

**South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation  
Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners  
Teleconference Committee Meeting Minutes  
March 4, 2022**

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

W. Marshall Liger, LVT - Chair  
Elizabeth Fuller, DVM  
Tracie Quick, DVM  
Bethany Tapp, DVM  
Scott Bryant, DVM  
Melissa Entrekin, LVT  
Denise Wilkinson, PawMetto Lifeline  
Michelle McConnell, LVT  
Ginger Macaulay, DVM  
Rob Presley, DVM  
Boyd Parr, DVM  
Nikki Milligan, DVM  
Zohra Badat, LVT  
Adrienne Kruzer, LVT

**SCLLR STAFF PRESENT:**

Hardwick Stuart, Office of Advice Counsel  
Meredith Buttler, Administrator  
Jacquelyn White, Program Coordinator

**PRESENT:**

Christine Cortright, Court Reporter  
Marie Queen, SC Association of Veterinarians

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Liger called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion:** To approve the agenda.  
Entrekin/Tapp/Approved.

**INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

The committee and LLR staff members introduced themselves.

## **REGULATION 120-1 AND 120-9**

Mr. Liger began committee addressing the items held over from the previous committee meeting: revision of definitions in 120-1 and 120-9(A)(3)(d).

**Motion:** To remove the proposed definition of “radiography” and replace with definition for “imaging”.  
Parr/Entrekin/Approved.

**Motion:** To change “emergency patient” to “emergency animal patient” in the proposed definition.  
Entrekin/Fuller/Approved.

**Motion:** In Regulation 120-9(A)(3)(d), replace “radiography” with “imaging”.  
Parr/Entrekin/Approved.

**Motion:** proposed Regulation 120-9(A)(3)(o), to leave as is.  
Entrekin/Fuller/Approved.

**Motion:** proposed Regulation 120-9(A)(3)(p), to leave as is.  
Entrekin/Macaulay/Approved.

**Motion:** proposed Regulation 120-9(A)(3)(q), to leave as is.  
Entrekin/Macaulay/Approved.

**Motion:** proposed Regulation 120-9(A)(3)(r), to leave as is.  
Fuller/Entrekin/Approved.

**Motion:** proposed Regulation 120-9(A)(3)(s), to leave as is.  
Entrekin/Macaulay/Approved.

**Motion:** proposed Regulation 120-9(A)(3)(t), to leave as is.  
Fuller/Macaulay/Approved.

**Motion:** proposed Regulation 120-9(A)(4), to leave as is.  
Fuller/Entrekin/Approved.

For proposed Regulations 120-9(5), Ms. Entrekin proposed changing to the AAVSB model’s regulations for Emergency Animal Patient Care. To assist the committee with understanding the proposed regulations, Dr. Quick stated the original verbiage had been developed to empower the licensed veterinary technicians to be able to do more in emergency situations. Additionally, Dr. Quick noted most the specific tasks listed in the AAVSB model have already been addressed in the proposed regulations above and the language regarding ‘communication’ would need to be revised to match the Board’s supervision definitions. Dr. Fuller expressed concern regarding the AAVSBs inclusion of euthanasia in the allowable tasks. Ms. Entrekin withdrew the proposed revision.

**Motion:** proposed Regulation 120-9(A)(5), to leave as is.  
Entrekin/Kruzer/Approved.

For proposed Regulation 120-9(6), Ms. Entrekin suggested amending the regulation to acknowledge licensed veterinary technicians and veterinary technician specialist (LVS). Ms. Entrekin, Ms. Kruzer and Mr. Liger provided the committee with additional information regarding LVS credentialing. Ms. Buttler and Mr. Stuart will review the Board's statutes to see if LVS can be an acknowledge sublicense and gain further understanding of how other states are handling licensures/recognition.

**Motion:** proposed Regulation 120-9(A)(6), to leave as is.  
Entrekin/Kruzer/Approved.

Mr. Liger began discussion of Regulations 120-9(B) to determine its relevance as a standalone regulation section or if the committee needed to look at revising its placement. Dr. Parr stated the section is relevant and needed but is misplaced in the Regulation. He suggested the entire section addressing unlicensed veterinary aides be moved under Regulations 120-8 as supervision on unlicensed individuals is a duty of the licensed veterinarian. Dr. Quick and Ms. Entrekin agreed with Dr. Parrs suggestions and suggested the committee needed to review further the wording addressing 'training' of the unlicensed aide. Discussion ensued regarding the Board's ability to require documentation of training completed by the aides and if the Board would be able to develop a training record sheet for guidance to the licensed veterinarians. Ms. Buttler and Mr. Stuart will review the ability of the Board to produce such a document and review other board regulations to assist with the verbiage introducing the delegated tasks to an unlicensed aid allowed by a licensed veterinarian. Dr. Quick suggested SCAV partner with the Board on the development of training guideline documents.

**Motion:** To move Regulations 120-9(B) to 120-8.  
Kruzer/Entrekin/Approved.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

## **NEXT MEETING**

Ms. Buttler will schedule the next South Carolina Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners Committee Meeting following conclusion of the requested additional research. Committee members and the public will be notified in accordance with SC Freedom of Information Act, Section 30-4-80.

## **Adjournment**

**Motion:** To adjourn.  
Bryant/Macaulay/Approved.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 3:03 p.m.