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Massachusetts Board of Registration in Veterinary Medicine Public Meeting Minutes for March 14, 2019 1000 Washington Street, Conference Room 1D Boston, MA 02118-6110 9:30 a.m.

**Board Staff:** 

Brian Bialas, Executive Director

James O'Connor, Board Counsel

#### **Board Members:**

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

# Absent:

Lisa Kaufmann, Public Member

#### **Public Present:**

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

# **Meeting Called to Order**

9:33 a.m.: Dr. Kube, Chair, opened the meeting.

# **Board Business**

- **Public Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2019:** The Board reviewed the public meeting minutes of February 14, 2019. Dr. Diamond made a motion to approve the public meeting minutes, seconded by Dr. Patti. Motion passed unanimously.
- **Executive Session Minutes of February 14, 2019:** The Board reviewed the executive session meeting minutes of February 14, 2019. Dr. Siegel made a motion to approve the executive session meeting minutes, seconded by Dr. Diamond. Motion passed unanimously.

# Correspondence

• **2.5.19 Email from Slade Veterinary Hospital re: CBD Oil:** The Board discussed the email and directed staff to respond that such products fall under the Board's Guidelines for Complementary and Alternative Veterinary Medicine policy.



#### **CE Renewal Attestation Review**

- Karen Mackerer, 2019-001966-VT-REN: The Board directed staff to notify the licensee that she may not reuse the same CE credits for renewal in 2020.
- Jeffrey Pearson, 2019-002347-VT-REN: After discussion, Dr. Siegel made a motion to allow the licensee 3 months to complete 15 CE credits which he cannot reuse for renewal in 2020, seconded by Dr. Patti. Motion passed unanimously.
- Alex Walker, 2019-002238-VT-REN: After discussion, Dr. Siegel made a motion to allow the licensee 3 months to complete 15 CE credits which he cannot reuse for renewal in 2020, seconded by Dr. Patti. Motion passed unanimously.
- Gwen Kupper, 2019-002964-VT-REN: After discussion, Dr. Siegel made a motion to allow the licensee 3 months to complete 15 CE credits which she cannot reuse for renewal in 2020, seconded by Dr. Diamond. Motion passed unanimously.
- **Richard Segaloff, 2019-002563-VT-REN:** Dr. Diamond recused himself from the discussion of this matter and left the room. After discussion, Dr. Siegel made a motion to allow the licensee 3 months to complete 15 CE credits which he cannot reuse for renewal in 2020, seconded by Dr. Kube. Motion passed unanimously.

# Quasi-Judicial Session CLOSED per M.G.L. c. 30A, § 18

Dr. Siegel made a motion to exit the public meeting and go into quasi-judicial session to consider a final decision and order, seconded by Dr. Kube. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board entered quasi-judicial session at 10:13 a.m.

The Board made the following decision while in quasi-judicial session:

• 2017-000744-IT-ENF (MA): Determined sanction for Final Decision and Order

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

Dr. Siegel made a motion to exit quasi-judicial session and go into investigative conference to consider open cases, seconded by Dr. Patti. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board entered investigative conference at 10:17 a.m. The Board made the following decisions while in investigative conference:

# **Complaints:**

- 2018-001170-IT-ENF (AAMC): Dismiss with advisory letter.
- 2018-001175-IT-ENF (4PS): Close case, no action taken.
- 2018-001276-IT-ENF (CW): Dismissed.
- 2018-001305-IT-ENF (JP): Dismissed.
- 2018-001308-IT-ENF (SC): 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 10:53 a.m.

#### **Meeting Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

The above Minutes were approved at the public meeting held on April 11, 2019.

Brian P. Biela

Brian Bialas, Executive Director

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

- Agenda of March 14, 2019 Meeting
- Public Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2019
- 2.5.19 Email from Slade Veterinary Hospital re: CBD Oil
- Karen Mackerer, 2019-001966-VT-REN, CE Renewal Attestation
- Jeffrey Pearson, 2019-002347-VT-REN, CE Renewal Attestation
- Alex Walker, 2019-002238-VT-REN, CE Renewal Attestation
- Gwen Kupper, 2019-002964-VT-REN, CE Renewal Attestation
- Richard Segaloff, 2019-002563-VT-REN, CE Renewal Attestation