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MICHIGAN BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE MEETING OF OCTOBER 24, 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 October 24, 2013 at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Lawrence Letsche, DVM, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Lawrence A. Letsche, DVM, Chairperson
Christopher Rohwer, DVM, Vice-Chairperson
Lynn Happel, DVM
Charlotte Kim, DVM
Colleen Thorp-Stout, DVM
Carlene Allen, Public Member

Members Absent: Renee Werth, Public Member
Marianne Tear, MS, LVT
Kimlee Beattie, Public Member
James Averill, DVM, *Ex-Officio* Member

Staff Present: Shellayne Grimes, Secretary, Policy, Rules and Board Support
Norene Lind, Policy Manager, Policy, Rules and Board Support
Karen Carpenter, Analyst, Policy, Rules and Board Support
Laurann Brown, Analyst, Enforcement Section
Lucinda Clark, Manager, Licensing Section
Adryne Boynton, Licensing Section
Bridget Smith, Assistant Attorney General

Others Present: Nancy Short, Governor's Appointments Office
Unknown Guest

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Rohwer, seconded by Happel, to approve the June 27, 2013 meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

MOTION PREVAILED

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Veterinary Technician Exam Committee

Boynton stated that the VTNE Exam was held on June 21, 2013; 290 candidates took the exam; and 215 candidates passed the exam.

Rohwer said the Committee will meet after the Disciplinary Subcommittee (DSC) meeting to review test items. The Committee will make a recommendation to the full Board at the next meeting as to whether or not the state veterinary technician exam should be continued.

Allegation Review Report

Letsche reported that nine (9) allegations have been received since the last Board meeting.

INTRODUCTIONS

Karen Carpenter was introduced as the new Policy Analyst assigned to assist the Board with rulemaking and various issues.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Department Update

Letsche shared a letter he received from Carole Engle, Bureau Director, regarding the department's plans to process allegations and cases in accordance with the timelines established within the Public Health Code. The electronic transmission of records should assist Board Chairs with allegation review. Letsche and Thorpe-Stout noted how difficult it can be to grant or deny authorization of an investigation in cases where additional information is needed (i.e. x-rays, etc.) in order to make such a determination.

Update from AAVSB Meeting

Letsche attended the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB) meeting September 19-21, 2013, in Kansas City, Missouri. He shared highlights of the meeting, including:

- Member Board profile information; Board composition (i.e. number of public members)
- Certain states' ability to inspect facilities, take action against unlicensed activity, and requirements for reporting animal abuse
- AAVSB committees and purpose
- Examination information
- Michigan Court of Appeals case in which a DSC decision was upheld

PUBLIC COMMENT

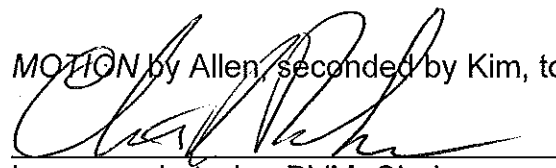
None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held December 4, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Allen, seconded by Kim, to adjourn the meeting at 2:07 p.m.


Lawrence Letsche, DVM, Chairperson

3/27/14
Date Minutes Approved


Shellayne Grimes, Board Secretary

10/24/2013
Date Minutes Prepared