

Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine  
Wallace State Office Building, Second Floor Conference Room  
Open Meeting Minutes  
September 26, 2024

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

Absent

Dr. Scott Shuey

Guest(s)

Lana Bishop, National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America  
Jenny Dorman, Iowa Veterinary Medical Association (by phone)  
Haley Hook, Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship  
Ben Nuelle, Iowa Pork Producers

Approval of the Agenda

Ms. Meyers moved to approve the agenda for the September 26, 2024, Board Meeting. Motion was seconded by Dr. Sato. Motion approved unanimously.

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

None

Approval of the Open Meeting Minutes

It was stated several changes to the Open Meeting Minutes of August 29, 2024, were needed in the following section:

Board Members and staff present: Dr. Jeff Kaisand, Executive Secretary

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Dr. Sato moved to approve the Open Meeting Minutes of August 29, 2024, as amended. Motion was seconded by Ms. Meyer. Motion approved unanimously.

Executive Secretary Report

Dr. Kaisand reported that the Board's financial status for the current FY24 balance is \$219,919.64 and the current balance for FY25 is \$2,533.41.

Dr. Kaisand attended and participated in a Foreign Animal Disease planning meeting for the Foot and Mouth Disease table-top exercise for next year.

Dr. Kaisand attended the African Swine Fever Forum in Canada to further the relations between the United States and Canada.

The Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship and the USDA continue to monitor High Path Avian Influenza (HPAI) and the Dairy High Path Influenza. Dr. Kaisand reported that the state of California has a case of turkeys being infected with HPAI.

#### Chairperson Report

Dr. Burkgren reported that the state of Colorado proposes the inception of a new midlevel practitioner (MLP) position in veterinary medicine known as a veterinary professional associate (VPA). The Colorado American Veterinary Medical Association and the American Veterinary Medical Association opposes this proposal. There are currently no collegiate programs for this level.

Denver, Colorado trying to pass an ordinance that would ban presence of slaughter plants such as the lamb plant that kills about 20% production in the United States. The National Pork Council and Farm Bureau have donated funds to assist with this issue.

#### Assistant Attorney General Report

Mr. Larson reported that Ms. Lindsay Browning is the new Administrative Law Division Director who will oversee all licensing boards. Ms. Browning is currently scheduling meetings with all the department heads.

#### Board Member Report

No report.

#### Correspondence

None

#### Petition for Waiver

None

#### Veterinary License/Veterinary Technician Registration Application(s)

None

#### Miscellaneous

None

#### Rulemaking/House/Senate Files

Mr. Larson provided a copy of the combined 169-HF670. This document will be posted to the Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine as soon as possible.

Ms. Hook spoke to the Board Members regarding the civil penalty amount that the Board is limited to which is \$1,000. If the Board Members would like to increase the amount the changes to the Administrative Rules would need to be submitted to Ms. Hook before Thanksgiving. Mr. Larson will check with the other licensing boards to see what their civil penalty amounts are and report to the Board Members.

Dr. Sato 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. Motion was seconded by Ms. Meyer. Motion approved unanimously.

Roll call vote by Board Members: Dr. Burkgren, aye; Ms. Hagedon (by phone); Ms. Meyer, aye; Dr. Sato, aye nay – 0. Motion passed at 10:17 a.m.

Open Meeting Session

The Board reconvened the Open Meeting Session at 11:34 a.m.

Action on Closed Meeting Session Sanctions

Dr. Sato moved to close cases 23-038; 24-008; 24-011; 24-013; 24-014; 24-019; 24-024, and 24-029. Motion was seconded by Ms. Meyer. 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.
Karen Durbin	Tips for working with clients and customers (10.23.2024 Ames, IA)		1	
Debbie Coleman	Working with students - clinical teaching workshop (10.24.2024 Ames, IA)		1	
Debbie Coleman	Managing Stress (10.25.2024 Ames, IA)		1	
Stephen Poduska, DVM	EIVA Fall Meeting (10.16-17.2024 Riverside, Iowa)	12		12
Tory Novotny	AALAS ALAT Level Certification Course (3.13-6.12.2024 Iowa City, Iowa)	8	3	11
Amanpreet Grewal, DVM	Journal Club - Blue Pearl, Monterey, California 10/26/2024-6/202/2024	4		4

Dr. Sato moved to deny the unstructured journal club submission for continuing education credit submitted by Dr. Amanpreet Grewal. Motion was seconded by Ms. Meyer. Motion approved unanimously.

Next Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting is Thursday, October 31, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room, Wallace State Office Building.

Adjournment

Dr. Burkgren adjourned the Board Meeting at 11:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey J. Kaisand, DVM  
Executive Secretary