

1 **KANSAS BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS**

2 **Wednesday, July 14, 2021**

3 **504 Miller Drive, Wamego, Kansas 66547**

4 **10:00 A.M. Board meeting**

5 This meeting of the Kansas Board of Veterinary Examiners (KBVE) was called to order
6 at 10:02 A.M. by Board President Dodson. The meeting was held at the Three Rivers
7 Conference Room at 504 Miller Drive in Wamego, KS and through Zoom. Board
8 Members participating in person in addition to Dr. Dodson were Drs. Covington,
9 Ekerberg, Flowers, Ritter and Snyder. Mr. Joe Allen attended by Zoom. Also present in
10 person were Mr. Randy Forbes, Konrad Coe, Matthew Provencher, Michele Zimmer, and
11 Dr. Jody Johnson. Megan Kilgore from the KVMA attended by Zoom and Mary Berg
12 attended by Zoom later in the meeting.

13 Dr. Ekerberg moved that the agenda be approved. It was seconded by Dr. Ritter.
14 Motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

15 There was a request through a letter written by a previously registered veterinary
16 technician to re-apply for Kansas registration. She had let her registration lapse in 1981.
17 She has been employed in Missouri and has been registered in that state since 1980.
18 There is no proof that she took the statutorial required Veterinary Technician National
19 Examination (VTNE) and no proof that she passed the VTNE. The KBVE did not accept
20 the VTNE until after 1983. Dr. Snyder moved and Dr. Flowers seconded the motion for
21 Dr. Johnson to contact the Kansas Veterinary Technicians Association (KVTA) and
22 obtain their feedback. If there was no objection by the KVTA, Dr. Johnson was directed
23 to reinstate her registration after her application and payment of the application fee.
24 Motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

25 Dr. Johnson received the yearly contract with the Office of Administrative Hearings
26 (OAH). The contract did call for a change in the hourly rate which went from \$80 per
27 hour to \$100 per hour. Dr. Flowers moved and Dr. Snyder seconded a motion for Dr.
28 Johnson to sign the contract. Motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

29 Dr. Johnson indicated that the statutory fee limits had been reached by the veterinary
30 license renewal fee, the veterinary license renewal late penalty, the veterinary premise
31 renewal fee, the veterinary premise renewal late penalty fee, the veterinary technician
32 registration application fee and the veterinary technician registration renewal fee. Dr.
33 Dodson noted there were several statutory and regulatory changes which needed to be
34 proposed, not just those for statutory limits. She asked Dr. Johnson to assign sections of
35 the Statutes and Regulations to the Board members for review. The Board members
36 would then send their proposed revisions to Dr. Johnson and those revisions would be
37 considered at the next Board meeting.

38 Dr. Dodson then asked for volunteers to attend the American Association of Veterinary
39 State Boards (AAVSB) yearly meeting to be held in Denver, Colorado September 20 to
40 October 2. Dr. Flowers was appointed by Dr. Dodson to be the KBVE delegate and Dr.
41 Ekerberg was appointed to be the Alternate Delegate to the Convention. Dr. Johnson
42 was directed to provide them the link for registration.

43 Mr. Randy Forbes thanked the Board for the renewal of his contract. He then covered
44 the steps for the Probable Cause findings if a veterinarian desired a "hearing". This
45 could be in front of the Board members that were not part of the Probable Cause
46 Committee with the Board chair acting as the judge, or the Board could employ an
47 attorney with the OAH who would hear the evidence and write an opinion, or it could be
48 sent to the OAH and a judge would sit, hear the evidence and write an opinion.

49 Matthew Provencher presented his report. It is attached.

50 Konrad Coe presented his report. It is attached.

51 Michele Zimmer was introduced as the new Administrative Specialist. She had been
52 training with Audi Westgate since June 3, and working full time since June 20. Audi has
53 resigned as of July 10th.

54 Dr. Johnson stated that the office had moved to 503 Lincoln Avenue as of June 1. She
55 invited the Board members to stop by the office after the Board meeting. Big Picture,
56 one of the software companies that presented bids, had contacted her and expressed an
57 interest in reducing their pricing for their basic Client Relation Management
58 (CRM) program to \$2,000 a month. The Investigative and Inspection modules could be
59 added later. This price is still not within our budget at this time.

60 There is a new requirement to use e-prescribing for controlled drugs and drugs of
61 interest which went into effect on July 1; however, veterinarians are exempt from this
62 requirement. She has received a couple of calls from veterinarians indicating that their
63 pharmacy of choice would not fill their written prescriptions so she has had the statute
64 and FAQ from the Board of Pharmacy ready to send out if there are more requests. She
65 also passed this information on to the KVMA.

66 Covetrus is requiring the premise address be on the Kansas license for the veterinarians
67 using their services and not a personal address. They are stating this is a KBVE
68 requirement by statute. She has reached out to the Covetrus Customer Service to ask
69 for further clarification.

70 Dr. Flowers made the following motion: "Madam President, in order to protect the privacy
71 of the non-elected personnel involved, I move that the Board recess into Executive
72 Session to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel to protect the privacy of
73 individuals pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception in K.S.A. 2016 Supp.
74 75(b)(2), as amended by L. 2017, Ch. 73, paragraph 4 (HB2301). We require Mr.
75 Forbes and Dr. Jody Johnson to be admitted to the executive session, when requested,
76 to aid the Board in the discussions. The Board will reconvene the open meeting in the

77 Three Rivers Conference Room in 20 minutes at 12:16 P.M. Dr. Snyder seconded the
78 motion. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

79 The Board returned to open session at 12:16 P.M.

80 Dr. Dodson requested the revisions of Statutes and Regulations be submitted to Dr.
81 Johnson by August 25th and a Zoom meeting be held on Wednesday, September 1st at 1
82 P.M. to discuss the proposed revisions.

83 The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is on Wednesday, November 10th at 10
84 A.M. in Wamego.

85 Dr. Ritter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Dr. Snyder.
86 Motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes. Meeting adjourned at 12:22
87 P.M.

88 Sheila M. Dodson Date 11/10/21