

STATE OF NEVADA



BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Thursday, January 20, 2022, at 8:30AM at:

Video/Teleconference Venue: Telephone/Audio Only: 857-799-9907

Online meeting ID: nevadaveterinary

Online meeting: <https://join.freeconferencecall.com/nevadaveterinary>

Board Members Present

Steve Damonte, DVM, President
James O’Dea, DVM, Vice President
Deborah White, DVM, Treasurer
Ron Sandoval, DVM
John Bullard, DVM
Deborah White, DVM
Michael Knehr, DVM
Melissa Schalles, LVT

Board Staff Present

Jennifer Pedigo, Executive Director
Christina Johnson, LVT, Hospital Inspector
John Crumley, DVM, Investigator
Coretta Patterson, DVM, DACVIM, Investigator
Louis Ling, Esq., Board Counsel

Dr. Damonte, Board President called the meeting to order at 9:06am. Dr. Damonte took roll call of Board members and staff; Ms. Peterson was not present.

Public Comment: None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approval of Board Minutes for Possible Action**
 - A. **October 21, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes**
 - B. **November 29, 2021, Board Meeting minutes**
 - C. **December 7, 2021, LVT/VTIT Alternate Credential Ad Hoc Committee Meeting minutes**

Discussion: The minutes were reviewed by the Board.

Motion: Dr. White moved to accept the minutes for Items A – C.

Second: Ms. Schalles

Passed: Unanimous.

No public comment was given.

REGULAR AGENDA

2. **Review & Determination of Complaints/Disciplinary Action & Disciplinary Hearings for Possible Action:** The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person. (NRS 241.030)

- A. **05-2021DVM-38: Kimberli Johnson, DVM (1307): Settlement Agreement or Board Decision for Administrative Hearing.**

Discussion: Mr. Ling reviewed the case and provided the Board with an overview of the proposed Settlement Agreement.

Motion: Ms. Schalles moved to accept the Settlement Agreement.

Second: Dr. Knehr

Passed: Unanimous; Dr. O’Dea abstained.

No public comment was given.

- B. **06-2021FAC-52: Lone Mountain Animal Hospital (H171): Settlement Agreement or Board Decision for Administrative Hearing**

Discussion: Mr. Ling reviewed the case and provided the Board with an overview of the proposed Settlement Agreement.

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to accept the Settlement Agreement.

Second: Dr. Sandoval

Passed: Unanimous; Dr. White recused herself.

No public comment was given.

3. Requests for Review/Approval/Waiver of Registration, Licensure Requirements, Examination Requirements, Extensions, Education Approval, Criminal Background, Disciplinary Actions, or Reinstatement (For Possible Action)

A. Wendy Gaytan: Request for approval of education requirement for LVT/VTIT

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Ms. Gaytan was present for discussions.

Motion: Dr. Sandoval moved to accept Ms. Gaytan's education for licensure.

Second: Dr. Damonte

Passed: Unanimous.

B. Taylor Greasley: Request for approval of education requirement for LVT/VTIT

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Ms. Greasley was not present for discussions.

Motion: Ms. Schalles moved to accept Ms. Greasley's education for licensure.

Second: Dr. O'Dea

Passed: Unanimous.

C. Lily Hernandez: Request for approval of education requirement for LVT/VTIT

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Ms. Hernandez was not present for discussions.

Motion: Dr. O'Dea moved to accept Ms. Hernandez's education for licensure.

Second: Dr. White

Passed: Aye- Dr. O'Dea, Dr. White, Dr. Bullard, Dr. Knehr, Dr. Damonte; Nay- Dr. Sandoval, Ms. Schalles. Passed.

D. Dominique Ortiz: Request for approval of education requirement for LVT/VTIT

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Ms. Ortiz was present for discussions.

Motion: Ms. Schalles moved to deny Ms. Ortiz's registration request.

Second: Dr. Sandoval

Passed: Aye- Ms. Schalles, Dr. Sandoval; Nay- Dr. O'Dea, Dr. Bullard, Dr. Knehr, Dr. Damonte. Dr. White recused herself. Motion failed.

Discussion: Dr. O'Dea recommended tabling the application for further information

Motion: Dr. O'Dea moved to table Ms. Ortiz's registration to obtain further educational transcripts.

Second: Dr. Knehr

Passed: Unanimous. Dr. White recused herself. Motion passed.

E. Denise Soto: Request for approval of education requirement for LVT/VTIT

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Ms. Soto was not present for discussions.

