

STATE OF NEVADA



BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Minutes

Thursday, October 20, 2022, at 8:30 am and Friday, October 21, 2022, at 8:30am.

**Fairfield Inn and Suites Las Vegas Airport South
355 E. Warm Springs Rd.
Las Vegas, NV 89119**

Video/Teleconference Venue:

Telephone/Audio Only: 857-799-9907

Online meeting ID: nevadaveterinary

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

Steve Damonte, DVM, Board President
Deborah White, DVM, Treasurer
Stacy Hosking, DVM
Michael Knehr, DVM
John Bullard, DVM
Crystal Vaquera, LVT
Jacqueline Peterson, Public Member

Jennifer Pedigo, Executive Director
Christina Johnson, LVT, Hospital Inspector
John Crumley, DVM, Investigator
Louis Ling, Board Counsel

Dr. Damonte, Board president, called the meeting to order at 9:01 am. Dr. Damonte took roll of Board members and staff. Dr. James O'Dea was absent.

Public Comment: None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Board Minutes for Possible Action

A. July 21, 2022, Board Meeting Minutes

Discussion: The minutes were reviewed by the Board.

Motion: Dr. Deborah White moved to accept the minutes.

Second: Dr. Stacy Hosking

Passed: Unanimous.

No public comment was given.

REGULAR AGENDA

2. Review & Determination of Complaints/Disciplinary Action & Disciplinary Hearings (For Possible Action)

A. 03-2022DVM-14: Robert Fuentes, DVM (1562) Settlement Agreement or Board Decision for Administrative Action

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

Motion: Dr. John Bullard moved to accept the Settlement Agreement.

Second: Dr. Michael Knehr

Passed: Unanimous; Dr. White, Dr. Hosking, and Dr. Steve Damonte abstained.

No public comment was given.

B. 03-2022FAC-18 and 04-2022DVM-23: Pecos-Russell Animal Hospital (H188) and Paula Paetz, DVM (0480) Settlement Agreement or Board Decision for Administrative Action

Discussion: Ms. Jennifer Pedigo informed the Board that no agreement had been reached with Dr. Paetz and requested a vote to proceed to hearing.

Motion: Dr. White moved to proceed to hearing.

Second: Dr. Knehr

Passed: Unanimous.

No public comment was given.

C. 05-2022DVM-34: Birjoginder Gill, DVM (2417) Settlement Agreement or Board Decision for Hearing

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

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

Second: Dr. Hosking

Passed: Unanimous.

No public comment was given.

D. 06-2022LVT-39: Krystina Molina, LVT (LVT977) Settlement Agreement or Board Decision for Administrative Action

Discussion: Ms. Pedigo informed the Board that no agreement had been reached with Krystina Molina, LVT and requested a vote to proceed to hearing.

Motion: Dr. White moved proceed to hearing.

Second: Dr. Knehr

Passed: Unanimous; Dr. Knehr and Dr. Bullard abstained.

No public comment was given.

E. 06-2022DVM-41: Chrysann Collatos, DVM (1067) Settlement Agreement or Board Decision for Administrative Action

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

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

Second: Dr. White

Passed: Unanimous; Ms. Jacqueline Peterson abstained.

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. Kimberly Holford: Request for Veterinarian-Graduate-Awaiting-Licensure (VGAL) Extension

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Dr. Holford was not present.

Motion: Dr. White moved to extend Dr. Holford's VGAL for 12 months.

Second: Dr. Hosking

Passed: All aye.

B. Emily Renner, DVM: Request for review of disciplinary action and approval of veterinary licensure

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Dr. Renner was present for discussions.

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to accept Dr. Renner's veterinary license.

Second: Dr. Hosking

Passed: All aye.

C. Tejpaal Ghumman, DVM: Request for review of disciplinary action and approval of veterinary licensure

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Dr. Ghumman was present for discussions.

Motion: Dr. Bullard moved to deny Dr. Ghumann's application

Second: Dr. Knehr

Passed: All aye.

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

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

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to accept Ms. Ortiz's education for VTIT/LVT licensure.

Second: Dr. Bullard

Passed: All aye.

E. Amanda Kocar: Request for approval of education for VTIT/LVT license

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

Motion: Dr. White moved to table Ms. Kocar's application for LVT until she can be present or submit information regarding Board member questions.

Second: Dr. Hosking

Passed: Passed; Aye- Dr. White, Dr. Hosking, Dr. Knehr, Ms. Peterson, Ms. Vaquera; Nay-Dr. Bullard and Dr. Damonte.

