KANSAS BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS KBVE Board Meeting

Wednesday, December 6, 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. Dodson (attended by Microsoft Teams), Dr. Ekerberg (attended via Microsoft Teams), Joe Allen (attended by Microsoft Teams), Dr. Covington, Dr. Ritter, and Dr. Snyder. New board member Dr. Stacy Rogers attended via Microsoft Teams. Also present were Kevin Fowler, Konrad Coe, Matthew Provencher, Jessica Wrosch, and Dr. Mark Olson. Attending by Microsoft Teams were Megan Kilgore and President-Elect Dr. Patty Burris from the KVMA, Matt Hubbel and Angie Harris from the KVTA, and Dr. Erica League arrived at 11:50 am. Others attending in person were Dr. Barbara Kolde who arrived at 11:30 am and Dr. Andrew Kaiser who arrived at 11:45 am.

Dr. Flowers welcomed and thanked those in attendance. Dr. Flowers welcomed members attending from the KVMA and the KVTA. She also welcomed new KBVE board member, Dr. Stacy Rogers, who reported to the board that she is a mixed animal practitioner in Scott City, Kansas and graduated from Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine with the Class of 2000.

Dr. Snyder 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. Olson reported that Dr. Stacy Rogers has been appointed by the Governor to replace Dr. Sheila Dodson on the KBVE board. He reported that Dr. Elizabeth Covington, Dr. Leann Flowers, and Mr. Joe Allen have been reappointed to serve another term on the KBVE board.

KVMA Executive Director Megan Kilgore gave the KVMA report sharing information brought before the KBVE involving modernized statutory language involving telemedicine and veterinary premises. She recently held discussions involving policy and resolutions with the KLA Executive Director. She also updated the board on veterinary technician information for the board to consider in the statutes.

Dr. Snyder made a motion to approve the board minutes as written from the October 2, 2023, meeting. Dr. Covington seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no dissenting votes.

Jessica Wrosch presented the licensed veterinarian and registered technician office report. There are 2,816 licensed veterinarians and 736 registered veterinary technicians presently active in Kansas.

Konrad Coe presented his premise audit report. There are 642 active veterinary premises in Kansas.

Matthew Provencher presented his investigations status report. There have been 83 complaints filed with the board so far in 2023 to the KBVE.

Dr. Olson gave his executive director report. He has spent considerable time in discussions with stakeholders on updated language in the modernized statutes of the practice act and has brought updated information for the board to discuss and consider at this meeting.

Dr. Olson gave an update on the KBVE budget and reviewed with the board the process for approval.

The board reviewed the practice act statutes draft updates presented by Dr. Olson that were received from various stakeholders during the period of public comment since the last meeting. Information was presented from the KVMA, KVTA, KDA Division of Animal Health, KSU-CVM, and from various legislators.

Dr. Snyder moved to not add a veterinary technician to the board, not have veterinary technician title protection, not have definitions of the various levels of veterinary technicians, to require continuing education hours for veterinary technicians applications and renewals, to add the updated modernized recommended language from the KVMA and KVTA legal counsel to the various sections of the statutes and to update the definition of veterinary premises. Dr. Dodson seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Olson reported information discussed with the KDA and KSU-CVM regarding the draft statutes and the information in the present statutes.

Discussion was presented by Dr. Olson on the legislative session in 2024 and the steps involved to move a bill through both chambers.

Board Basics and Beyond will be held by the AAVSB in Kansas City on April 12-13, 2024, for new board member training. Dr. Ekerberg moved to send new board member, Dr. Stacy Rogers, and the motion was seconded by Dr. Ritter. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Olson announced to board members that the AAVSB Annual Conference will be held in San Diego, California on September 25-28, 2024.

Dr. Flowers called for a recess from the meeting at 11:20 am for 10 minutes.

The meeting reconvened at 11:30 am.

Dr. Ritter 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, Mark Olson, Investigator, Matt Provencher, and Inspector, Konrad Coe 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 15 minutes at 11:45 am. Dr. Snyder seconded the motion. Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Ritter moved to return to open session at 11:45 am. Dr. Snyder seconded the motion. Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

The board met with Dr. Andrew Kaiser who had applied for a new Kansas veterinary license. He had received discipline in another jurisdiction and came before the full board to explain his request for a Kansas license.

Dr. Ritter 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, Mark Olson, Investigator, Matt Provencher, and Inspector, Konrad Coe 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 15 minutes at 12:15 pm. Dr. Snyder seconded the motion. Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Ritter moved to return to open session at 12:15 pm. Dr. Snyder seconded the motion. Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Dodson moved to amend the limited license for Dr. Erica League. Dr. Snyder seconded the motion. The motion passed to amend the limited Kansas veterinary license for Dr. Erica League with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Dodson moved to deny the request for a Kansas veterinary license by Dr. Andrew Kaiser. Dr. Ekerberg seconded the motion. The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Snyder moved to deny the request for a limited license by Dr. Barbara Kolde. Dr. Ritter seconded the motion. The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

The next board meeting will be held in the Topeka Capitol on January 24, 2024.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 12:23 pm

Signed: Mosey Flowers DVM Date: 1-24-24