



Board of Veterinary Medicine Public Minutes

November 20, 2024 at 8:30 AM
7 Eagle Square, Concord NH 03301

Attendance

Members Present: Dr. Jill Patronagio (JP), President; Dr. Claire Timbas (CT), Vice President; Dr. Stephen Crawford (SC); Dr. Robyn Eldredge (RE); Dr. Selvi Lampman (SL); Elaine Forst (EF); Dr. Arianna Brown Hendry (ABH)

*SC left at 10:00 a.m.

Staff Present: Jeanne Webber, Board Administrator; Elizabeth Eaton, Esq., Board Counsel

I. Call To Order

Meeting was called to order at 8:31 a.m., with a quorum of the Board present.

II. Remote Attendance – No items

III. Public Comment - 8:30 am – No written or spoken public comment was submitted.

IV. Review of October 23, 2024 Draft Public Minutes

Motion:

Upon a motion by SC, with a second by JP, the Board voted to approve the minutes as amended; motion passed. **Abstain:** ABH

V. Public Appearances – No items

VI. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates

A. American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Council on Education - Informational

B. ICVA Academic Veterinary Assessment Committee (AVAC)

Motion:

Upon a motion by RE, with a second by SC, the Board voted to send the information regarding participating in the ICVA Academic Veterinary Assessment Committee to licensees; motion passed.

VII. Old Business

A. Department of Environmental Services

Motion:

Upon a motion by SC, with a second by RE, the Board voted to request that a representative from DES attend the December meeting to discuss disposal of chemicals; motion passed.

VIII. New Business

- A. Question from an AAVSB Member Board - Euthanasia without owner approval – the Board Administrator will direct the the inquiry to review the Board’s laws and administrative rules.

IX. CE Inquiry

- A. Dr. Iris Fischer-McMorrow

Motion:

Upon a motion by RE, with a second by SC, the Board voted to accept this training as meeting the requirement for Vet 403.01 (c) and direct Dr. Fisher-McMorrow to review Vet 403.01 (m) regarding continuing education requests; motion passed.

X. Clinical Practice Inquiries - No items

XI. Licensure Update - Jen Goldblatt, LSR

Motion:

Upon a motion by JP, with a second by RE, the Board voted to establish a standing order authorizing the Office of Professional Licensure (OPLC) and its staff to review and approve extension requests after consulting with the Board Chair. Requests must comply with Vet 401.02. Extensions granted pursuant to the Standing Order shall be limited to 3 months, and the continuing education hours gained during the extension period shall not apply to the 2025/2026 renewal period; motion passed.

- A. Applications Granted, Pending, Denied

The following licenses were issued since the October 23, 2024 meeting:

Jorden, Heidi, Endorsement
Frazier, Katherine, Endorsement
Ireifej, Shadi

- B. Reasons for delay of approval of applications

There are currently 8 pending applications. All are missing the JP exam, also waiting for additional documentation from the applicants.

XII. Administrative Rules & Legislative Topics

A. Rules Review

Motion:

Upon a motion by RE, with a second by SL, the Board voted to submit a rulemaking support request to update various Vet 400 administrative rules and to authorize CT to assist; motion passed.

B. Legislative Updates - Informational

XIII. Non-Public Session

Non-Public session 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:

Upon a motion by JP, with a second by SC, the Board voted to initiate the 1st non-public session at 8:54 a.m.; motion passed.

Motion:

Upon a motion by JP, with a second by RE, the Board voted to initiate the 2nd non-public session at 10:01 a.m.; motion passed.

XIV. Resume Public Session:

Motion:

Upon a motion by JP, with a second by SC, the Board voted to resume public session at 9:20 a.m.; motion passed.

Motion:

Upon a motion by JP, with a second by SL, the Board voted to resume public session at 11:04 a.m.; motion passed.

XV. 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:

Upon a motion by JP, with a second by SC, the Board voted to seal the minutes from the 1st non-public session; motion passed.

Motion:

Upon a motion by JP, with a second by CT, the Board voted to seal the minutes from the 2nd non-public session; motion passed.

XVI. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 11:05 AM