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Public Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2024

Members Present: Dr. Rachel Orlowski, <i>Chair</i> Dr. David Diamond, <i>Member</i> Dr. Stephanie Kube, <i>Member</i> Dr. Candace Sloane, <i>Public Member</i> Members Absent: Dr. David Tubman, <i>Secretary</i>	Administrative Staff Present: Keith Gleason, <i>Executive Director</i> Jenna Hentoff, <i>Board Counsel</i> Milla Lewis, <i>Administrative Assistant</i> Public Attendees: Dr. Juliana Kahn Pereira Nunes
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Board members and staff appeared by video conference.

The meeting was called to order by the chair at 9:34 A.M.

- 1) **Reviewed** Minutes of the meetings March 14, 2024.
Dr. Diamond made a motion, seconded by Dr. Kube, to approve the public and executive session meeting minutes with corrections. After a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.
- 2) **Executive Director Report**
 - The Executive Director notified the Board that the Board is still awaiting the hiring of a new Executive Director for the Board.
- 3) **Legal Counsel Report** - Nothing to report.
- 4) **Board Correspondence** – No Matters presented.
- 5) **Application Reviews**
 - Dr. Juliana Kahn Pereira Nunes (Foreign Graduate Certificate)
 - The Board members discussed the applicant's application for licensure, including her submission of a foreign graduate certificate issued thru a program with the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association. Board Counsel noted that for purposes of an international veterinary graduate certificate, the Board accepts certificates issued via the PAVE program run by the AAVSB and the ECFVG program run by the AVMA and cautioned the Board against accepting an international veterinary graduate certificate issued in a foreign country and which has not been reviewed previously by the Board. The Board permitted Dr. Nunes to speak to her

application for licensure. After further discussion, the Board recommended she seek a score transfer between the CVMA and AVMA in order to be issued a certificate via the ECFVG program and further notified her of the ability to apply for a temporary permit with the Board. The Board tabled further discussion.

- 6) **Reviewed/Discussed** Policy & Regulations regarding CE completion for new graduates.
- The Board reviewed and discussed their current policy on continuing education for first year licensees. Dr. Diamond noted that the purpose of said policy was in regard to licensees who just graduated from vet school but raised a concern regarding those applicants who may apply years after graduation but not via reciprocity and therefore, were not required to have taken any education prior to licensure.
 - After discussion, the Board members asked that the policy be updated as well as a provision added to 256 CMR 9.00 to address continuing education and new graduates.
 - The Board also discussed amending 256 CMR 9.01 (3)(c) to specify that “instruction or presentation of an academic course, etc.” must be specific to veterinary medicine.
- 7) **Matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of the meeting.** No matters presented.
- 8) **Executive Session (M.G.L. c. 30A, §21 (a) (3) – Closed session) to discuss litigation strategy.**
At 10:30 A.M, Dr. Sloane made a motion, seconded by Dr. Diamond, to enter Executive Session to discuss litigation strategy pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(3). It was noted that the Board did not anticipate reentering public session but would remain in closed session after which the Board would adjourn the meeting. After a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.
- 9) **Investigative Conference (M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C – Closed session)**
The Board exited Executive Session and entered closed Investigative Conference pursuant to M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C at 10:51 A.M.

- a) Discussion of complaints prior to the issuance of an order to show cause.

Docket	Order	Recusal
2023-206670-FI-ENF	Dismiss w/advisory	
2023-000828-IT-ENF	Dismiss w/advisory	
2024-000015-IT-ENF	Tabled	
2024-000020-IT-ENF	Dismiss w/advisory	
2024-000026-IT-ENF	Dismiss	
2024-000037-IT-ENF	Dismiss + open new complaint	
2024-000150-IT-ENF	Dismiss	Dr. Orlowski

- 10) **Adjournment** – the next scheduled meeting is May 9, 2024.
At 12:28 P.M., Dr. Sloane made a motion, Dr. Diamond seconded, and the members unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting minutes signed by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dr. Rachel Orłowski', written in a cursive style.

Board Chair, Dr. Rachel Orłowski

List of Documents Used During the Public Meeting:

- Meeting Agenda
- March 14, 2024, Public and Executive Session Meeting Minutes
- Application documents for Dr. Juliana Kahn Pereira Nunes
- Board policy on Continuing Education in First Year of Licensure
- Draft regulations, 256 CMR 9.00