

KANSAS BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS

Friday, March 20th, 2020

Conference Call

7:00 AM

This meeting of the Kansas Board of Veterinary Examiners was called to order at 7:04 A.M. by Board President Sheila Dodson. Board Members participating in the conference call in addition to Dr. Dodson were Drs. Snyder, Flowers, and Bentz. Also present on the call were General Counsel Charles Macheers, and Litigation Counsel Jane Weiler. Staff members in attendance were Dr. Johnson, Matthew Provencher and Konrad Coe. No public members were on the call.

Dr. Dodson opened the meeting by thanking those in attendance.

Due to COVID19, there have been questions raised concerning the practice of telemedicine. Kansas Veterinary Practice Act does not specifically state any regulations that cover telemedicine. Basically, our statutes do cover the necessity of a valid VCPR. Since we cannot change the law or regulations at this time, questions must be referred to the definition of valid VCPR. Dispensing or refilling prescriptions is similar, the patient must have a valid VCPR.

There was a discussion concerning the publication of certain websites on the KBVE website referring to COVID-19 updates. Charles indicated we could link to the AAVSB, AVMA or the CDC. We should not have links to special interest groups.

The discussion moved to answering continuing education questions. There have been major increases in the number of online webinars which would satisfy the yearly CE. Veterinarians need to document their attendance or provide a certificate if the webinar issued one.

The language of K.A.R. 70-5-1 has been approved. There are some concerns over the definitions of a mobile clinic. If we change or modify the language in K.A.R. 70-5-1, the regulation would have to start the process over, thus going back to the Division of Budget, the Department of Administration and the Attorney General's Office.

The board discussed an FAQ page on website, everyone agreed with no comments or concerns to placing a tab for FAQs on the banner located on the homepage.

Emails concerning questions on COVID19, should be directed to KDHE, CDC, or their local county health department.

The board moved to item H determination of line of command in case of illness. Should an KBVE staff member fall ill, they are to home quarantine for the recommended numbers of days set by the CDC.

Dr. Snyder moved to adjourn and Dr. Flowers seconded the motion. Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:33 A.M.

Signed Sheila M. Dodson Date 1/25/2021