

Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine
Hoover State Office Building
Borlaug Conference Room
Open Meeting Minutes
August 28, 2025

Dr. Tom Burkgren, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with the following Board Members present: Ms. Sierra Hagedon (virtual), and Dr. Scott Shuey. Also, present were Mr. Jake Larson, Assistant Attorney General, Dr. Jeff Kaisand, Executive Secretary, Meghan Orr, Administrative Assistant, Ginny Eason, staff.

Absent

Ms. Sterling Meyer
Dr. Yuko Sato

Guest(s)

Jenny Dorman, Iowa Veterinary Medical Association
Chris Gruenhagen, Iowa Farm Bureau
Dr. Randy Wheeler, Iowa Veterinary Medical Association

Approval of the Agenda

Dr. Shuey moved to approve the agenda for the August 28, 2025, Board Meeting. Motion was seconded by Ms. Hagedon. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comment (Public comment period is open and limited to two minutes)

Dr. Wheeler reported the Iowa Veterinary Medical Association Annual Meeting is scheduled for September. There will be a silent auction as well.

The Iowa Veterinary Medical Association and Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine partnered on a 4H calf and won the champion ribbon.

Approval of the Open Meeting Minutes

Dr. Shuey moved to approve the Open Meeting Minutes of July 31, 2025. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hagedon. Motion approved unanimously.

Financial Report

The Board's financial status for end of the year FY25 balance is \$ 234,302.02, and the FY26 beginning balance is \$1,305.00.

Executive Secretary Report

Dr. Kaisand reported he attempted to contact Dr. Fertig regarding the Veterinary Technician National Examination being proctored at the Des Moines Area Community College.

Chairperson Report

No report.

Assistant Attorney General Report

Mr. Larson stated the month of September is going to be very busy for him.

Board Member Report

No report.

Correspondence

None

Petition for Waiver

Dr. Dean Riedesel petitioned the Board to waive the continuing education hours requirements to reinstate his veterinary license so he may supervise a surgery class at Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Riedesel stated he is not interested in practicing veterinary medicine. He stated there will be some spays and neuters, there will be no exchange of money, and the surgeries are terminal. The Board Members stated a faculty license would be an option and he is being paid by the university to oversee the surgery lab. Dr. Kaisand stated he would discuss this option with Dr. Riedesel.

Veterinary License/Veterinary Technician Registration Application(s)

None

Miscellaneous

None

Rulemaking/House/Senate Files

The Notice of Intended Action Civil Penalties Amendment was discussed. Dr. Shuey moved to initiate rulemaking from \$1,000 civil penalty to \$10,000 civil penalty. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hagedon. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Shuey moved to go into the Closed Meeting Session pursuant to Iowa code section 21.5(1)(a) to review complaint files where investigative information required by section 272C.6(4) to be kept confidential and 21.5(1)(d) to discuss whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigation or proceedings. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hagedon. Motion approved unanimously.

Roll call vote by Board Members: Dr. Burkgren, aye; Ms. Hagedon, aye, and Dr. Shuey, aye nay – 0. Motion passed at 10:15 a.m.

Open Meeting Session

The Board reconvened the Open Meeting Session at 12:45 p.m.

Action on Closed Meeting Session Sanctions

Ms. Hagedon moved to close case 24-037 and 25-020. The motion was seconded by Dr. Sato. Motion approved unanimously.

Ms. Hagedon moved to lift the suspension and disciplinary action on case 24-016. The motion was seconded by Dr. Sato. Motion approved unanimously.

Continuing Education

The continuing education applications were reviewed by the Board Members for approval. Item 12 on the application is a requirement that must be completed for each application.

Requester	Meeting	Scientific	Mgmt.	Total Hrs.
Patrick Frank	Elanco/MWI Veterinary Event (8.29.2025 Ames, IA)	5	0	5
Renee Funk – denied – no relevance to science in veterinary medicine	Thesis Preparation: Livelihood Adaptation among Ethiopian Pastoralists (Graduate Course 6 hours)	30		30
Tracy Grodnitzky	IVMA Annual Meeting (9.25-26.2026 Ames, IA)	45	14	59
Rebekha Lauridsen	Under Pressure (8.6.2025 Ames, IA)	1		1
Josiane Cristina do Carmo Silva	Veterinarian Calf Specialist College (9.22-23.2025 Sioux Falls, SD)	9		9
Barney Gehl	Leading Edge Cattle Veterinarian Meeting (8.27.2025 Galva, IL)	4	1	5

The Board reviewed the continuing education application submitted by Dr. Funk for the graduate level course work Thesis Preparation: Livelihood Adaptation among Ethiopian Pastoralists. The Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine denied the request based on there being no relevance to science in veterinary medicine.

Next Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting is Thursday, September 25, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in the Borlaug Conference Room, Hoover State Office Building.

Adjournment

Ms. Hagedon moved to adjourn the Board Meeting at 10:59 a.m. Motion was seconded by Dr. Shuey. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey J. Kaisand, DVM