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MICHIGAN BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE MEETING OF APRIL 25, 2013

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Veterinary Medicine met in regular session on April 25, 2013 at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 1, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Lawrence Letsche, DVM, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Lawrence A. Letsche, DVM, Chairperson
Christopher Rohwer, DVM, Vice-Chairperson
Carlene Allen, Public Member
Marianne Tear, MS, LVT
Colleen Thorp-Stout, DVM
Charlotte Kim, DVM
Lynn Happel, DVM
Renee Werth, Public Member
Steven Halstead, DVM, MS, *Ex-Officio* Member

Members Absent: Kimlee Beattie, Public Member

Staff Present: Shellayne Grimes, Secretary, Policy, Rules and Board Support
Norene Lind, Policy Manager, Policy, Rules and Board Support
Darryl Hunter, Acting Director, Administrative Support Division
Joe Campbell, Enforcement Director
Lucinda Clark, Manager, Licensing Section
Heidi Johnson, Assistant Attorney General

Others Present: Karlene Belyea, MVMA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Rohwer, seconded by Werth, to approve the February 28, 2013 meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Werth, seconded by Rohwer, to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Veterinary Technician Exam Committee

Clark reported that she communicated yesterday with Nancy Grittman, Program Manager for the Veterinary Technician National Examination (VTNE) from the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB). The AAVSB will offer board members the opportunity to review the final examination format. Further instructions will be forthcoming.

A review of the National VT exam will be made to see if it covers the State exam information. If so, it may be possible to eliminate the State exam. The Michigan Veterinarian Technician Exam is scheduled for Friday, June 21, 2013 at Michigan State University. The Veterinarian Technician National Exam (VTNE) examination window is open between July 15, 2013 and August 15, 2013.

Allegation Review Report

Letsche reported that 16 allegations have been received since the last Board meeting and they have been distributed to board members for review.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Department Update

Lind updated the Board on the proposed license fee increases. She stated the Bureau will research the investigation and disciplinary costs associated with each professional

license and include the information with the disciplinary documents that are provided to the Disciplinary Subcommittees (DSCs). The Department expects that the DSC will consider these costs when assessing fines.

Halstead asked if there will be minimum or maximum fines. Lind responded that the statute provides for a maximum of \$250,000.00 fine per case for many violations.

Lind stated that a rule will be added to the general rules that apply to all boards. Smith informed that Rule 4918 is already included in the Board of Veterinary Medicine Rules allowing for the assessment of fines.

Letsche asked whether or not there has been a change of policy regarding professions that wish to add continuing education requirements. Lind reported that the policy remains unchanged. In order to add continuing education requirements to a profession, there must be statutory authority to do so in that profession's portion of the Public Health Code.

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

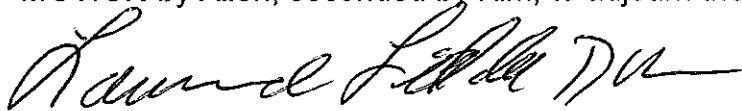
None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held June 27, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 1, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

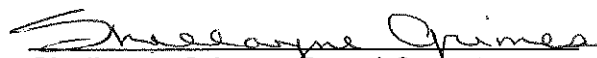
MOTION by Allen, seconded by Kim, to adjourn the meeting at 1:50 p.m.



Lawrence Letsche, DVM, Chairperson

6/27/13

Date Minutes Approved



Shellayne Grimes, Board Secretary

4/25/13

Date Minutes Prepared