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Massachusetts Board of Registration in Veterinary Medicine Public Meeting Minutes for May 14, 2020 1000 Washington Street, Conference Room 1D 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:

Eboni Lewis Associate Executive Director Peter Kelley Board Counsel Tonia Tassinari, Acting Executive Director

Absent:

Public Present:

Erin Spence, MVTA Mary Ann Walsh MVTA Ed Carlson, MVTA Kim Litif, Vet Tech Bob Shurtleff, MVMA Amy Rubin Daniel Young

Meeting Called to Order

9:47 a.m.: Dr. Kube, Chair, opened the meeting.

Board Business

- **Public Meeting Minutes of February13, 2020-** Dr. Diamond motioned to approve with changes, seconded by Dr. Patti. All in favor.
- **Public Meeting Minutes of March 25, 2020** Dr. Diamond motioned to approve seconded by Dr. Kube. All in favor
- **Public Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2020-** Dr. Kube motioned to approve seconded by Dr. Diamond. All in favor.
- Board Elections
 - Dr. Patti nominated Lisa Kaufmann as Board Chair seconded by Dr. Diamond.
 All in favor
 - Dr. Diamond nominated Dr. Patti as Board Secretary seconded by Dr. Kube. All in favor.

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• Maja Stodte Temporary permit extension request- Dr. Diamond made a motion to grant the extension request upon the expiration of the initial temporary permit for a 6-month period seconded by Dr. Patti. Lisa Kaufmann in favor, Dr. Kube recused.

Compliance Monitoring

- VT-15-15 and VT-15-1364 [Margo Roman] Monitor Email- Lisa Kaufmann made a motion to reject the reports submitted seconded by Dr. Patti. All in favor
- VT-15-15 and VT-15-1364 [Margo Roman] Petition to remove probation status- Dr. Patti motioned to table the petition based on the status of the monitoring reports, seconded by Dr. Kube. All in favor

Discussion

- **Regulation Review Vet Tech Scope and Comments**-Dr. Diamond moved to accept the draft, without definitions section, Dr. Kube seconded. All in favor.
- Dr. Rubin, Dr. Spencer, Kim Litif, recognized by the board from the public, made comments in favor of the board accepting the vet tech scope as well as a general legislative strategy for vet tech licensure.
- Board provided clarification on non-veterinarian practice ownership.

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

Dr. Kube made a motion to exit open session and enter closed session to conduct investigative conferences and settlement conferences, seconded by Dr. Diamond. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board entered investigative conference at 10:53 a.m. The Board made the following decisions while in investigative conference:

Complaints:

• 2020-000240-IT-ENF Read and filed

• 2020-000202-IT-ENF Fwd to Prosecutions – Dr. Kube recused

Dr. Patti made a motion to exit the Investigative Conference and return to open meeting, seconded Dr. Kube. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board returned to open session at 11:43 AM

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

Eboni Lewis, Associate Executive Director

List of Documents Used During the Public Meeting

- Agenda of May 14, Meeting
- Email Maja Stodte
- Email Monitor Margo Roman
- Petition to remove probation Margo Roman
- MVTA Comments Vet Tech Scope