Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

Agenda for June 23rd, 2022

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Joint Meeting Agenda

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

Staff in Attendance: Nathaniel Boan, Executive Director; Susan Husk, Assistant Director; Cynthia Spirt, AAG, Britney Branch; Sarah Hultz

Open Meeting Agenda

Dr. Callahan called the meeting to order at 10:33.

- Approval of the Minutes of the May 26th, 2022 meeting will happen at the July 21st, 2022 meeting.

Veterinary License Applications Approvals

- In a motion by Dr. Callahan, and seconded by Dr. Reed, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following Veterinary License Applications:
  - Dr. Alba Gonzalez-Monska
  - Dr. Elizabeth Vardell
  - Dr. Stephanie Hawley
  - Dr. Virginia Shen
- In a motion by Dr. Reed, and seconded by Dr. Callahan, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following Veterinary License Application:
  - Dr. Charles Craton

CE Approval Requests

- In a motion by Dr. Reed, and seconded by Ms. Chaput, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following CE requests:
  - 569 - Oraze
  - 588 – Moore
  - 589 – Moore

- Miscellaneous
  - In a motion by Dr. Reed, and seconded by Dr. Radue, the Board voted unanimously to allow for a 2 month extension on Dr. Richard Forfa’s License (L#2257) to allow time to get Continuing Education requirements due to a medical emergency and conference reschedule causing him to be unable to complete the CE requirement before June 30th, 2022.
  - The Board considered a question regarding VCPR with new born litters of pregnant mother patients.
The Board stated that prescribing preventative medications would be allowed as a good standard of care due to it not being in the best interest of the new-born litters to be brought into clinics and potentially exposed to other animals.

- The Board considered a question regarding if TPR is required under that standards of care.
  - The Board confirmed that receiving and documenting TPR whenever possible is considered the best practice and to document any reason for not being able to get a TPR during a physical examination.

- The Board reviewed a question from the Racing Commission regarding finding an RVT to draw blood for testing.
  - The Board stated that one does not have to be an RVT to draw blood.
  - The AAEVT program would not be sufficient for the educational requirements to qualify for becoming an RVT.
  - The Board has concerns over having an unlicensed/unregistered person performing the tests as there would be no recourse available by the Board for fraudulent practices. This would be an internal issue with the Racing Commission that they should consider.

Dr. Callahan adjourned the meeting at 11:23 a.m..