

Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine
Wallace State Office Building, Second Floor Conference Room
Open Meeting Minutes
September 29, 2022

Dr. Tom Burkgren called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. with the following Members present: Dr. Tom Burkgren, Dr. Yuko Sato, Dr. Scott Shuey, Mrs. Ann Werner, and Mr. Will Yoder. Also present were Mr. David Steward, Assistant Attorney General, Meghan Orr, Administrative Assistant, and Ginny Eason, staff.

Mr. Steward provided legal counsel coverage for the Board in Mr. Larson's absence.

Absent

Dr. Jeff Kaisand, Executive Secretary – will be in attendance after completion of a conference call
Mr. Jake Larson, Assistant Attorney General

Guest(s)

Charles Abraham, DVM, Abraham's Equine Clinic
Donna Abraham, Abraham's Equine Clinic
Chris Gruenhagen, Iowa Farm Bureau
Ben Nuelle, Iowa Pork Producers Association
Colin Tadlock, Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship

Approval of the Agenda

Mrs. Werner moved to approve the amended agenda for the September 29, 2022, Board Meeting. Motion was seconded by Dr. Sato. Motion approved unanimously.

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

Dr. Abraham spoke to the Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine and guests regarding the veterinary shortage in the equine industry and other areas of veterinary medicine. Dr. Abraham addressed the Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine regarding his equine practice and a large portion of his practice is equine reproduction. Dr. Nilson de JB Ribas Neto has worked for Dr. Abraham and has had four temporary in-state permits issued to him. Dr. Ribas is from Brazil and is working towards his diplomate status. The board certification examination is not until July 2023 at which time Dr. Ribas would sit for the examination. Dr. Abraham asked the Board Members if Dr. Ribas would be able to make application and petition the Board for a waiver so he may be employed by Dr. Abraham providing coverage for Dr. Abraham's clinic while the newly hired veterinarian completes her residency and sits for her board certification. The Board Members stated Dr. Ribas would be able to petition the Board for a waiver of the rule. Dr. Ribas must file the petition with the temporary in-state application to the Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Abraham stated that Dr. Ribas would return to Brazil in July 2023 as that is the breeding time for the mares in Brazil. Dr. Abraham stated he has four veterinarians employed in his practice and is hoping Dr. Ribas will stay with his practice after he passes the board certification. Dr. Abraham thanked the Board Members for their consideration in Dr. Ribas' inquiry regarding submitting an application and petition for a fifth temporary in-state permit.

Approval of the Open Meeting Minutes

Mrs. Werner moved to approve the amended Open Meeting Minutes of August 25, 2022. Motion was seconded by Dr. Sato. Motion approved unanimously.

Executive Secretary Report

Dr. Kaisand will make his report when he joins the meeting.

Chairperson Report

Dr. Burkgren stated he met with the Iowa Veterinary Medical Association Executive Board on September 28th. The major concern expressed was the lack of emergency services and that the problem continues to grow. The statement was made that many of the newly licensed veterinarians do not want to work after hour calls. Discussion was held among the Board Members present.

Assistant Attorney General Report

Mr. Steward introduced himself to the Board Members and guests. Mr. Steward will be providing legal counsel coverage for Mr. Larson during his absence today.

Board Member Report

Mr. Yoder stated Dr. Suzanne Millman and 15 students from Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine toured five of his facilities along with three legislators. Mr. Yoder stated it was very informative for him and for the guests. Mr. Yoder did ask the question of the students: How many of you have an agriculture background or grew up on a farm? Mr. Yoder stated only one student responded to his question.

Rulemaking/House/Senate Files

ARC 6523C – Mr. Tadlock stated the Administrative Rules Committee has a meeting scheduled for October 12th and he did not think there would be any issues since the changes that were made were not substantial. The rules should become effective October 26, 2022.

Correspondence

American Association of Veterinary State Boards VTNE Scores for July 15-31, 2022 and August 1-15, 2022, were reviewed by the Board Members and accepted as presented.

