to represent or perform services for other persons during the term of this Agreement. You represent, however, that you do not presently perform and do not intend to perform, during the term of this Agreement, similar duties, consulting, or other services for companies whose businesses are or would be in any way competitive with the Company (except for companies previously disclosed by you to the Company in writing). Should you propose to perform similar duties, consulting, or other services for any such company, you agree to notify the Company in writing in advance (specifying the name of the organization for whom you propose to perform such services) and to provide information to the Company sufficient to allow it to determine if the performance of such services would conflict with your duties as a director of the Company.



#### 4. Compensation.

**4.1.** <u>Cash</u>. The Company will pay you cash compensation of \$12,500 per quarter, payable in advance and pro-rated for periods of less than a quarter. You shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses documented and incurred by you in performing your Duties (including travel expenses for meetings you attend in-person).

**4.2.** Equity Grants. Commencing on the Effective Date and on each anniversary date of the Effective Date, you will be issued annually: (i) 250,000 fully-paid, non-assessable shares of the Company's restricted common stock ("Shares"); and (ii) a five-year option to purchase 250,000 shares of the Company's restricted common stock at an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the date of the grant ("Option"). The Shares and the Option will be fully vested as of the date of the grant. The Company will issue you a Stock Option Agreement to evidence the Option in the form typically used by the Company.

**4.3.** <u>Service on Additional Board Committee</u>. Should you be named to any additional committee of the Board, the Compensation Committee of the Board will determine any additional compensation, if any, that you will receive for serving on such committee.

**4.4.** <u>**Taxes**</u>. You are solely responsible for taxes arising out of any compensation paid by the Company to you under this Agreement, and you understand that you will be issued a U.S. Treasury form 1099 for any compensation paid to you by the Company. The Company will comply with any tax or withholding obligations as required by applicable law from time to time related to this Agreement.

5. <u>D&O Insurance Policy</u>. During the term of this Agreement, the Company shall include you as an insured under its existing director's and officer's insurance policy, with coverage determined annually by the Company and the Board.

6. <u>No Assignment</u>. Because of the personal nature of the services to be rendered by you, this Agreement may not be assigned by you without the prior written consent of the Company.

7. <u>Confidential Information; Non-Disclosure</u>. In consideration of your access to the premises of the Company and/or you access to certain confidential information of the Company, you hereby represent and agree as follows:

7.1. <u>Definition</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "<u>Confidential Information</u>" means:

**a.** Any information that the Company possesses that has been created, discovered, or developed by or for the Company and that has or could have commercial value or utility in the business in which the Company is engaged;

**b.** Any information provided to the Board at or for meetings of the Board and any information relating to proceedings of the Board; or

personnel.

c. Any information that is related to the business of the Company and is generally not known by non-Company

7.2. Exclusions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term Confidential Information does not include:

**a.** Any information that becomes generally available to the public other than as a result of a breach of this Agreement, or any other agreement requiring confidentiality between the Company and you;

**b.** Information received from a third party in rightful possession of such information who is not restricted from disclosing such information; and

**c.** Information known by you prior to receipt of such information from the Company, which prior knowledge can be documented.

**7.3. Documents.** You agree that, without the express prior written consent of the Company, you will not remove from the Company's premises, any notes, formulas, programs, data, records, machines, or any other documents or items that in any manner contain or constitute Confidential Information, nor will you make reproductions or copies of the same. In the event you receive any such documents or items by personal delivery from any duly designated or authorized personnel of the Company, you shall be deemed to have received the express written consent of the Company. In the event that you receive any such documents or items. You shall promptly return any such documents or items, along with any reproductions or copies to the Company upon the Company's demand, upon termination of this Agreement, or upon your termination or Resignation, as defined in Section 8, below.

**7.4.** No Disclosure. You agree that you will hold in trust and confidence all Confidential Information and will not disclose to others, directly or indirectly, any Confidential Information or anything relating to such information without the prior written consent of the Company, except as maybe necessary in the course of your relationship with the Company. You further agree that you will not use any Confidential Information other than in connection with your service as a member of the Board without the prior written consent of the Company. The provisions of this Section 7.4 shall survive termination of this Agreement.

