VETERINARY EXAMINING BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
October 26, 2016


STAFF: Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection (DATCP): Lauren Van Buren and Cheryl Daniels, DATCP Attorneys; Matt Tompach, Administrative Policy Advisory; Sally Ballweg, License/Permit Program Associate; Kelly Markor, Executive Staff Assistant. American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB): Jim Penrod, Executive Director.

CALL TO ORDER

Philip Johnson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:01 am. A quorum of six (6) members was confirmed (Lisa Weisensel Nesson arrived at 9:10 a.m.).

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Robert Forbes moved, seconded by Neil Wiseley, to approve the Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL THE MINUTES  
July 20, 2016 Meeting

MOTION: Dana Reimer moved, seconded by Robert Forbes, to approve the Minutes from the July 20, 2016, Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Mark Markel D.V.M., Dean of the University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine, discussed issues related to faculty veterinary licensure and expressed support for the continuing education provisions relating to veterinary licensure affirmed by the Board at the July meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

U.S. Department of Education (DoE) Accreditation Letter to States

Matt Tompach and Cheryl Daniels briefed the Board on a communication from the Wisconsin Educational Approval Board regarding the U.S. Department of Education (DoE) possibly withdrawing the authority of the agency that accredits certain private institutions, such as Globe University, which operate veterinary technician education programs in Wisconsin. IF DoE withdraws accreditation authority, an institution would have 18 months to gain accreditation from another recognized agency. Staff will continue to monitor this issue.
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF VETERINARY STATE BOARDS (AAVSB) MATTERS

Presentation by Jim Penrod, AAVSB Executive Director

Jim Penrod, Executive Director of the American Association of State Veterinary Boards (AAVSB), spoke about AAVSB services available at no extra charge to the VEB as a member board.

AAVSB Annual Meeting, September 22-24, 2016, Scottsdale, AZ

Philip Johnson, Robert Forbes, Neil Wiseley, and Matt Tompach briefed members about telemedicine, wellness, and other issues discussed at the AAVSB Annual Meeting in Scottsdale, AZ last month. All agreed it was a good meeting that was very beneficial to attend.

LEGISLATIVE / ADMINISTRATIVE RULE MATTERS

Rulemaking Update

VE 1 – Approval of Draft for Hearing

MOTION: Neil Wiseley moved, seconded by Lisa Weisensel Nesson, to approve the draft of the proposed rule relating to VE 1 for hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

VEB members also discussed issues related to holding a public hearing on the draft proposed rule.

October 14, 2016 Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association Convention Listening Session

Philip Johnson, Neil Wiseley, and Cheryl Daniels briefed VEB members on the Listening Session held on amending Wisconsin Administrative Code Chs. VE 1 – 10, which was very well-attended, during the Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association Convention last October 14.

VEB Rules Advisory Committee.

MOTION: Robert Forbes moved, seconded by Dana Reimer, to appoint a Rules Advisory Committee of the Board consisting of 11 voting members: five licensed veterinarians, two certified veterinary technicians, two public members, two members from parallel professions, and one non-voting Board Liaison. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Neil Wiseley moved, seconded by Lisa Weisensel Nesson, to have VEB members Philip Johnson, Robert Forbes, and Bruce Berth review the applicants for the Rule Advisory Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Robert Forbes moved, seconded by Bruce Berth, to limit the Rules Advisory Committee to the current scope statement on VE 7 and any rules promulgated thereunder. Motion carried unanimously.

UW Faculty Licensee CE Update – Memo/Certification Statement

Matt Tompach informed VEB members that staff has carried out the Board’s directive to inform faculty license holders that they remain subject to the continuing education requirements.

Professional Assistance Program (PAP) Update

Cheryl Daniels briefed VEB members on issues associated with establishing a Professional Assistance Program (PAP) for veterinary professionals.
LICENSING/EXAM INQUIRIES

Accreditation of Educational Programs by Board

MOTION: Dana Reimer moved, seconded by Bruce Berth, to approve the holding of a bachelor’s of science degree in an animal science field for taking the veterinary technician national examination (VTNE). Motion carried unanimously.

SCOPE OF PRACTICE

Vaccine Administration

VEB members discussed issues related to the administration of vaccines.

Veterinary Supervision

Dr. Marty Greer

VEB members discussed issues related to transcervical inseminations. Per 89.05 (2) (a) Wis Stats, transcervical insemination is not the practice of veterinary medicine and may be performed by a CVT.

VEB members discussed issues related to cystocentesis. Per VE 1.02(9), cystocentesis is not considered the practice of surgery and may be performed by a CVT.

Drs. Mike McQueen, Maya Meinhold

VEB members discussed issues related to the performance of animal chiropractic and veterinary supervision. Such treatments must be performed under the direct referral of a licensed veterinarian.

Jennie Roadt

VEB members discussed issues related to the performance of equine and canine massage therapies and veterinary supervision. Such treatments must be performed under the direct referral of a licensed veterinarian.

FUTURE MEETING DATES AND TIMES

Screening Committee

November 2, 2016
December 7, 2016
January 25, 2017

Veterinary Examining Board

January 25, 2017
April 26, 2017
July 26, 2017
October 25, 2017

VEB members recessed for lunch at 12:22 and reconvened at 12:50.
CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Robert Forbes moved seconded by Lisa Weisensel Nesson, to convene to closed session to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.); to consider licensure or certification of individuals (s. 19.85(1)(b), Stats.); to consider closing disciplinary investigations with administrative warnings (s. 19.85 (1)(b), and 440.205, Stats.); to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85 (1)(f), Stats.); and to confer with legal counsel (s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats.). Philip Johnson read the language of the motion. The vote of each member was ascertained by voice vote. Roll Call Vote: Bruce Berth-yes; Robert Forbes-yes; Philip Johnson-yes; Lisa Weisensel Nesson-yes; Dana Reimer-yes; Neil Wiseley-yes; Motion carried unanimously. The Board went into closed session at 12:55 p.m.

1. 07 VET 033 T.O.
2. 07 VET 041 A.D.
3. 13 VET 033 J.K.
4. 14 VET 038 R.M.
5. 15 VET 024 B.M.
6. 16 VET 006 H.W.
7. 16 VET 032 B.K.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Robert Forbes moved seconded by Reimer, to reconvene to open session. Motion carried unanimously. The Board reconvened at 1:38 pm.

MOTION: Neil Wiseley moved, seconded by Robert Forbes, to close VEB case number 16 vet 023 J.K. and 16 TECH 001 A.L. due to no violation. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Dana Reimer moved, seconded by Lisa Weisensel Nesson, to accept the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Respondent's VEB case number 07 VET 033 T.O., 07 VET 041 A.D., 13 VET 033 J.K., 14 VET 038 R.M., 15 VET 024 B.M., and 16 VET 006 H.W. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Neil Wiseley moved, seconded by Bruce Berth, to issue an Order for Summary Suspension on the basis that the respondent’s conduct poses an imminent danger to the public and to adopt the Order of Summary Suspension in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against VEB case number 16 VET 32, Brian Kersten. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Robert Forbes moved, seconded by Dana Reimer, to delegate ratification of examination results to DATCP staff and to ratify all licenses and certificates as issued. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Lisa Weisensel Nesson moved, seconded by Bruce Berth, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm.