

KANSAS BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS
KBVE Board Meeting
Wednesday, August 2, 2023, 10:00 AM
In Person: Three Rivers, 504 Miller Drive, Wamego, Kansas
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 Vice President, Dr. Paul Ritter via Microsoft Teams. The meeting was held in person and via Microsoft Teams. Board members participating in addition to Dr. Ritter were Dr. Sheila Dodson, Dr. Amy Ekerberg, Dr. Larry Snyder, Dr. Beth Covington, and Mr. Joe Allen attended via Microsoft Teams. Dr. Leann Flowers was absent. Also present was Kevin Fowler, Konrad Coe, Matthew Provencher, Jessica Wrosch, Dr. Mark Olson, and Mary Berg from the Kansas Veterinary Technician's Association.

Dr. Ritter welcomed and thanked those in attendance.

Dr. Ekerberg moved to adopt the agenda and Dr. Snyder seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Ritter welcomed Mary Berg with the KVTA. There were no public comments.

Dr. Snyder moved to approve the board minutes as written from the June 4, 2023, meeting. Dr. Ekerberg seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no dissenting votes. With no presiding officer in person at this meeting, Vice President Dr. Ritter authorized Dr. Dodson to sign the minutes approved from the June 4, 2023, meeting.

Jessica Wrosch, Administrative Specialist, presented the licensed veterinarian and registered veterinary technician report from the KBVE office. There are presently 2,740 licensed veterinarians and 714 registered veterinary technicians. There are 51 fourth year veterinary students out of the class of 117 from the Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine Class of 2024 that have applied for a new Kansas veterinary license.

Konrad Coe, Inspector, presented the current premise audit report. There are 630 veterinary premises currently registered.

Matthew Provencher, Investigator, presented the current investigations status report. There have been 53 complaints received for calendar year 2023.

Dr. Olson presented the Executive Director report. The fall KBVE board meeting will be held on October 2, 2023, at the KSU-CVM Boehringer Ingelheim auditorium in Manhattan beginning at 10:00 am to allow the veterinary students to attend and learn about the KBVE. The KBVE budget will be submitted to the Division of Budget office between August 15 and September 15, 2023. The summer newsletter from the

KBVE was sent out to all licensed Kansas veterinarians and registered veterinary technicians. The KBVE staff will be adding to the website in September a listing of all active Kansas veterinary premise names, premise numbers, operating managing veterinarian, city, state, and the date the premise registration expires. Dr. Olson discussed the DEA transfer and disposal drug forms 222 and 41 with the board.

Board members Joe Allen, Dr. Flowers, and Dr. Covington have all received packets from the Governor's appointment office to be considered for reappointment to another term to the KBVE.

KVTA member, Mary Berg, presented the KBVE with an update on current activities and upcoming events including the implementation of a new KVTA website, hosting a webinar in early fall to discuss the practice act modernization with the KBVE, and that there will be a District 9 veterinary technician conference in 2024.

Dr. Olson reported to the board the Department of Justice's Servicemembers and Veterans Initiative (SVI) which is committed to protecting those who serve and their families. The Civil Rights Division enforces the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA), which provides servicemembers and their dependents with certain civil protections related to military service. In January 2023, the US Congress added a new provision to the SCRA that allows servicemembers and their spouses to use their professional licenses and certificates when they relocate due to military orders, in certain circumstances. They must meet five criteria. If these five criteria are met, the servicemember's or spouse's covered license or certificate shall be considered valid at a similar scope of practice and in the discipline applied for in the new jurisdiction for the duration of the military orders. Dr. Dodson moved and Dr. Covington seconded a motion to approve a Professional Portability application document for any person that would fall under this category of wanting to practice in Kansas. The motion was passed with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Dodson moved and Dr. Covington seconded a motion for the Executive Director to review all these applications involving the SCRA and the board would give the Executive Director authority to approve these applications. This motion was passed with no dissenting votes.

Vice President Ritter called for a 10-minute break at 11:00 a.m.

The board returned to open session at 11:10 a.m.

The board reviewed the entire updated 8-2-2023 statute draft updated language since the last board meeting. Dr. Dodson moved and Dr. Ekerberg seconded the motion to approve the updated 8-2-2023 statute draft language considerations to modernize the statutes reviewed by the board. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Ekerberg moved and Dr. Snyder seconded a motion authorizing the AAVSB delegate and alternate delegate, Dr. Dodson, and Dr. Covington to decide the voting at the AAVSB Annual conference in Kansas City on September 30, 2023, for the KBVE.

The AAVSB annual conference will be held in Kansas City from September 28-30, 2023. The KBVE will be represented by Dr. Dodson and Dr. Covington as the delegate and alternate delegate, Mr. Allen serves on

the by-laws committee, Dr. Flowers serves on the Program and Services Think Tank Committee, Dr. Ekerberg serves on the PAVE committee, Dr. Olson serves on the Executive Directors Advisory committee and the Program and Services Think Tank committee and legal counsel, Kevin Fowler will be attending under the AAVSB legal funded program.

Dr. Dodson made the following motion: In order to protect the privacy of the non-elected personnel involved, I move that the Board recess into executive session to discuss personnel matters for the board. In addition, I move that Legal Counsel, Kevin Fowler, Executive Director, Dr. Olson, Investigator, Matthew Provencher, Inspector, Konrad Coe, and Administrative Specialist, Jessica Wrosch be present in the executive session to aid the board in their discussions. The Board will reconvene the open meeting in this same location in 30 minutes at 12:23 p.m. Dr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Dodson moved to return to open session at 12:23p.m. Dr. Snyder seconded the motion. Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

The board will hold the next board meeting at the Boehringer Ingelheim auditorium at the KSU College of Veterinary Medicine on October 2, 2023, beginning at 10:00 am.

Dr. Ekerberg moved to adjourn the meeting and Dr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion was approved on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:25 pm

Signed: Leann Flowers Date: 10-2-23