



Board of Veterinary Medicine Public Meeting Minutes DECEMBER 21, 2022

New Hampshire Board of Veterinary Medicine
December 21, 2022 at 8:30 AM
7 Eagle Square in Concord, NH 03301

Attendance

Present:

Members: Stephen Crawford, Elaine Forst, Winifred Krogman, Jill Patronagio, Kirk Smith, Claire Timbas

Guests: Elizabeth Eaton, Shane Goulet, Tina Kelley, Former Board Chairperson Judith Leclerc, Jessica Whelehan, Jenna Wilson

Absent:

Members: Robyn Eldredge

I. Call To Order

RSA 332-B:1-a Purpose. – The purpose of the board of veterinary medicine is to promote public health, safety, and welfare by safeguarding the people of New Hampshire against incompetent, unscrupulous, and unauthorized persons and from unprofessional or illegal practices by persons licensed to practice veterinary medicine. The right to practice veterinary medicine is a privilege granted by legislative authority to persons possessing personal and professional qualifications specified in this chapter.

Kirk Smith called the meeting to order at 8:42AM and read the Board's mission statement.

II. Review of Public Minutes

Motion: to approve the 11/16/2022 public meeting minutes as amended.

Motion moved by Stephen Crawford and motion seconded by Kirk Smith. Passed.

III. Public Appearances

Hearing: 2022-VET-MYHRE-002: Continued

The Presiding Officer granted a continuance on 12/16/2022.

IV. Non-Public Session

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Motion: To enter non-public session at 9:14AM for the reasons outlined above.

Motion moved by Kirk Smith and motion seconded by Winifred Krogman. Passed by rollcall vote.

V. Resume Public Session

The Board resumed public session at 9:43AM.

Motion:

To accept the settlement agreement for 2022-VET-Myhre-002 contingent upon the language "Continuing Education Courses" as used in Paragraph 7B of the proposed Settlement Agreement meaning "Approved program[s] of continuing education" pursuant to Vet 102.01(d). If not, any party may file a pleading on or before 01/09/23 notifying the Board of its objection. The approval of the settlement agreement will be final if neither party files a pleading before 01/09/23.

Motion moved by Jill Patronagio and motion seconded by Claire Timbas. Passed unanimously a by a non-recused special quorum of the Board formed pursuant to RSA 332-B:3: Jill Patronagio, Claire Timbas, Elaine Forst, and former Board Chairperson Judith Leclerc.

VI. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates - None

VII. Old Business - None

VIII. New Business

A. Correspondence

1. Benedetta Sarno - CE approval

Motion: to deny the CE pre-approval request citing that there is not enough information to determine if the course meets the requirements of the Board. Motion moved by Stephen Crawford and motion seconded by Kirk Smith. Passed.

2. FDA Notice Regarding a Draft Update to Guidance For Industry (GFI) #152 Informational. No action taken.

3. AAVSB Regulatory Policy Task Force, RE: Practice Act Model
No action taken.

4. Kate Williams - Equine Bodywork scope of practice

Motion: to ask Liz Eaton to draft a response and authorize Steve Crawford to review/edit/approve the document on the Board's behalf. Motion moved by Winifred Krogman and motion seconded by Stephen Crawford. Passed.

IX. Licensure

A. GOERLICH, Ariane

Motion: To approve application for license renewal.

Motion moved by Stephen Crawford and motion seconded by Kirk Smith. Passed

B. HANSEN, Kelly

Motion: To approve application for license reinstatement.

Motion moved by Winifred Krogman and motion seconded by Stephen Crawford. Passed.

X. Administrative Rules & Legislative Topics

The Board did not vote on Chapter Vet 400 because Tina Kelley, OPLC rules staff, indicated that the adoption of Chapter Vet 400 is on hold because it references the pending Vet 800s. Once Chapter Vet 800 is ready to adopt, the Board will be able to adopt both sets of rules at the same time.

A. Vet 207 - Substantive rule waiver

Motion: To approve the Vet 207 Conditional Approval response to be sent to OLS/JLCAR.

Motion moved by Stephen Crawford and motion seconded by Kirk Smith. Passed.

B. Vet 800 Non-Veterinarians

The Board worked with Tina Kelley to make changes, including Vet 802.01(a), Vet 802.01(e), and Vet 801.01(c). Tina will bring a revised draft back to the next meeting.

Motion: To ask Shane Goulet to draft a letter to the Board of Nursing in response to the public comment submitted expressing the Board of Nursing's concern with the used of the term "veterinary nurse", and to authorize Steve Crawford to edit/review/approve the correspondence on the Board's behalf.

Motion moved by Stephen Crawford and motion seconded by Winifred Krogman. Passed

C. Vet 900 Dental Care

Motion: To accept the Vet 900 Initial Proposal as amended during the meeting and approve to proceed with formal rulemaking.

Motion moved by Kirk Smith and motion seconded by Stephen Crawford. Passed.

D. Vet 1000 Opioid Management

Motion: To approve the Chapter Vet 1000 Final Proposal.

Motion moved by Stephen Crawford and motion seconded by Winifred Krogman.

Passed.

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Motion: to enter non-public session at 10:44AM for the reasons outlined above.

Motion moved by Kirk Smith and motion seconded by Stephen Crawford. Passed by rollcall vote.

XII. Resume Public Session

The Board resumed public session at 11:54AM.

XIII. Seal the Minutes of the Non-Public Session

Minutes of the non-public session are sealed to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective.

Motion: to seal the minutes of both non-public sessions today (beginning at 9:14AM and 10:44AM) for the reasons outlined above; excluding the information related to 2022-VET-Myhre-002.

Motion moved by Kirk Smith and motion seconded by Winifred Krogman. Passed

Winifred Krogman notified the Board that she will be unable to attend the next meeting on January 18, 2023.

XIV. Adjournment

Kirk Smith adjourned the meeting at 12:11PM