KANSAS BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS

KBVE Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 5, 2023, 10:00 AM In Person: Three Rivers, 504 Miller Drive, Wamego

Microsoft Teams: By Invitation

This meeting of the Kansas Board of Veterinary Examiners (KBVE) was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Board President, Dr. Flowers. The meeting was held in person and by Microsoft Teams. Board Members participating in addition to Dr. Flowers were Dr. Covington (attended by Microsoft Teams), Dr. Dodson, Dr. Ekerberg, Dr. Ritter, and Dr. Snyder. Also present were Kevin Fowler, Konrad Coe, Matthew Provencher, Jessica Wrosch, Dr. Mark Olson, and Mary Berg from KVTA. Attending by Microsoft Teams were Dr. Erica League (arrived at 11:36 a.m.) and Megan Kilgore from KVMA. Mr. Joe Allen was not present for the meeting.

- Dr. Flowers welcomed and thanked those in attendance.
- Dr. Ekerberg made a motion to adopt the agenda and Dr. Ritter seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.
- Dr. Flowers welcomed Mary Berg with the KVTA and Megan Kilgore with the KVMA.
- Dr. Snyder made a motion to approve the board minutes as written from the January 25, 2023 meeting.
- Dr. Ekerberg seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no dissenting votes.

Jessica Wrosch presented the licensed veterinarian and registered technician report.

Konrad Coe presented his premise audit report.

Matthew Provencher presented his investigations status report.

- Dr. Olson gave his executive director report.
- Dr. Olson reviewed with the board the investigation protocol flow chart and the post probable cause protocol flow chart. It was agreed upon by the board to review and approve stipulation orders within two weeks.

Elections for president and vice president took place. Dr. Dodson nominated Dr. Flowers for the president position. Dr. Snyder seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no dissenting votes. Dr. Dodson nominated Dr. Ritter for the vice president position. Dr. Snyder seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Olson provided a legislative update and made the board aware of HB2239, HB2342, HB2388, and HB2449.

Megan Kilgore provided a KVMA update. She reported that the KVMA has two new board members, Dr. Roxanne Witt, and Dr. Darrell Monfort. The KVMA and KBVE will have virtual listening tour sessions in April and May 2023 and they are scheduled for anyone interested in learning and adding suggestions about modernizing the Kansas Veterinary Practice Act draft. The KVMA provided a neutral testimony on HB2437. The KVMA plans to have an in-person board meeting on June 4, 2023 in Manhattan.

Mary Berg provided a KVTA update. The KVTA is redoing their website which will include a career center. They have revised their mission statement and values and are in the process of trying to build the organizations membership. They will be starting conversations about the tri-state conference that will be in 2024. They will be changing the name since there will now be four states.

The board reviewed the practice act statutes draft updates.

Discussion was made on 47-820 (b)-The board may also assess actual costs, including attorney fees and hearing officer fees, against any person or entity for a violation of the statues, rules and regulations or orders enforceable by the board in addition to any fine imposed. Dr. Dodson moved to remove 47-820 (b) from the proposed changes. Dr. Snyder seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Dodson moved to accept 47-818 (a)-add one registered veterinary technician to the composition of the board and they would be limited to not be on probable cause committees involving complaints on veterinarians. Total number of board members would be eight. Dr. Snyder seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Snyder moved to accept 47-834 (e) (2) involving unlicensed practice-assess a fine not in excess of \$5,000 for each violation. All fines collected pursuant to this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state general fund. Actual costs related to investigation, adjudication and enforcement shall be deducted and credited to the veterinary examiners fee fund. Dr. Dodson seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Snyder moved to approve 47-856 Institutional license (a)(1) Has obtained the degree of doctor of veterinary medicine or its equivalent (from respective country AVMA like organization, https://www.avma.org/education/ecfvg/veterinary-medical-degrees-granted-throughout-world); and/or is a board certified specialist in an internationally recognized veterinary specialty. Dr. Ritter seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

The board members met with Dr. Erica League to discuss her Kansas veterinary license application. Dr. League submitted an application that she marked "yes" on two questions that the board needed additional information on.

The AAVSB annual meeting is September 28-30, 2023 in Kansas City. Discussion was made on who to send for the delegate and alternate delegate. Dr. Dodson made a motion to send Dr. Covington as delegate and Dr. Snyder as alternate delegate. Dr. Ritter seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Covington will be attending Board Basics and Beyond in Kansas City on April 14-15, 2023.

Dr. Olson mentioned he will be attending the AAVSB Executive Directors/Registrars meeting in Kansas City on April 13, 2023.

Board President Dr. Flowers called for a recess at 11:59 a.m.

The board meeting returned to open session at 12:25 p.m.

Dr. Ritter made the following motion: In order to protect a matter protected by the attorney-client privilege and the public interest, I move that the Board recess into executive session for consultation with our legal counsel, Kevin Fowler, to see legal advice on attorney-client privilege and to discuss personnel matters. In addition, I move that Investigator, Matthew Provencher, Executive Director, Dr. Olson, and the Board, who are part of the client circle, be present in the executive session to aid the Board in their discussions. The board will reconvene the open meeting in this same location at 12:45 p.m. Dr. Dodson seconded the motion. Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

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The board meeting returned to open session at 1:17 p.m.

Dr. Snyder made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Dr. Dodson seconded the motion. Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

Signed: Date: 6-4-23