

Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine
Hoover State Office Building
Borlaug Conference Room
Open Meeting Minutes
May 28, 2026

Dr. Yuko Sato, Temporary Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. with the following Board Members present: Dr. Scott Shuey, Dr. Andrew Hennenfent, and Sterling Meyer. Also present were Mr. Jake Larson, Assistant Attorney General, Dr. Jeff Kaisand, Executive Secretary, and Meghan Orr, Administrative Assistant.

Absent

Sierra Hagedon

Guest(s)

Lana Bishop RVT, VTS (Surgery), Central Iowa Veterinary Technicians Association (virtual)
Chris Gruenhagen, Iowa Farm Bureau
Dr. Randy Wheeler, Iowa Veterinary Medical Association (IVMA)

Approval of the Agenda

Ms. Meyer moved to approve the agenda for the May 28, 2026, Board Meeting. Motion was seconded by Dr. Shuey. None opposed. Motion approved unanimously.

Election of Board Chair

Dr. Shuey moved to nominate Dr. Yuko Sato as Chair for the Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine. Motion was seconded by Sterling Meyer. None opposed. Motion approved unanimously.

New Board Member Orientation

Mr. Larson provided a brief overview of the New Board Member Orientation to Dr. Hennenfent and as a refresher for the current Board Members.

Chris Gruenhagen inquired about contact information for the Board members given open record laws. Dr. Kaisand noted the Board now has its own domain and laptops for Board members.

Mr. Larson reminded the Board Members of their requirement to take the [Iowa Public Information Board Training for Newly Elected and Appointed Officials](#), which is to be completed within 90 days of 1. taking the initial oath of office; 2. assuming the responsibilities, if the member is not required to take an oath of office; or 3. after being elected to the office.

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

Dr. Wheeler noted that IVMA is hosting Rural Veterinary Roundtables with the Iowa State University College of Veterinary Medicine at three locations (Humbolt, Williamsburg, and Afton) this summer. The purpose is to hear directly from those working in and supporting rural veterinary medicine about how to work together to strengthen veterinary care in rural Iowa. The IVMA is also hosting a public event, Tour de Paws, to support the IVMA Foundation on June 13 (postponed to June 14), and a Zoo-nique CE Experience at the Blank Park Zoo on June 24.

Approval of the Open Meeting Minutes

Ms. Meyer moved to approve the Open Meeting Minutes of April 30, 2026, Board Meeting. Motion was seconded by Dr. Shuey. None opposed. Motion approved unanimously.

Financial Report

The Board's financial status as of April 30, 2026, is \$226,104.74.

Executive Secretary Report

Dr. Kaisand noted that the Program Planner II staff position which supports the Board is still vacant, but a replacement is actively being pursued.

Dr. Kaisand apologized for not being able to attend the last meeting, noting the recent case of Pseudorabies which was diagnosed in a swine herd in Iowa. The facility in Iowa had received swine from a herd in Texas that was housed outdoors with potential contact to feral swine. Dr. Kaisand provided an overview of the disease response and program, as the disease was eliminated from commercial swine in the United States in 2004 and was not considered a foreign animal disease response.

Chairperson Report

No report.

Assistant Attorney General Report

No report.

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 an update that the civil penalty rule was scheduled for publication and published a few days ago. The final rule will be in effect on July 1, 2026.

Ms. Meyer 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 the contents of a licensing examination or whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigation or proceedings. The motion was seconded by Dr. Shuey. Motion approved unanimously. Roll call vote by Board Members: Sterling Meyer, aye; Dr. Andrew Hennenfent, aye; Dr. Scott Shuey, aye; Dr. Yuko Sato, aye. nay – 0. Motion passed at 10:40 a.m.

Open Meeting Session

The Board reconvened the Open Meeting Session at 12:00 p.m.

Action on Closed Meeting Session Sanctions

Dr. Shuey moved to close cases 22-039, 25-022, 25-035, 26-003, 26-005, 26-007, 26-009, 26-010, 26-012, and 26-016. The motion was seconded by Ms. Meyer. None opposed. Motion approved unanimously.

Continuing Education

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

Requester	Meeting	Scientific	Mgmt.	Total Hrs.
James Bullock, DVM	Small Animal Ultrasonography (online self-educational series)	0 20 requested	0	0
		The Board noted the application was missing the bio and agenda with itemization of CEU.		
Chris Clark, DVM	Update for Veterinarians (6.24.2026 – Chariton, IA)	5.5	0	5.5
Stacie Matchan	Iowa Swine Day 2026 (6.25.2026 – Ames, IA)	3.75	5.5	9.25
Chris Rademacher, DVM	2026 ISU James D. McKean Swine Disease Conference (6.23-24.2026 – Ames, IA)	18 18.03 requested	0	18
		The Board noted approval for even number of CEU.		
Sara K. Shivapour, DVM	Principles of Surgery & Surgical Skills Laboratory (Fall 2025 - Spring 2026 – Ames, IA)	0 30 requested	0	0
		The Board concluded at this time instructors cannot receive CEU for teaching courses.		
Beatrice Sponseller	Topics in Equine Veterinary Medicine 2025 (1.23.2025 – Lexington, KY)	0 6 requested	0	0
		The Board requested additional information, including bio and itemized agenda.		
Beatrice Sponseller	Annual Tex Cauthen Veterinarian Research Seminar (1.19.2025, 1.18.2026 – Lexington, KY)	10.25 13 requested	0	10.25
		The Board noted CEU approval for hours of event content.		
Beatrice Sponseller	Department of Veterinary Science Seminar Series (2.27.2026 - 5.22.2025 – Lexington, KY)	8	0	8

Chelsea Underwood	BluePearl Des Moines Technician CE (5.2.2026 – Des Moines, IA)	4	0	4
Chelsea Underwood	Cedar Rapids Technician CE (6.3.2026 – Des Moines, IA)	2.5	0	2.5
Sarah Williamson	Teaching in the Trenches (1.19.2025, 1.18.2026 – Lexington, KY)	0 1 requested	0	1
		The Board noted content was approved for management CEU.		

Next Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting is Thursday, June 25, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. in the Borlaug Conference Room, Hoover State Office Building.

Adjournment

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 12:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey J. Kaisand, DVM