



Board of Veterinary Medicine

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UnApproved Minutes **Thursday, October 12, 2017**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m., by Dr. Wheeler, Chair.

Members Present: J. Drexel Wheeler, DVM, Chair; Paula Yankauskas, VMD, Vice-Chair; Crager J. Boardman, Jr, DVM; Ryan Canales, MVB, Secretary (by phone); Terry York, Public Member and Jeannette Hogan, Public Member

OPR Personnel Present: Aprille Morrison, Licensing Administrator I and Lauren Hibbert, Esq., General Counsel

Guests: Dr. Ron Veenema and Carrie Phillips, Pharmacy Executive Officer

2. Changes to the agenda

3. Approval of minutes from April 13, 2017 meeting

Dr. Boardman made a motion to approve the minutes with a correction in #2 to Dr. Yankauskas from Ms. Yankauskas. Dr. Yankauskas seconded the motion. Motion passed.

4. Disciplinary Matters

a. Closing Reports / Enforcement Report

i. Report from Carla Preston

1. Ms. Preston reported that the Board currently has eight (8) cases. Four (4) are ready for Investigative Team meeting, one (1) is in intake, one (1) is under investigation and two (2) are ready for closing and will be reviewed at today's meeting.

ii. Report of Concluded Investigation in the matter of docket #2016-365 (Dr. Boardman is the Investigative Team member)

1. Ms. York made a motion to accept the report of concluded investigation in the matter of docket #2016-365 as presented. Ms. Hogan seconded the motion. Motion passed. Dr. Boardman did not participate in the vote as he was the Investigative Team member.

iii. Report of Concluded Investigation in the matter of docket #2016-569 (Dr. Boardman is the Investigative Team member)

1. Dr. Canales made a motion to accept the report of concluded investigation in the matter of docket #2016-569 as presented. Ms. York seconded the motion. Motion passed. Dr. Boardman did not participate in the vote as he was the Investigative Team member.

5. Topics for Discussion

- a. Department of Health Veterinary Report
 - i. Ms. Hibbert informed the Board members present that the Vermont Department of Health's recommendation is one mandatory continuing education credit per renewal period in the areas of abuse, diversion, safe use, appropriate storage and disposal of controlled substances. The Board agrees with the Vermont Department of Health's recommendation and Ms. Hibbert will work on a draft of the administrative rules to be reviewed by the Board at the December 14th meeting.
- b. Election of Officer
 - i. Ms. York made a motion to keep the current slate of officers for the Veterinary Board as is. Dr. Boardman seconded the motion. Motion passed. The officers are as follows: Dr. Wheeler, Chair; Dr. Yankauskas, Vice-Chair and Dr. Canales, Secretary.

6. Administrative Updates

- a. Lauren Hibbert to discuss new licensing platform.
 - i. Ms. Hibbert informed members present at their future meetings there will be training, on laptops provided by the office, for board meeting information in the new licensing platform.

7. Education Course Review

- a. **"VVTA Meeting on Nutrition"** submitted by Vermont Veterinary Technician Association, Deb Glottman. Requesting approval for six (6) hours of Continuing Veterinary Medical Education credit. The meeting will be held November 5, 2017.
 - i. **Dr. Canales made a motion to approve the VVTA education request. Ms. Hogan seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

8. Public Comment

- a. Dr. Veenema informed Board members present that the AVMA has communicated with the VVMA regarding creating a wellness committee to assist licensed professionals with addiction recover. Ms. Hibbert requested that she meet with the VVMA on this topic. Dr. Veenema will inform the VVMA Board of Ms. Hibbert's request.

9. **Adjournment** Dr. Boardman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:16 am. Dr. Yankauskas seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Next Scheduled Meeting – Thursday, December 14, 2017
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