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Minutes of the South Carolina Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners
Business Meeting, Applications Hearing and Disciplinary Matters
August 10, 2017
Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, Room 105
110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Board Members:

Katherine Ann George, D.V.M, Chairperson
Ginger D. Macaulay, D.V.M, Vice Chairperson
Brent R. Goodson, D.V.M., Secretary
Rebecca M. Hughes, D.V.M
Elizabeth L. Fuller, D.V.M.
W. Marshall, Liger, III, LV.T.
Gretchen Love, D.V.M
Janet Irene McKim, D.V.M.
Bethany M. Tapp, D.V.M.
Rebecca Shealy, Consumer Board member

Staff and others present were:

Rita Melton, DMD, BSN, RN, LLR Administrator
Erin G. Baldwin, LLR Litigation Attorney, Office of Disciplinary Counsel
Kathryn Linder, Court Reporter
Hardwick Stuart, Jr., LLR Advice Attorney
Robert Neadle, LLR, Admin. Assistant
Mark Sanders, LLR, OIE Chief Investigator
Mildred Tanner, LLR, Investigator III
PC Faglie, Investigator IV

CALL TO ORDER:

Public Notice of this meeting was properly posted at the office of the South Carolina Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive in Columbia, SC and provided to any requesting persons, organizations, or news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the 1976 South Carolina Code, as amended, relating to the Freedom of Information Act. A quorum is noted as present/not present. All votes referenced herein were unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

Approval of Excused Absences

None

Approval of Agenda:

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. George to approve the Agenda. Dr. Macaulay seconded the Motion. The motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Macaulay to accept the May 11, 2017 minutes printed. Dr. Fuller seconded the motion. The motion carried

Board Presentation to Dr. Rebecca Hughes

The Board presented Dr. Hughes with a plaque for her service on the Board. She has Represented Congressional District six (6) from 2012-2017.

AAVSB Presentation to the Board

Representatives of the AAVSB provide a presentation the comprehensive improvements in their system to make licensure reviews more efficient.

IRC Report:

The Investigative Review Committee Report (IRC) was provided by Mark Sanders Chief Investigator

OIE and OGC Management Reports was provided by Erin Baldwin ODC Attorney

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Macaulay to accept (2) Dismissals, 2017-17 and 2017-18. Mr. Liger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Macaulay to accept (4) dismissals 2016-28, 2017-4, 2017-15 and 2017-20. Ms. Shealy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OIE and ODC Management Reports:

The OIE and ODC Management Reports were given for OIE and ODC by Mr. Mark Sanders and Ms. Baldwin respectively.

The reports were accepted as information by the Board.

APPLICATION HEARING:

Irene Bennet

An application hearing was held for Irene Bennet. Mr. Stuart advised the Board. Mrs. Bennet was present.

A court reporter was present. A quorum was noted as present. The hearing commenced.

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Goodson to go into Executive Session for legal advice. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fuller. The motion carried.

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Macaulay to come out of Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Ms. Shealy. The motion carried.

Motion: A motion was made by Mr. Liger to deny Mrs. Bennet to be granted a Veterinary Technician License. The motion was seconded by Dr. Macaulay. The motion carried.

Approval of MOAs and Consent Agreement

2016-9

A hearing was held for the Respondent. Mr. Stuart advised the Board. The State was represented by Erin Baldwin, JD. The Respondent was present and was represented by Suzanne Hawkins. A court reporter was present. Dr. Goodson recused himself from the hearing. The closed hearing commenced.

Motion: A motion was made by Mr. Liger to go into executive session for legal advice. The motion was seconded by Dr. Macaulay. The motion carried

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Macaulay to come out of executive session for legal advice. The motion was seconded by Dr. Tapp. The motion carried

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Love to accept the MOA with a fine of \$200 plus Investigative cost. Ms. Shealy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2015-72; 2015-70; 2015-73

A hearing was held for the Respondent. Mr. Stuart advised the Board. The State was represented by Erin Baldwin, JD. The Respondents was present and was represented by Mr. William H. Foster, JD and Kevin Little, JD. A court reporter was present. The closed hearing commenced.

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Macaulay to go into executive session. The motion was seconded by Dr. Shealy. The motion carried.

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Macaulay to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fuller. The motion carried.

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Tapp to give the respondents a letter of caution. The motion was seconded by Dr. Love. The motion carried.

2015-71

A hearing was held for the Respondent. Mr. Stuart advised the Board. The State was represented by Erin Baldwin, JD.

A court reporter was present.

The Respondent agreed to a Consent Agreement. The respondent will pay a fine of \$1,000.00 and plus investigative cost.

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Macaulay to accept the consent agreement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Liger. The motion carried.

2014-21

The consent agreement was reviewed by the board Dr. Macaulay moved to accept the consent agreement and Dr. Love seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

Discussion of Animal Shelter Legislation

There was a discussion on the oversight of veterinary practices within shelters. Further discussion continued on the duties of the Board as it relates to the shelters.

Old Business

None

New Business

Study committee to review Animal Shelter Regulation Implementation

The Board approved the development of a Study Committee to review Animal Shelter Legislation. Dr. Macaulay made a motion to approve Dr. Elizabeth Fuller, Dr. Irene Mckim, Dr. Terry Eades, Mrs. Michelle Simmons, Mrs. Abigail Kamleiter, and Mrs. Rebecca Shealy to be on the short term committee. Dr. Love second the motion. The motion carried.

Approval of policy change

A policy change was presented to the Board relating to prescription writing and what needs to be given to patient's if they ask for a prescription.

Dr. Macaulay made a motion that the notification (E-Blast) will be sent to notify Veterinarians regarding a change to the AVMA Code of Ethics that there is a change to the regulation regarding writing prescriptions for clients and, Dr. Goodson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Discussion on new PMP information

Hardwick Stuart, Advice Counsel addressed the Board in reviewing of writing prescriptions that requires registration and monitoring by DHEC. The Board received this as information

Regulatory Review

The Board reviewed regulation and discussed amending specific regulations.

A Motion was made by Dr. Macaulay to amend 120-11C and 120-1c. Dr. Love seconded the motion. The motion was carried

Approval of 2018 Vet Board Meetings dates

A motion was made by Dr. Fuller to approve board meeting dates February 8, May 17, August 9, and November 8, 2018. Ms. Shealy seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

Approval of Vet Board members to attend the AAVSB Conference September 14-16 2017

A Motion was made by Dr. Love to send Dr. Brent Goodson Dr. Bethany Tapp and Dr. Rita Melton to this conference. Ms. Shealy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Legal Comments

None

Public Comments

None

Announcements

Next Board Meeting is November 9, 2017

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Love to adjourn the meeting at 4:37 PM. The motion was seconded by Dr. Fuller. The motion carried.

Submitted by,

Robert Neadle
Administrative Assistant