8. <u>Termination and Resignation</u>. Your membership on the Company's Board may be terminated for any or no reason except as provided in the Company's organizational documents or pursuant to applicable law. You may also terminate your membership on the Board for any or no reason by delivering your written notice of resignation to the Company ("<u>Resignation</u>"). Such Resignation shall be effective on the later of the date of its delivery or the date specified in the Resignation. Upon the effective date of the terminate, subject to the Company's obligations to pay you any compensation that you have already earned and to reimburse you for approved expenses already incurred in connection with you performing your Duties as of the effective date of such termination or Resignation.



9. <u>Not an Employee</u>. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as a contract of employment/engagement between you and the Company or as a commitment on the part of the Company to retain you in any capacity, for any period of time or under any specific terms or conditions, or to continue your service to the Company beyond any period.

**10.** <u>Governing Law; Consent to Jurisdiction</u>. All questions with respect to the construction and/or enforcement of this Agreement, and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder, shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of California applicable to agreements made and to be performed entirely in the State of California. The parties hereby consent to the jurisdiction of the courts having jurisdiction over matters arising in California for any proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement.

11. Entire Agreement; Amendment; Waiver; Counterparts. This Agreement expresses the entire understanding with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes and terminates any prior oral or written agreements with respect to the subject matter hereof. Any term of this Agreement may be amended and observance of any term of this Agreement may be waived only with the written consent of the parties hereto. Waiver of any term or condition of this Agreement by any party shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach or failure of the same term or condition or waiver of any other term or condition of this Agreement shall not affect the right of any such party to require future performance of such provision or any other provision of this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in separate counterparts each of which will be an original and all of which taken together will constitute one and the same agreement, and may be executed using facsimiles of signatures, and a facsimile of a signature shall be deemed to be the same, and equally enforceable, as an original of such signature.

[Signature page to follow]

This Agreement has been executed and delivered by the undersigned and is made effective as of the date set first set forth above.

Sincerely,

PharmaCyte Biotech, Inc.

By: /s/ Kenneth L. Waggoner

Name:Kenneth L. WaggonerTitle:Chief Executive OfficerPresident and General Counsel

## AGREED AND ACCEPTED:

/s/ Thomas C. K. Yuen Name: Thomas C. K. Yuen

# PHARMACYTE BIOTECH

#### PharmaCyte Biotech Appoints Thomas Yuen to Board of Directors

LAGUNA HILLS, Calif., May 2, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- PharmaCyte Biotech, Inc. (OTCQB: PMCB), a clinical stage biotechnology company focused on developing targeted therapies for cancer and diabetes using its signature live-cell encapsulation technology, Cell-in-a-Box<sup>®</sup>, today announced the appointment of Thomas Yuen to its Board of Directors.

Mr. Yuen's stellar career is exemplified by his global entrepreneurial experience and extraordinary leadership. He co-founded Irvine-based AST Research, Inc. (AST) in 1981. AST was an early pioneer of the computer industry, and the company has been referred to as "the flagship of innovation in the PC era." He served as AST's Co-Chairman and Chief Operating Officer from August 1987 to June 1992. Under his leadership, AST became a Fortune 500 company in 1991, and its stock was named the "Best Performing NASDAQ Stock" of that year.

Mr. Yuen departed AST in 1992 and focused his efforts on investing in new projects. Mr. Yuen served in various engineering and project management positions with Hughes Aircraft Company, Sperry Univac and Computer Automation. Later in his career, he became Chairman and CEO of SRS Labs, a world leader in audio and voice technology. Currently, Mr. Yuen is Chairman and CEO of PrimeGen Biotech, a private cell therapy company he founded in 2002.

