

KANSAS BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS
KBVE Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 22, 2025, 10:00 AM
In Person: Classroom (3-N) State Capitol, Topeka, Kansas
Microsoft Teams: By Invitation

This meeting of the Kansas Board of Veterinary Examiners (KBVE) was called to order at 10:00 a.m. board member, Dr. Leann Flowers. The meeting was held in person and by Microsoft Teams. Board members participating in addition to Dr. Flowers were Dr. Stacy Rogers, Dr. Amy Ekerberg, Joe Allen, and Dr. Larry Snyder. Attending via Microsoft Teams was board president, Dr. Beth Covington and Matthew Provencher. Also present in person were Kevin Fowler, Konrad Coe, Jessica Wrosch, Dr. Mark Olson, and Representative Dr. Fred Gardner (arriving at 12:30 pm). Megan Kilgore from the KVMA attended in person and Mary Berg from the KVTA attended via Microsoft Teams. Others attending via Microsoft Teams were Michelle Moudy who arrived at 11:23 am and Dr. Andrew Skidmore who arrived at 11:43 am.

Dr. Flowers welcomed and thanked those in attendance from the KVMA and the KVTA.

Dr. Olson reported that agenda item O. would have a time change from 12:00 pm to 11:30 am. Dr. Snyder moved to adopt the agenda and Dr. Ekerberg seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Ekerberg moved and Dr. Rogers seconded a motion for the board to take a recess for board members to meet with legislators and reconvene the meeting at 11:00 am. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Vice President Dr. Randy Norton joined and reconvened the meeting at 11:00 am.

Dr. Norton welcomed Megan Kilgore from the KVMA and Mary Berg from the KVTA.

Dr. Ekerberg moved to approve the board minutes as written from the November 12, 2024, meeting. Joe Allen seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Olson presented a summary to all board members of the history, timeline, updates, successes, and challenges of modernizing the Kansas veterinary practice act statutes with stakeholders to prepare board members about the talking points document to share in the Capitol with legislators during scheduled meetings today regarding a draft legislative bill. This included reporting information from the task force meetings with the KVMA and meetings with the KVTA, KDA, KSU-CVM and Kansas veterinary practitioners to bring this draft bill together.

Matthew Provencher presented his investigations status report to the board. There have been 84 complaints filed with the KBVE from the public in 2024.

Konrad Coe presented his premise audit report. There are 666 active veterinary premises in Kansas. He will be speaking on January 30, 2025, at the KSU-CVM to veterinary students about inspections, controlled substance logs and record keeping.

Jessica Wrosch presented the licensed veterinarian and registered technician office report. There are 2,841 licensed veterinarians and 778 registered veterinary technicians presently active in Kansas. Dr.

Olson and Jessica will be giving the Kansas jurisprudence exam to the senior veterinary students on March 8, 2025 at the KSU-CVM.

Dr. Olson gave his executive director report. He serves as chairman of the Executive Directors Advisory Committee for the AAVSB, and they meet monthly. Dr. Covington and Dr. Olson will present to the KSU-CVM Class of 2026 on February 26, 2025, educating them about the KBVE, the NAVLE application process, and the AAVSB. He reported about the legislative draft bill, the continuity of operations plan, employee performance reviews, the new legislative budget process, and that the Heart of America Professional Network (HAPN) have name change. They are now the Strategic Professional Solutions, Inc. (SPS).

Michelle Moudy came before the board at 11:30 am to discuss her RVT application with the full board. Dr. Ekerberg moved and Dr. Snyder seconded a motion to approve Michelle Moudy to become a registered veterinary technician in Kansas. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes. Dr. Andrew Skidmore came before the board at 11:45 am to discuss having his veterinary license reissued with the full board. Dr. Flowers moved and Dr. Ekerberg seconded a motion to approve Dr. Skidmore to be licensed in Kansas. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Olson gave an update on Proposition 129 in Colorado passed on a majority vote in the state general election in November 2024 to allow a Veterinary Professional Associate (VPA).

Dr. Norton called for a recess at 12:05 pm for board members, legal counsel and staff to break for lunch.

Dr. Norton reconvened the meeting at 12:30 pm and Representative Fred Gardner joined the meeting at that time.

The board invited veterinarian Representative's Fred Gardner and Duane Droge to the meeting today to communicate their positions on the draft legislative bill with the full KBVE board. Dr. Droge did not attend, and Dr. Gardner shared that the present legislative draft he does not support, and he would oppose if introduced and he would not carry the draft legislative bill into a legislative committee in its present language. He agreed there is a need to open the practice act and agreed to sit down at the table after the legislative session is completed to come up with a draft that he would support. He recommended the board and practicing veterinarians in Kansas take the agreed upon draft to their legislators prior to the next legislative session so that all legislators would be educated on the agreed upon purpose for modernizing the practice act statutes. Dr. Gardner left the meeting at 1:27 pm to attend his next committee meeting in the Capitol.

Joe Allen moved the KBVE introduce the legislative bill to modernize the Kansas veterinary practice act statutes in this legislative session in 2025 on behalf of the KBVE board and then meet with the veterinary legislators in the House Ag and Natural Resources Committee to find a solution to the proper language that the two veterinary legislators would need to support the bill. Dr. Flowers seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Ekerberg moved to approve new language to be added to the question 2 asked in the license renewal process by adding the language, "including the KBVE". Dr. Snyder seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.


Dr. Rogers and Dr. Ekerberg reported to the board information learned at the AAVSB Annual Conference in San Diego, California in September.

Dr. Olson announced to board members that the AAVSB Annual Conference will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio on September 17-20, 2025. Dr. Olson will be attending the AAVSB Executive Director's and Registrar's Summit in Kansas City, Missouri from March 26-28, 2025.

Dr. Norton announced the next board meeting will be in Wamego on April 2, 2025, then on August 13, 2025, in Wamego. There will be a meeting at the KSU-CVM BI Auditorium in October or November for students and faculty to be able to attend.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 2:45 pm

Signed:  Date: 3/2/2025