



Board of Veterinary Medicine - August 17, 2022 Public Meeting Minutes

Veterinary Medicine
Aug 17, 2022 at 8:30 AM EDT
7 Eagle Square Concord, NH 03301

Attendance

Members Present:

Stephen Crawford, Robyn Eldredge, Elaine Forst, Winifred Krogman, Jill Patronagio, Claire Timbas

Members Absent:

Kirk Smith

Guests Present:

Tina Kelley, Stacie Moeser, Lauren Warner, Jessica Whelehan, Jenna Wilson

I. Call To Order

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 RSA 332-B

Winifred Krogman called the meeting to order at 8:34AM.

II. Review of Public Minutes

Review minutes from public meeting held 7/20/2022

Motion:

to approve the public meeting minutes as amended.

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

III. Public Appearances

A. 8:30AM - AGUILAR RAMOS, Juan: Non-disciplinary Adjudicatory Hearing

Hearings Examiner, Attorney Nik Frye, opened non-adjudicatory hearing Docket No. 2022-VET-001; Dr. Aguilar Ramos was not present in the meeting room nor remotely via Zoom. Attorney Frye and Winifred Krogman indicated the hearing would be in recess for 15 minutes in case the respondent was late to appear.

The Hearing resumed at 8:53AM. Hearings Examiner Nik Frye noted that Juan Aguilar Ramos was not present in person or via zoom. After the Board vote noted below, the hearing was closed at 8:55AM.

Motion:

to deny the renewal application of Dr. Aguilar Ramos citing insufficient CE.

Motion moved by Stephen Crawford and motion seconded by Robyn Eldredge. Passed.

B. 9:00AM - Vet 800 NON-VETERINARIANS: Public Rulemaking Hearing

1. **Winifred Krogman** opened the Public hearing at 9:00AM and read the required information pursuant to RSA 541-A. members of the public and stakeholders provided oral and written testimony before the hearing was closed at 9:25AM. The Board announced that it will take written and oral comments into consideration when preparing the Final Proposal for Vet 800 for OLS and JLCAR.

IV. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates

Jenna Wilson reminded Board members to contact her or OnBoard tech support if they experience any issues with the program.

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

- A. Correspondence from Dr. Karen Tinkham, DVM related to performing dental procedures at the same time as other procedures

Motion:

to send Dr. Tinkham and email referring her to the laws and rules of the Board; the email will also note that the declaratory ruling request process is available should there be a specific scenario for consideration.

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

VII. Licensure

- A. MORGAN, T.J. (Thamus) - Reinstatement Application

Motion:

to deny the application for licensure, pursuant to Vet 102.01 (d) and RSA 332-B: due to lack of pertinent medical continuing education credits presented with the application.

Motion moved by Stephen Crawford and motion seconded by Robyn Eldredge. Passed.

- B. PITTMAN, Ella - Reinstatement Application

Motion:

to approve Dr. Pittman's reinstatement application for licensure.

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

- C. KOSS, Stella - Follow up documentation for reinstatement

Motion:

to accept Dr. Koss's application and continuing education, and approve it for license reinstatement.

Motion moved by Robyn Eldredge and motion seconded by Stephen Crawford. Passed.

- D. VASSE, Aimee - Letter from Dr. Robert Carlson, DVM RE: temporary licensure.

Winifred Krogman tabled this item for discussion in non-public session.

- E. BROWN, Sandra - Continuing Education review

Winifred Krogman tabled this item until the next meeting due to time constraints.

VIII. Administrative Rules & Legislative Topics

- A. See Public Appearances for Rulemaking Hearing : Chapter Vet 800 Non-Veterinarians
- B. Rules status list from OPLC Legal Staff
- C. Final Proposals for review:
 - 1. Vet 207 - Waiver of Substantive Rules

Tina Kelley, OPLC Rules staff, met with the Board and explained she hadn't received preliminary comments from OLS on Vet 207 yet as she had for the other chapters. Tina Kelley told that Board that if she does get OLS attorney comments, she will make any non-substantive changes and submit the FP to OLS for JLCAR approval or bring comments requiring substantive changes back to the Board.

Motion:

to approve the Vet 207 Final Proposal as written and to proceed with the rulemaking.

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

2. Vet 400 - Continued Status

Tina Kelly indicated that she has only received partial comments from OLS because the rules have not been reviewed by Attorney Mike Morrell yet.

3. Vet 600 - Practice of Veterinary Medicine: Vet 601 Acupuncture, Vet 602 Embryo Transfers, Vet 603 Telemedicine

Motion:

to approve the Vet 600 Final Proposal as amended and submit the document to OLS to proceed with the rulemaking process.

Motion moved by Stephen Crawford and motion seconded by Robyn Eldredge. Passed.

4. Vet 700 - Veterinary Medical Records

Motion:

to approve the Vet 700 Final Proposal as amended and submit the document to OLS to proceed with the rulemaking process.

Motion moved by Stephen Crawford and motion seconded by Robyn Eldredge. Passed.

5. Vet 1000 - Prescription Drug Monitoring Program

Motion:

to authorize Stephen Crawford to communicate with Tina Kelley outside of the meeting for clarification and guidance on the comments and changes she suggested.

Motion moved by Winifred Krogman and motion seconded by Jill Patronagio. Passed.

D. Vet 900 - Animal Dental Care. Waiting for revised draft from OPLC Legal

Tina Kelley indicated that this Chapter of rules was not prioritized by OPLC Legal and a revised draft has not been completed.

E. Vet 300 Licensing Requirements - JLCAR postponed from 7/21/22 to 8/18/2022 meeting

JLCAR draft meeting minutes 7.21.22: "Rep. McGuire moved to postpone Item #5, regarding Final Proposal 2022-38 from the Board of Veterinary medicine (Registration or Licensing Requirements), from

the July 21, 2022 agenda to the Committee's regular meeting on August 18, 2022. Rep. Bernstein seconded. Adopted"

Winifred Krogman announced the Board was taking a brief recess at 10:54AM. The public meeting resumed at 11:03AM

IX. Non-Public Session

Non-Public session is conducted for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c) & (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

Motion:

to enter non-public session for the reasons outlined above.

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

X. Resume Public Session

XI. 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 from the non-public meeting *except* for the information below related to the denial of a temporary license application or Aimee Vasse.

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

Motion:

to deny the temporary permit application of Aimee Vasse citing that the application is incomplete pursuant to Vet 305.03 and Vet 301.01(i)

Motion moved by Stephen Crawford and motion seconded by Robyn Eldredge. Passed.

Claire Timbas noted that she will be unable to attend the 9/21/22 meeting.

XII. Adjournment

Winifred Krogman adjourned the meeting at 12:06PM.