PharmaCyte's Chief Executive Officer, Kenneth L. Waggoner, stated, "We are extremely honored that Mr. Yuen has agreed to become a member of our Board of Directors. His widespread business experience at the highest levels around the globe, business acumen and entrepreneurial spirit will be major assets to PharmaCyte as we strive to take the company to an entirely new level."

Mr. Yuen commented, "I am very pleased to become a member of PharmaCyte's Board of Directors. PharmaCyte is a dynamic and exciting company with a transformative platform technology. There are a multitude of opportunities for growth in cell therapies, and I intend to play a significant role in helping PharmaCyte achieve its business goals."

Mr. Yuen has held numerous director positions. He served as a Director of AST from 1981 to June 1992. He served as a Director of Valence Technology, Inc., an energy storage company, from March 1998 to March 2000 and a Director of DTS, Inc., an audio technology company, from April 2012 to July 2013. He has served as a Director of SRS Labs since January 1994. He is also an Honorary Professor of China Nationality University in Beijing.

In 1988 and 1991, the Computer Reseller News Magazine named Mr. Yuen one of the top 25 executives of the computer industry. In 1997, he received the Director of the Year Award from the Orange County Foundation of Corporate Directors. Mr. Yuen is the recipient of several awards from the University of California, Irvine (UCI), including the UCI Medal in 1990, the Outstanding Engineering Alumni Award in 1987 and the Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1986. These accolades will soon culminate in Mr. Yuen receiving the prestigious UCI Extraordinarious Award for his exemplary career in business and his philanthropic and volunteer activities. As further testament to his outstanding achievements, Mr. Yuen is the first of UCI's 150,000 alumni to receive both the UCI Medal and the Extraordinarious Award.

Mr. Yuen received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from University of California, Irvine in 1974 with honors.

#### About PharmaCyte Biotech

PharmaCyte Biotech is a clinical stage biotechnology company developing therapies for cancer and diabetes based upon a proprietary cellulose-based live cell encapsulation technology known as "Cell-in-a-Box<sup>®</sup>." This technology will be used as a platform upon which therapies for several types of cancer and diabetes are being developed. PharmaCyte's therapy for cancer involves encapsulating genetically engineered human cells that convert an inactive chemotherapy drug into its active or "cancer-killing" form. These encapsulated cells are implanted as close to the patient's cancerous tumor as possible. Once implanted, a chemotherapy drug that is normally activated in the liver (ifosfamide) is given intravenously at one-third the normal dose. The ifosfamide is carried by the circulatory system to where the encapsulated cells have been implanted. When the ifosfamide flows through the encapsulated cells, they act as a "bio-artificial liver" and activate the chemotherapy drug at the site of the cancer. This "targeted chemotherapy" has proven effective and safe to use in past clinical trials and results in no treatment related side effects.

In addition to developing a novel therapy for cancer, PharmaCyte is developing a therapy for Type 1 diabetes and insulin-dependent Type 2 diabetes. PharmaCyte plans to encapsulate a human cell line that has been genetically engineered to produce, store and release insulin in response to the levels of blood sugar in the human body. The encapsulation will be done using the Cell-in-a-Box<sup>®</sup> technology. Once the encapsulated cells are implanted in a diabetic patient they will function as a "bio-artificial pancreas" for purposes of insulin production.

#### Safe Harbor

This press release contains forward-looking statements, which are generally statements that are not historical facts. Forward-looking statements can be identified by the words "expects," "anticipates," "believes," "intends," "estimates," "plans," "will," "outlook" and similar expressions. Forward-looking statements are based on management's current plans, estimates, assumptions and projections, and speak only as of the date they are made. We undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement because of new information or future events, except as otherwise required by law. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, most of which are difficult to predict and are generally beyond our control. Actual results or outcomes may differ materially from those implied by the forward-looking statements due to the impact of numerous risk factors, many of which are discussed in more detail in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and our other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

More information about PharmaCyte Biotech can be found at www.PharmaCyte.com. Information may also be obtained by contacting PharmaCyte's Investor Relations Department.

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