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Massachusetts Board of Registration in Veterinary Medicine Public Meeting Minutes for November 8, 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**

**9:41 a.m.:** Dr. Diamond, Chair, opened the meeting.

#### **Vote on Minutes**

- **Public Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2018:** The Board reviewed the public session meeting minutes of October 11, 2018. After discussion, Dr. Siegel made a motion to approve the public meeting minutes, seconded by Dr. Diamond. Motion passed unanimously.
- Executive Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2018: The Board reviewed the executive session meeting minutes of October 11, 2018. After discussion, Dr. Siegel made a motion to approve the executive session meeting minutes, seconded by Dr. Diamond. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Board Business**

• 10.10.18 Email from K. Kendall re: Reiki: The Board determined that if what the requestor describes falls under the statutory definition of veterinary medicine, then the Board's Guidelines for Complementary and Alternative Veterinary Medicine apply. Direction was given to staff to respond.

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- **10.10.18 Email from D. Beaver re: CE Approval:** The Board approved the proposed CE courses offered by the European College of Veterinary Surgeons.
- 10.23.18 Email from M. Lalumiere re: Underwater Treadmills: The Board determined that if what the requestor describes falls under the statutory definition of veterinary medicine, then it would be unlicensed practice. Direction was given to staff to respond.

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

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

The Board entered investigative conference at 9:53 a.m.

The Board made the following decisions while in Investigative Conference:

# **Complaints:**

- (1) 2018-000790-IT-ENF (TN): Closed, no action taken.
- (2) 2018-000794-IT-ENF (AP): Closed, no action taken.
- (3) 2018-000820-IT-ENF (EL): Referred to Office of Prosecutions.
- (4) 2018-000821-IT-ENF (FT): Dismissed. Dr. Kube recused herself from the consideration of this case and left the room.

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 10:13 a.m.

#### **Meeting Adjournment**

**10:18 a.m.:** Dr. Diamond made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dr. Siegel. Motion passed unanimously.

The above Minutes were approved at the public meeting held on December 13, 2018.

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Brian Bialas, Executive Director

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

- Agenda of November 8, 2018 Meeting
- Public Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2018
- Executive Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2018
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- 10.10.18 Email from D. Beaver re: CE Approval
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