Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners Minutes for February 23rd, 2023

Meet In Person at 10:30 AM

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Board Members in Attendance: Dr. Elizabeth Callahan, President; Dr. Christine Calvert, Ms. Lynne Chaput, Ms. Patricia Quimby, Dr. Peter Radue and Dr. James Reed.

<u>Staff in Attendance:</u> Nathaniel Boan, Executive Director; Britney Brach, Pegeen Morgan, Inspector; Cynthia Spirt, AAG; Sarah Hultz, Investigator; Ellen James, Inspector (Virtual); Susan Husk, Assistant Director (Virtual).

Dr. Callahan called the meeting to order at 10:39a.m..

Open Meeting

Approval of the Minutes of the January 26th, 2023 Board Meeting.

• Minutes to be reviewed at the March Meeting.

Veterinary License Applications Approvals:

In a motion by Dr. Radue, and seconded by Dr. Calvert, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following applications for veterinary license with the following notes:

- Dr. Brittani Henschen
- Dr. Kaitlyn McCall (Open Complaint in DE) Be sure that the investigation is completed. The Board has the authority to take action in MD based on the results of the DE investigation. (Dr. Callahan recuses herself)
- Dr. Hardin Rubin
- Dr. Pen-Ting Liao
- Dr. Erin Zepp
- Dr. Renee Nodine (Action in PA)
- Dr. Anna Tucker (Action in VA)
- Dr. Nandita Fernandes
- Dr. Beth Bauer
- Dr. Jennifer Zambriski
- Dr. Gregory Salyards
- Dr. Lindsey Heller
- Dr. Julie Andrie Reinstatement
- Dr. Jean Ferreri

In a motion by Dr. Callahan, and seconded by Ms. Quimby, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following application for veterinary license that came through during the meeting:

• Dr. Shadi Ireifej

Sanitation Reports:

Inspectors Pegeen Morgan and Ellen James provided summaries of the sanitation reports. In a motion by Dr. Calvert, and seconded by Ms. Chaput, the Board voted unanimously to accept the sanitation reports.

CE Approval Requests:

In a motion by Dr. Reed, and seconded by Dr. Calvert, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following CE requests:

- 627 Boger
- 628 Ginsky
- 629 Volokhov

Additional information was reviewed for the following CE request from January:

• 622 Rattner - The class would not meet the CDS requirements. It would need to focus more on CDS drugs and not general Prescription medications.

Miscellaneous:

Ellen James provided a report on the status of the Pet IQ One Responsible Veterinarian Pilot Program after attending a day of virtual inspections with the Responsible Veterinarian.

• Program will need to be renewed in April 2023.

Nathaniel Boan provided a summary of current legislative matters involving veterinarians:

- HB325/SB390 Provisions of Veterinary Services Routine Medical Care and Rabies Vaccines
- HB365/SB937 Department of Agriculture / Spay and Neuter Fund
- HB906 Occupational Licensing and Certification Criminal History Prohibited Disclosures and Predetermination Review Process
- HB1133 Agriculture Veterinary Practitioners Student Loan Forgiveness Program
 - The Board expressed interest in supporting this bill.
- HB1227 Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Dispensers Veterinarians
 - \circ $\;$ The Board will likely not take a stance on this departmental bill and possibly provide a letter of information.

The Board reviewed an inquiry from Chris Bombaugh at Montgomery County Humane Society, asking about reselling donated flea and tick preventatives that they do not use or no longer use:

• They shouldn't sell it. You can't guarantee how it was stored and it may pose liability.

Final Actions Since January 26th, 2023:

- Docket No. 22-68: Stacey Hershman / Beth Miller, RVT Licensed in Ohio, Garrett College Career Technology Training Center
 - Cease and Desist Order signed and executed 1.27.2023.
- Docket No. 22-83 : SBVME / Dr. Jane E. Brunt, Cat Hospital Towson, LLC
 - o Amended CPFO correcting license number, signed and executed 2.3.2023.
- Docket No. 23-39: SBVME / Dr. John Kable, AirPark Animal Hospital
 - o CPFO signed and executed 3.6.2023.
- Docket No. 23-49: SBVME / Dr. Bradford Gividen, Rolling Hills Animal Hospital, LLC
 - o CPFO signed and executed 3.7.2023.
- Docket No. 23-62: SBVME / Dr. Megan Weaver, Hampstead Veterinary Center LLC
 - o CPFO signed and executed 3.3.2023

In a motion by Dr. Calvert, and seconded by Dr. Callahan, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting to move into an administrative closed session to perform administrative functions outside the scope of the Open Meetings Act, in accordance with § 3-103(a)(1)(i) of the General Provisions Article. The administrative functions to be performed include discussion of the specific matters identified on the Board Agenda. In the alternative, I move to close the meeting pursuant to the following Section 3-305(b):

- (7) To obtain advice of counsel;
- (8) To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation;
- (12) To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct;" and
- (13) To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter.