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Massachusetts Board of Registration in Veterinary Medicine
Public Meeting Minutes for January 14, 2021
1000 Washington Street,
Boston, MA 02118-6110
9:30 a.m.

Board Members:

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

Board Staff:

Danielle O'Neil Executive Director
Eboni Lewis Associate Executive Director
Jennifer Romeo- Porcaro Board Counsel
Alan VanTassel, Investigative Supervisor

Absent:

Meeting Called to Order

9:37 AM

Board Business

- Public Meeting Minutes of December 10, 2020. Dr. Diamond motioned to approve Dr. Kube second the motion. All in favor.

Board Counsel Report

- Veterinary Technician Policy: The Board reviewed the draft policy submitted by Board Counsel Romeo-Porcaro. Dr. Patti made a motion to delegate Dr. Kube to work with Board Counsel on revisions. Second by Dr. Diamond, all in favor.

Compliance Monitoring

- 2017-000312-IT-ENF [Carol Nyereyegona]- Dr. Diamond made a motion to deny CEUs submitted for preventative medicine as they have no correlation to the issues of discipline in the consent agreement. In addition denying the petition to remove probation status, as the licensee has not met the preventative medicine requirement. The motion was second by Dr. Patti. All in favor.

Discussion

Acupuncture Position Statement-The Board reviewed the statement from The American Academy of Veterinary Acupuncture (AAVA).- Read and Filed.



Open Session for Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of Meeting

Executive Session CLOSED per M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1), Individual Character Rather Than Competence

Dr. Patti made a motion to enter into executive session under G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1) to review an applicant's character rather than competence, seconded by Dr. Kube. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The Board entered executive session at 10: 10 a.m.

The Board returned to open session at 10:44 a.m.

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

Dr. Diamond made a motion to go into closed session, for the purpose of conducting investigatory and settlement conferences. Dr. Patti seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board entered closed session at 10:45 AM. The Board made the following decisions while in closed session:

Complaints:

- 2020-001038-IT-ENF Closed No Action W/Advisory Letter
- 2020-001095-IT-ENF Forwards to Prosecutions
- 2020-000202-IT-ENF Forward to Prosecutions

Break: 11:39-11:41 AM

By unanimous consent, the board exited closed session and entered open session at 11:52 PM.

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The meeting adjourned at 11:52 PM



Eboni Lewis, Associate Executive Director

List of Documents Used During the Public Meeting

- Agenda of January 14, 2021
- VT Tech Policy draft
- Compliance monitoring documents, Nyereregona,
- AAVA Letter to licensing board