Motion: Ms. Schalles moved to deny Ms. Soto's registration request.

Second: Dr. O'Dea

Passed: Unanimous.

F. Kayla Barclay: Request for extension of VTIT registration

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Ms. Barclay was not present for discussions.

Motion: Dr. O'Dea moved to extend Ms. Barclay's VTIT registration for 1 year.

Second: Dr. Bullard

Passed: Unanimous.

G. Danielle Auzenne, DVM: Request for extension of VGAL registration

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Dr. Auzenne was not present on the call.

Motion: Dr. White moved to extend Dr. Auzenne's VGAL registration for 1 year.

Second: Dr. O'Dea

Passed: Unanimous.

H. Kyrollos Hana, DVM: Request for extension of VGAL registration

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Dr. Hana was present on the call.

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to extend Dr. Hana's VGAL registration for 1 year.

Second: Dr. Bullard

Passed: Unanimous.

I. Eduardo Gutierrez, DVM: Request for extension of VGAL registration

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Dr. Gutierrez was present on the call.

Motion: Dr. O'Dea moved to extend Dr. Gutierrez's VGAL registration for 1 year.

Second: Dr. White

Passed: Unanimous.

4. Staff Reports (For Possible Action)

A. Inspection Report-Christina Johnson, LVT

Ms. Johnson presented the inspection report.

B. Administrative Report-Jennifer Pedigo, Executive Director

Ms. Pedigo presented the administrative report.

C. Legal Report, Louis Ling, Esq

No updates were reported.

D. Legislative Report- Neena Laxalt

Ms. Pedigo presented the legislative report as Ms. Laxalt was required to be in a committee meeting at the legislature. Ms. Pedigo updated the Board on interim activities.

E. Financial Report-Jennifer Pedigo, Executive Director

Ms. Pedigo presented the financial report.

F. FY 2021 Audit-Jennifer Pedigo, Executive Director

Ms. Pedigo presented the final financial audit for 2021.

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to accept the 2021 audit.

Second: Dr. O’Dea

Passed: Unanimous.

5. Consideration and Discussion in-person continuing education requirement for 2022 and/or 2023 (For Possible Action)

Discussion: Ms. Pedigo led discussions with the Board regarding CE requirements for 2023 renewal period.

Motion: Dr. O’Dea moved to waive the in-person CE requirement for 2023 renewal.

Second: Ms. Schalles

Passed: Unanimous.

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7. Consideration and Discussion of Possible Future Regulation, Statute, or Policy Items (For Possible Action)

A. Ad Hoc Committee Report Regarding Point System for LVT/VTIT Application Evaluation

Ms. Pedigo reviewed the meeting held by the ad hoc committee on December 7, 2021 and the recommendations made by the committee regarding requirements for applicants with Bachelor of Science degrees and PAVE for LVT’s Program. The Board recommended holding a meeting with educational stakeholders at their next meeting and drafting regulation changes to education requirements for LVT and VTIT registrants.

B. Telemedicine Unlicensed Practice Enforcement

Ms. Pedigo discussed the changes within AB200 to telemedicine rules and that a committee was convened to establish parameters and assemble information regarding current telemedicine field.

C. Review of Draft Language for Future Regulations

Ms. Pedigo led a discussion of draft language for updated and new regulations. Mr. Ling will draft the changes noted by the Board for the next meeting of the Board.

D. Standard of Care: Radiology Studies

Dr. White researched radiology regarding the standard of care for average number of views that are needed for appropriate diagnosis. Recommendations from the Board were to increase education of licensees on this topic.

E. Letter of Correction Template

Ms. Pedigo presented a draft version of the Letter of Correction for review by the Board

8. Executive Director Performance Review and Consideration of Salary Increase (For Possible Action)

Discussion: Dr Sandoval led the discussion regarding Ms. Pedigo's past performance for consideration of salary increase.

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to increase Ms. Pedigo's annual salary 12%.

Second: Ms. Schalles

Passed: Unanimous.

9. Agenda items for next meeting

1. Telemedicine committee update
2. Updated regulatory draft language
3. Ad Hoc committee update
 - Meeting with education stakeholders
 - Discussion of draft regulatory language

10. Public Comment: None

11. Adjournment for Possible Action

Motion: Dr. O'Dea moved to adjourn at 4:29 pm.

Second: Dr. Sandoval

Passed: Unanimous.