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Massachusetts Board of Registration in Veterinary Medicine Public Meeting Minutes for December 13, 2018 1000 Washington Street, Conference Room 1D Boston, MA 02118-6110 9:30 a.m.

## **Board Members:**

Dr. David Diamond, Chair Dr. Stephanie Kube, Secretary Dr. Sheri Siegel, Member Dr. Karen Patti, Member Lisa Kaufmann, Public Member

## **Board Staff:**

Brian Bialas, Executive Director James O'Connor, Board Counsel Doris Lugo, Investigator

#### **Public Present:**

Dr. Robert Shurtleff, MVMA Board Liaison Susan Curtis, Executive Director, MVMA

# **Meeting Called to Order**

9:38 a.m.: Dr. Diamond, Chair, opened the meeting.

#### **Vote on Minutes**

• **Public Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2018:** The Board reviewed the public session meeting minutes of November 8, 2018. After discussion, Dr. Siegel made a motion to approve the public meeting minutes with changes, seconded by Dr. Diamond. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Board Business**

- 11.12.18 Email from R. Crane re: Veterinary Nurse Initiative: The Board discussed the email but took no action.
- **CORI Policy:** The Board discussed changes to the Board's CORI Policy that were unanticipated 48 hours before the meeting and are necessitated by the new Criminal Justice Reform Act. After discussion, Dr. Siegel made a motion to approve the changes, seconded by Dr. Kube. Motion passed unanimously.

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## Investigative Conference CLOSED under M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C

Dr. Siegel made a motion to exit the open meeting and go into investigative conference to consider open cases, seconded by Dr. Patti. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board entered investigative conference at 9:48 a.m. The Board made the following decisions while in investigative conference:

## Case Discussions (Deborah Kravitz, Prosecutor):

- 1. 2018-000690-IT-ENF (HS): Guidance given to prosecutor.
- 2. 2018-000857-IT-ENF (OI): Guidance given to prosecutor.

# **Complaints:**

- 1. 2017-001225-IT-ENF (JM): Dismissed.
- 2. 2018-000799-IT-ENF (OF): Dismissed.
- 3. 2018-000964-IT-ENF (EY): Referred to Office of Prosecutions.
- 4. 2018-000966-IT-ENF (HF): Dismissed.
- 5. 2018-000967-IT-ENF (SH): Dismissed.
- 6. 2018-000852-IT-ENF (SJ): Dr. Diamond and Dr. Kube recused themselves from the consideration of this case and left the room. Dismissed.
- 7. 2018-000854-IT-ENF (DT): Dr. Kube recused herself from the consideration of this case and left the room. Dismissed with advisory letter.
- 8. 2018-000813-IT-ENF (JL): Dr. Diamond recused himself from the consideration of this case and left the room. Referred to Office of Prosecutions.
- 9. 2018-000870-IT-ENF (JM): Dismissed.
- 10. 2018-001021-IT-ENF (AG): Dismissed.

Dr. Siegel made a motion to exit investigative conference and return to the open meeting, seconded by Dr. Patti. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board returned to the open meeting at 11:02 a.m.

# **Meeting Adjournment**

**11:02 a.m.:** Dr. Siegel made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dr. Kube. Motion passed unanimously.

The above Minutes were approved at the public meeting held on February 14, 2019.

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Brian Bialas, Executive Director

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## **List of Documents Used During the Public Meeting**

- Agenda of December 13, 2018 Meeting
- Public Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2018
- 11.12.18 Email from R. Crane re: Veterinary Nurse Initiative
- Draft CORI Policy