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REGULATION SARAH WILKINSON COMMISSIONER, DIVISION OF

OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE

Public Meeting Minutes Thursday September 14, 2023

Members Present: Administrative Staff Present: Keith Gleason, Executive Director Dr. David Diamond, Chair Jenna Hentoff, Board Counsel Dr. Stephanie Kube, Member Dr. Rachel Orlowski, Secretary Milla Lewis, Administrative Assistant Dr. David Tubman, Member Dr. Candance Sloane, Public Member **Public Attendees:**

Maryann Walsh, Mass Vet Techs Association Ed Carlson, Mass Vet Techs Association

Jamie Falzone, Mass Vet Medical Association

Dr. Heidi Tapscott Dr. David Mordasky

Board members and staff appeared by videoconference.

The meeting was called to order by the chair at 9:30 A.M.

1) Review Minutes of the meeting of August 10, 2023

Dr. Orlowski made a motion, seconded by Dr. Tubman, to approve the August public session minutes. The motion passed by majority.

Abstained: Dr. Sloane

2) Executive Director Administrative Report

- The Executive Director updated the Board on the continuing education audit being done through the Office of Investigations. Audits will be done agency-wide audit for all Boards with such requirements.
- Dr. Tubman and Dr. Diamond were noted as attending the upcoming AAVSB conference.

3) **Legal Counsel Report**

- Counsel requested Board member participation in upcoming administrative hearings scheduled for January 9, 10, 11, 2024 and February 15, 16, 2024. Board members able to participate will be confirmed via email.
- Counsel also mentioned that prosecutors are seeking expert witnesses in regard to hearings. Dr. Diamond suggested reaching out to the Dean at Tufts and Dr. Orlowski suggested also contacting the MVMA.

4) Board Correspondence

- a) Requesting CE approval of Zebra fish husbandry online course
 - After discussion and consensus that the course would help the licensee grow professionally, Dr. Tubman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Orlowski, to approve the course for CE credit. The motion passed unanimously.

5) Application Reviews

- a) Temporary Permit extension Ellen Bourdon
 - Dr. Bourdon requested an extension of her temporary permit which was issued by the Board March 9, 2023. The Executive Director notified the Board that due to the timing of the expiration of Dr. Bourdon's temporary permit, the Executive Director extended the temporary permit for 6 months after review and discussion with the Chair and Counsel. After discussion, Dr. Diamond made a motion, seconded by Dr. Tubman, to ratify the 6 month extension of Dr. Bourdon's temporary permit. The motion passed unanimously.
- b) Application for reinstatement of licensure Dr. David Mordasky
 - Dr. Mordasky applied for reinstatement of his license which has expired and disclosed prior disciplinary action in connection with said application. After discussion and interview with the applicant, Dr. Kube made a motion, seconded by Dr. Diamond, to approve the application for reinstatement. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6) Matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of the meeting none.

7) Investigative Conference (M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C – Closed session)

At 10:26 A.M., the Chair announced that the rest of the meeting will be for discussion of items in closed session, and upon conclusion, the Board would adjourn. Dr. Orlowski made a motion, seconded by Dr. Tubman, to enter closed Investigative Conference pursuant to G.L. c. 112, § 65C. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Docket	Determination	Recusal
2023-000157-IT-ENF	Refer to	
	prosecutions	
2023-000338-IT-ENF	Dismiss	Dr. Tubman
2023-000349-IT-ENF	Dismiss	
2023-000358-IT-ENF	Dismiss	
2023-000361-IT-ENF	Dismiss	Dr. Kube
2023-000387-IT-ENF	Refer to	
	prosecutions	
2023-000402-IT-ENF	Dismiss	
2023-000406-IT-ENF	Dismiss with	
	advisory	
2023-000422-IT-ENF	Refer to	
	prosecutions	
2023-000540-IT-ENF	Closed/no action	

8) Adjournment – the next scheduled meeting is October 12, 2023.

At 1:29 P.M., Dr. Sloane made a motion, Dr. Tubman seconded, and the members unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting minutes signed by:

Board Chair, Dr. David Diamond

List of Documents Used During the Public Meeting:

- Meeting Agenda
- August 10, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- Correspondence re: Zebra Fish Husbandry online CE course
- Application for Temporary Permit extension Ellen Bourdon
- Application for reinstatement of license David Mordasky