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Massachusetts Board of Registration in Veterinary Medicine
Open Board Minutes for May 11, 2017

Board Members:

Dr. Karen Patti, Chair
Dr. Sheri Siegel, Member
Dr. David Diamond, Member
Dr. Stephanie Kube, Member
Donna Turley, Esq., Member (absent)

Board Staff:

James O'Connor, Board Counsel
Robert Williams, Investigator

Public Present:

Susan Curtis, Massachusetts Veterinary Medical Association (MVMA)
Dr. Robert Shurtleff, Massachusetts Veterinary Medical Association (MVMA)
Theresa Shurtleff

Meeting Called to Order: 9:37 am

Dr. Patti, Chair, called the meeting to order with a moment of silence. James O'Connor reviewed the evacuation plan in the event of an emergency.

Vote on Meeting Minutes:

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from April 13, 2017 with minor amendments. Dr. Siegel made a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Diamond seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

Regulation Review

Update on the Status of New Board Regulations, Board Counsel reported that the amendments to the regulations pursuant to Executive Order 562 would go into effect on May 19, 2017.

Other Board Business

Susan Curtis, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Veterinary Medical Association (MVMA), inquired about the feasibility of sharing a database of licensees e-mail addresses with the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources to effectuate communication between the agencies in the event of emergencies. Board staff will report back to the Board at a subsequent meeting.



Investigative Conference - Closed Session under M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C:

10:12 am: Dr. Patti made a motion to go into closed session. Donna Turley, Esq. seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

The Board made the following decisions while in Investigative Conference:

- (a) VT-2015-001421, VT-2015-001420, VT-2015-001418: Tabled
- (b) VT-2016-1009: dismissed without prejudice
- (c) 2017-000197-IT-ENF: staff assignment was closed with no action
- (d) 2017-000457-IT-ENF: dismissed without prejudice
- (e) VT-2016-1097: dismissed with an advisory letter

Dr. Siegel made a motion to re-open the meeting. Dr. Kube seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

Meeting Adjournment:

12:02: Dr. Siegel made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Kube seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by the Board.

List of Documents:

- Agenda of April 13, 2017 Meeting
- Minutes of March 9, 2017 Meeting



Karen Patti, Chair
Board of Registration in Veterinary Medicine