

Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners
Meeting Minutes for August 25th, 2022

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Joint Meeting

Board Members: Dr. Elizabeth Callahan, President; Dr. Christine Calvert, Ms. Lynne Chaput, Ms. Patricia Quimby, Dr. Peter Radue and Dr. James Reed.

Staff in Attendance: Nathaniel Boan, Executive Director; Susan Husk, Assistant Director; Pegeen Morgan & Ellen James, Inspectors; Britney Branch, Administrative Specialist; Sarah Hultz, Investigator; Tonya Kendrick-Green, Licensing Administrator; Cynthia Spirt, Assistant Attorney General

Open Meeting

Dr. Callahan called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m..

Approval of the Minutes: In a motion by Dr. Reed, and seconded by Ms. Quimby, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the July 21st, 2022 Board Meeting.

Veterinary License Applications Approvals:

In a motion by Dr. Reed, and seconded by Dr. Calvert, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following veterinary license applications:

- Dr. Jennifer Mullaly
- Dr. Lisa DeVos
- Dr. Megan Harbison
- Dr. Stephanie Gibson
- Dr. Amoreena Swick
- Dr. Holly Lui
- Dr. Cara Reiter
- Dr. Audrey Jenkins
- Dr. Bo Choi
- Dr. Ashley Sharpe
- Dr. Jessica Gleeson
- Dr. Brent Gordon

Sanitation Reports:

Inspectors Ellen James and Pegeen Morgan presented the sanitation report to the Board.

- In a motion by Dr. Reed, and seconded by Ms. Quimby, the Board voted unanimously to approve the sanitation report.

CE Approval Requests:

In a motion by Dr. Calvert, and seconded by Dr. Reed, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following CE requests:

- 605 - McHarg
 - Does Qualify
- 606 - Volokhov
- 607 - Eng
- 608 - Bowie

Miscellaneous:

- Dr. Koch inquiry - Veterinary Assistants Running Tech Appointments
 - Vet Assistants are unable to perform an exam.
 - RVT/Vet Assistant could administer vaccinations/injections, but the vet must know and be providing the amount and under supervision.
 - It is still the veterinarian's responsibility and should have a valid VCPR and know the current condition of the patient.
 - Techs should be trained and if something is out of the normal, get the veterinarian to perform an examination.
 - Depends on the complications to the procedure. And it is the Veterinarian's Responsibility to ensure the tech/assistant is sufficiently skilled to handle the tasks performed.
 - Vet Must be able to defend their position if an issue or complaint is submitted.
- Animal Welfare Society of Howard County
 - 1. Is a hospital license needed for a vet to perform a vaccination clinic on premises?
 - Yes - Limited use license.
 - 2. Vet would need to establish VCPR.
 - Veterinarians must administer the vaccines.
- Formatted Regulations Discussion
 - Full physical exam including vital signs. If unable to do a full exam then document it.
 - Discussed regulations of notification of closure or retirement.
 - Issues with Teletriage and registration concerns about enforcement.
- September Meeting Plan - 2 Board Members not present.
 - One joint meeting that will hear cases.
 - October will be Team B first.

In a motion by Dr. Radue, and seconded by Dr. Reed, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting to move into an administrative closed session to perform administrative functions outside the scope of the Open Meetings Act, in accordance with § 3-103(a)(1)(i) of the General Provisions Article. The administrative functions to be performed include discussion of the specific matters identified on the Board Agenda. In the alternative, I move to close the meeting pursuant to the following Section 3-305(b):

(7) To obtain advice of counsel;

(8) To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation;

(12) To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct;" and

(13) To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter.