

STATE OF NEVADA



BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

MINUTES

Thursday, April 20, 2023, at 10:00am.

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
James O'Dea, DVM, Board Vice President
Deborah White, DVM, Treasurer
Stacy Hosking, DVM
Michael Knehr, DVM
John Bullard, DVM
Crystal Vaquera, LVT

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

Dr. Steve Damonte, Board President, called the meeting to order at 10:04 am. Dr. Damonte took roll of Board members and staff. Ms. Jacqueline Peterson was absent.

Public Comment: Public comment given by Melissa Schalles, LVT, Dennis Olsen, DVM, A.J. Shaffer, LVT, Nathalie Cerda, VTIT, and Brianna Hernandez, VTIT regarding proposed regulation changes.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approval of Board Minutes for Possible Action**
 - A. **September 14, 2022 Regulation Workshop Minutes**
 - B. **December 8, 2022 Regulation Committee Minutes**
 - C. **January 19, 2023 Board meeting**
 - D. **February 10, 2023 Regulation Committee Minutes**
 - E. **March 16, 2023 Board meeting**

Discussion: The minutes (items A – E) were reviewed by the Board.

Motion: Dr. James O’Dea moved to accept the minutes with the correction to item 2C in the January 19, 2023 minutes.

Second: Dr. Deborah White

Passed: Unanimous.

No public comment was given.

REGULAR AGENDA

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

- A. **04-2022DVM-30: Laura Warren, DVM (2563): 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. O’Dea moved to accept the Settlement Agreement.

Second: Dr. Hosking

Passed: Aye – Dr. John Bullard, Dr. Michael Knehr; Dr. Stacy Hosking, Dr. Steve Damonte; Nay – Dr. Deborah White. Crystal Vaquera, LVT abstained.

No public comment was given.

- B. **08-2022DVM-45: Maninder Herr, DVM (1401): Settlement Agreement or Board Decision for Administrative Action**

Item not presented.

C. 09-2022DVM-50: Lance Kidder (2727): Settlement Agreement or Board Decision for Administrative Action

Item not presented.

D. 09-2022DVM-51: Allison Bellgrau (2767): Settlement Agreement or Board Decision for Administrative Action

Item not presented.

E. 11-2022DVM-67: Tiffany Moore (2894): 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. Damonte moved to accept the settlement agreement.

Second: Dr. Hosking

Passed: Unanimous; Dr. White, Dr. O’Dea, Dr. Bullard, and Dr. Knehr abstained.

No public comment was given.

F. 03-2023PAR-31: James White (969): Settlement Agreement or Board Decision for Administrative Action

Item not presented.

G. 03-2023PAR-32: Joshua Harvey (1686): Settlement Agreement or Board Decision for Administrative Action

Discussion: Mr. Louis Ling reviewed the parallel discipline with Arkansas Veterinary Board and provided the Board with an overview of the proposed Settlement Agreement.

Motion: Dr. O’Dea moved to accept the Settlement Agreement.

Second: Dr. Knehr

Passed: Unanimous. Dr. Damonte, Dr. White, and Dr. Hosking 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. Aleksander Janjic: Request for VGAL Extension

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Dr. Janjic was present.

Motion: Dr. Hosking moved to extend Dr. Janjic’s VGAL for 12 months.

Second: Dr. Knehr

Passed: Unanimous.

B. Jasmine Smith: Request for VGAL Extension

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

Motion: Dr. White moved to extend Dr. Smiths VGAL for 12 months.

Second: Dr. Bullard

Passed: Unanimous

C. Amirsan Banino: Request for VGAL Extension

Discussion: The Board reviewed all documentation presented. Dr. Banino was present.

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to extend Dr. Banino's VGAL for 12 months.

Second: Dr. Hosking

Passed: Unanimous.

D. Kayla Barclay: Request for extension of VTIT registration

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

Motion: Dr. O'Dea moved to table Ms. Barclay's application until she could be present.

Second: Dr. Hosking

Passed: All aye.

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to approve Ms. Barclay's VTIT extension application for 12 months.

Second: Dr. O'Dea

Passed: All aye; Dr. White abstained.

4. Update on Executive Order 2023-003 and 2023-004 Reporting. (For Possible Action)

Ms. Pedigo reviewed the status of the reporting per Executive Order 2023-003 and 2023-004

5. 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. Conference Report-Jennifer Pedigo, Executive Director

Ms. Pedigo presented the Conference Report.

D. Financial Report-Jennifer Pedigo, Executive Director

Ms. Pedigo presented the Financial Report.

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

Second: Dr. Bullard

Passed: All aye.

E. Investigation Report-John Crumley, DVM, Investigator

Dr. Crumley presented the Investigative Report.

F. Legal Report, Louis Ling, Esq

No report given.

G. Legislative Report- Neena Laxalt

Ms. Pedigo, Mr. Ling, and Dr. Hosking presented the Legislative Report.

No public comment given on any of the reporting from Agenda Item 5A-5G.

6. Consideration and Discussion of Possible Future Regulation, Policy, Education and Outreach (For Possible Action)

A. Update Regarding CE Programming and Anatomy of a Complaint (For Possible Action)

Dr. Crumley updated the Board on updated presentation and plans for presentation testing/focus groups for '*Anatomy of a Complaint*'.

B. Policy discussion regarding review and approval for VGAL Extensions (For Possible Action)

Ms. Pedigo queried the Board regarding approval of VGAL extension applications.

Motion: Dr. Damonte moved to have VGAL extension application reviewed by a committee. Dr. Knehr volunteered to sit on the committee to review VGAL application extensions.

Second: Dr. White

Passed: All aye.

C. Regulation Committee Update (For Possible Action)

Ms. Pedigo reviewed the activities of the Regulation Committee and updated the Board related to future topics for consideration.

7. Review and Discussion of Annual Performance Review of Executive Director, Jennifer Pedigo, and consideration of salary increase (For Possible Action)

Dr. O'Dea presented the review data collected for Ms. Pedigo's performance review. The Board requested Ms. Pedigo provide further information regarding industry pay standards before issuing an increase.

8. Agenda items for next meeting

- Graduation data through COVID
- VTNE pass rates for different Veterinary Technician education institutions.
- VGAL CE and jurisprudence examinations
- Anatomy of a complaint – possible presentation
- Education/educator advisory committee
- Regulation committee update

9. Public Comment: No public comment given.

10. Adjournment for Possible Action

Motion: Dr. Knehr moved to adjourn at 2:19p.

Second: Dr. O'Dea

Passed: All aye.