F. Carolina Villoria: Request for approval of education for VTIT/LVT license

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

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to table Ms. Villoria's application and review it using the VTIT rubric at the January 2023 Board Meeting.

Second: Dr. Damonte

Passed: Unanimous.

G. Sabrina Foreman: Request for extension of VTIT registration

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

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to extend Ms. Foreman's VTIT registration for 1 year.

Second: Dr. White

Passed: All aye.

H. Kelle Jaeger: Request for extension of VTIT registration

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

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to deny Ms. Jaeger's extension application.

Second: Dr. Hosking

Passed: All aye.

I. Max Meehan: Request for extension of VTIT registration

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Mr. Meehan was present for discussions.

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to table Mr. Meehan's application and review it using the VTIT rubric at the January 2023 Board Meeting.

Second: Dr. White

Passed: Unanimous.

J. Misty Magee: Request for extension of VTIT registration

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

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to extend Ms. Magee's VTIT registration for 1 year. Must attempt the VTNE before further extensions are considered.

Second: Dr. Bullard

Passed: All aye.

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. Financial Report-Jennifer Pedigo, Executive Director

Ms. Pedigo presented the administrative report.

Motion: Dr. White moved to accept the financial report.

Second: Dr. Bullard

Passed: All aye.

D. Investigation Report-John Crumley, DVM, Investigator

Dr. Crumley presented the investigative report.

E. Legal Report, Louis Ling, Esq

No update to report.

F. Legislative Report

Ms. Pedigo presented the legislative update.

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

A. Update, Consideration, and Discussion Regarding Committee Activity and Membership (For Possible Action)

Ms. Pedigo requested to appoint Crystal Vaquera, LVT to the regulation committee to fill the vacant seat.

Motion: Dr. Damonte moved to add Ms. Vaquera to the regulation committee.

Second: Dr. White

Passed: All Aye.

Additionally, Ms. Pedigo requested volunteer members for reviewing applications submitted under the forthcoming alternative education evaluation rubric regulations and for a member that would be available during the upcoming legislative session. Dr. Hosking volunteered for the legislative session and Dr. Knehr and Ms. Crystal Vaquera volunteered for application review.

B. Update Regarding CE Programming (For Possible Action)

Ms. Pedigo and Dr. Crumley outlined ideas for changes and updates pertaining to upcoming CE programs.

6. Consideration and Determination regarding Petitions submitted October 3, 2022, and August 8, 2022, to Modify Terms of Probation for Vincent Alexis, DVM (1109) (For Possible Action)

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Dr. Alexis was present for discussions.

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to deny Dr. Alexis' petitioner to alter Terms of Probation regarding disclosure of his prior conviction. The Board moved to accept Dr. Alexis' petition to modify the terms of the required quarterly reporting.

Second: Dr. Bullard

Passed: All aye.

No public comment.

Public Comment: Dennis Lopez, LVT made public comment regarding the proposed VTIT rubric.

The meeting was continued at 4:15PM and scheduled to reconvene Friday, October 21, 2022, at 8:30am.

Dr. White called the meeting back to order at 8:30 am and took roll. Dr. O'Dea, Dr. Damonte and Ms. Peterson were absent.

7. Public Hearing to Adopt Regulations (For Possible Action)

A. R082-22 (For Possible Action)

Ms. Pedigo gave a brief update prior to beginning review of the changes made requested at the last workshop.

Public Comment: None

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to move accept the language with no changes and to submit the regulations to the Legislative Commission.

Second: Dr. Hosking

Passed: All aye.

No public comment.

B. R083-22 (For Possible Action)

Ms. Pedigo gave a brief update regarding the previous changes made at the last workshop.

Public Comment: Dennis Lopez, LVT made public comment regarding the proposed VTIT application rubric.

Motion: Dr. Hosking moved to move accept the language with no changes and to submit the regulations to the Legislative Commission.

Second: Dr. Bullard

Passed: All aye.

Public comment: None

8. CLEAR Board Training

Jan Robinson led the Board in training and team building.

9. Consideration and Approval of Contract for Accounting and Auditing Services (For Possible Action)

Ms. Pedigo presented the proposed new accounting and auditing services company.

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to accept the proposal for the new accounting firm.

Second: Dr. Hosking

Passed: Unanimous.

10. Agenda items for next meeting

- a. Stress and mental health concerns regarding receiving a complaint.
- b. Duration of reporting of discipline.
- c. Consider annual review for possible fee changes.

11. Public Comment: None

12. Adjournment (For Possible Action)

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to adjourn at 3:49 pm.

Second: Dr. Hosking

Passed: Unanimous.