

**Minutes of the
Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners**

October 27, 2016

Minutes of the Meeting of Team A

The meeting of Team A was called to order by Dr. Handel at 9:15 a.m. Board members in attendance: Dr. David Handel, Dr. Elizabeth Callahan. Ms. Lynne Chaput joined the meeting at 9:20 a.m. Staff members present were: Assistant Attorney General Judy Plymyer, Investigator Susan Husk, Inspectors Ellen James, and Executive Director Karen Kirksey. Inspector Pegeen Morgan arrived at 9:25 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Callahan made a motion to approve the minutes of the September meeting. Dr. Handel seconded the motion. During the discussion of the minutes, a name correction was noted. Dr. Handel also suggested that more summary information be provided on the agenda. A correction was noted on page 6 of the minutes to include the adjournment time. The motion to approve the minutes as amended passed.

At 9:16 a.m. Dr. Handel made a motion to close the meeting to discuss pending disciplinary cases before Team A. The motion was seconded by Dr. Callahan. The motion passed.

CLOSED SESSION

Status Report of Team A Cases

- Docket No.16-70
- Docket No.16-25
- Docket No.16-60
- Docket No. 16-08
- Docket No. 16 -11

The full Board convened at 10:03 a.m. Board members in attendance: Dr. Handel, Dr. Hendler, Dr. Stott, Dr. Crowl, Dr. Callahan, Ms. Chaput, and Ms. Wright-Conner. Staff present: Executive Director Karen Kirksey, Assistant Attorney General Judy Plymyer, Investigator Susan Husk, Inspectors Ellen James and Pegeen Morgan. Ms. Chaput made a motion to open the joint meeting. It was seconded by Dr. Stott. The motion passed.

Minutes of the Joint Meeting

During a discussion regarding the previous month's minutes, it was suggested that information accurately describing the case and the outcome of the team's vote be included. Dr. Stott made a motion to approve the September 2016 minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Dr. Callahan. The motion passed.

Requests for Veterinary Licensure Approval

The Board reviewed, discussed and approved a number of requests for veterinary licensure applications. A motion was made by Dr. Hendler and seconded by Dr. Handel to approve licenses for: Ann Sererak, Sarah Depenbrock, Ana Crane, Boorus Yim, Sridhar Saineni, Jahn Elliott, Amanda McGuire, Syed Golestani, and Marilynn Culbreth. The motion passed.

The Board held the license application for Dr. Katherine Lipresti, pending receipt of further information about her work experience and continuing education. A letter will be sent to Dr. Lipresti inviting her to appear before the Board at the next meeting.

Other discussion

The new Deputy Executive Director Vanessa Orlando was introduced to the Board. Her start date is November 1, 2016.

The Board reviewed the additional applications of Dr. Mark Russo and Dr. Afzal. Dr. Callahan made a motion which was seconded by Dr. Stott to approve the applications. The motion passed.

The Board will review and make suggested revisions to the Veterinary License Application for next month's meeting

Sanitation Reports

Inspectors Ellen James and Pegeen Morgan, and Inspector Susan Husk discussed their inspections of veterinary hospitals since the last Board meeting (see attached). Dr. Stott made a motion to approve the Sanitation Reports. It was seconded by Dr. Hendler. The motion passed.

Jessica Heard, DVM, at Severna Park Veterinary Hospital made an inquiry to the Board as to when paper medical records may be destroyed. The Board directed Ms. Kirksey to write to Dr. Heard to say that the records older than three years may be disposed of, for example, by shredding.

At 11:08 a.m. Dr. Stott made a motion to enter into closed session. It was seconded by Dr. Hendler. The motion passed.

Closed Session – The Board discussed the status of cases pending before the full Board:

There being no further business of the entire Board, a motion was made at 11:45 a.m. by Dr. Stott and seconded by Dr. Handel to adjourn the closed session. The motion passed.

Minutes of Team B Meeting

The meeting of Team B was called to order at 12:25 p.m. by Dr. Hendler. Team B Board members in attendance: Dr. Heather Hendler, Dr. John Stott, Dr. Perry Crowl and Victoria Wright-Conner. Staff present: Executive Director Karen Kirksey, Assistant Attorney General Judy Plymyer, Investigator Susan Husk, Inspectors Ellen James and Pegeen Morgan.

At 12:27 p.m., a motion was made by Dr. Hendler to approve the minutes. It was seconded by Dr. Crowl. The motion passed.

At 12:28 p.m., Dr. Crowl made a motion to enter into closed session. It was seconded by Ms. Wright-Conner. The motion passed.

Closed Session

Status Report on Team B Cases

- Docket No. 16-15
- Docket No. 16-39
- Docket No. 13-73
- Docket No. 16-21
- Docket No. 16-09

There being no further business, at 12:45 PM Dr. Hendler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Dr. Crowl. The meeting adjourned at 12:45 P.M.