Tara Reinhardt - Veterinary Technician Application by Endorsement. The Board Members reviewed the application and attachments. Dr. Shuey moved to approve Tara Reinhardt as a Registered Veterinary Technician by Endorsement. Motion was seconded by Dr. Sato. Motion approved unanimously.

Tiffany Galatovich - Veterinary Technician Application by Endorsement. The Board Members reviewed the application and attachments. Mrs. Werner moved to approve Tiffany Galatovich

as a Registered Veterinary Technician by Endorsement. Motion was seconded by Mr. Yoder. Motion approved unanimously.

Miscellaneous

Telemedicine – The Governor’s office lifted the Proclamation. The Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine listed a notification on the Board’s website under Board News and Announcements: Effective October 1, 2022, the Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine (IBVM) is no longer suspending the enforcement of a violation of 811 Iowa Admin. Code 12.1(2) where a veterinarian cannot establish a VCPR based solely upon a telephonic or electronic communication. The Iowa Veterinary Medical Association was asked to notify their members by placing the rescinded telemedicine information in the member newsletter.

Virtual Meetings – The Board has the guidance document on the Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine website which will expire June 30, 2023.

Mrs. Werner moved to go into Closed Meeting Session (closed session pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(a) to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential or to be kept confidential as a condition for that governmental body’s possession and 21.5(1)(d) to discuss the contents of a licensing examination or whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigations or proceedings if the governmental body is a licensing or examining board). Motion seconded by Dr. Sato.

Roll call vote by Board Members: Dr. Burkgren, aye; Dr. Sato, aye; Dr. Shuey, aye; Mrs. Werner, aye; Mr. Yoder, aye nay – 0. Motion passed at 10:40 a.m.

Open Meeting Session

The Board reconvened into the Open Meeting Session at 12:51 p.m.

Executive Secretary Report

Dr. Kaisand reported the Board’s financial balance is \$40,292.14 as of August 31, 2022.

Dr. Kaisand reported a written policy is in place regarding notifying the attorney of record once the Board has been informed by either the complainant or the licensee(s). The attorney of record for that individual will be copied on all documents from the time of notification to the end of the case.

Action on Closed Meeting Session Sanctions

Dr. Sato moved to close cases 22-018, 22-019, and 22-021. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Werner. Motion approved unanimously.

Continuing Education

The continuing education applications were reviewed by the Board Members for approval.

| Requester | Meeting | Scientific | Mgmt. | Total Hour |
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| Amy Tremain | Equine Strangles (11.10.2022 Ames, IA) | 1 | | 1 |

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| Amy Tremain | Reading basic bloodwork (10.25.2022 Ames, IA) | 1 | | 1 |
| Amy Tremain | Advancing Veterinary Technicians: Taking the fear out of anesthesia (10.15.2022 Ames, IA) | 5 | | 5 |
| Jennifer Mathis, DVM | CO2 Physiology, Capnography, and Ventilators (8.23.2022 Norwalk, IA) | 4 | | 4 |
| Michael Todd, DVM | The Role of NGF in OA pain Introducing Solensia - Back where I belong (10.4.2022 Mt. Pleasant, IA) | 1 | | 1 |
| Rachael Rail | Purdue Certificate for Diversity & Inclusion in Veterinary Medicine (Virtual 5.19.2021-4.21.2022) | | 11 | 11 |
| Amelia Dohlman | Arrhythmias and Anesthesia (9.12.2022 Ames, IA) | 1 | | 1 |
| Carrie Schwake | Difficult conversations (11.7.2022 Ames, IA) | | 2 | 2 |
| Stephen Poduska, DVM | Eastern Iowa Veterinary Association Fall Meeting (10.19-20.2022 Riverside, IA) | 12 | | 12 |
| Kapil Arora | Carcass Management School (10.4-6.2022 Ames, IA) | 13.25 | 8 | 21.25 |

Next Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting is Thursday, October 27, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room, Wallace State Office Building.

Adjournment

Mr. Yoder moved to adjourn the Board Meeting at 1:08 p.m. Motion seconded by Dr. Sato. Motion approved unanimously

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey J. Kaisand, DVM, Executive Secretary
Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine