

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS
MEETING MINUTES
July 27, 2017**

A meeting of the Kentucky Board of Veterinary Examiners was held at the Department of Professional Licensing located at 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort, KY 40601 on July 27, 2017.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Perry Wornall, D.V.M., Chair
Dale Eckert, D.V.M.
Amanda Rowland, D.V.M.
Shelley Ryan, PT
Amy Staton, VT
Robert Stout, D.V.M.
Craig Van Balen, D.V.M.
Steven Wills, D.V.M.

DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING

Lucie Duvall, Board Administrator
Vickie Logan, Administrative Specialist

OTHERS

Marcus Jones, Office of the Attorney General
Louise Cook, KVMA Executive Director
Loran Wagoner, D.V.M. Board Investigator
Joe Bilby, KDA General Counsel

MEMBERS ABSENT

Eric Peterson, D.V.M. Vice Chair
Gene Smith, D.V.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Perry Wornall, D.V.M., Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:11 p.m.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Craig Van Balen, D.V.M. to approve the minutes of the May 25, 2017 meeting. Motion, seconded by Steven Wills, D.V.M., carried.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial statement for the month ending June 30, 2017 was presented to the Board for review. A motion was made by Dale Eckert, D.V.M. to approve the financial statement as presented. Motion, seconded by Amanda Rowland, D.V.M., carried.

REPORT FROM DPL

The Board reviewed correspondence regarding mobile e-signatures for government. The Board was informed the Department of Professional Licensing continues to explore future technologies to meet the needs to of Kentucky's licensees which includes allowing for e-signatures on applications. No further action was required.

LICENSURE STATUS REPORT

A Licensure Status Report dated July 25, 2017 was presented to the Board for review. The report showed there are currently 2,404 active licensed veterinarians along with 362 active licensed veterinarian technicians. The report also indicated 57 licensed animal control shelters and 176 licensed euthanasia specialists. No further action was required.

A motion was made by Shelley Ryan to ratify approved Veterinarian, Veterinarian Technician, and Euthanasia Specialist licenses issued from May 25, 2017 to July 25, 2017 by the applications committee. Motion, seconded by Robert Stout, D.V.M., carried.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board reviewed correspondence from Jung-Won Choi, D.V.M. regarding owner exemptions in the Kentucky Veterinary Practice Act. After review and discussion, the Board requested legal counsel to submit an opinion from the Board in response. No further action was required.

The Board reviewed correspondence from Brittany Bible regarding telemedicine. After review and discussion, the Board requested legal counsel to send a response. No further action required.

The Board reviewed correspondence regarding responsibilities of veterinary assistants. After review and discussion, the Board requested legal counsel to draft an advisory letter in response and send the Board's statues regarding the matter. No further action was required.

Dr. Wills briefly discussed the need to address concerns of clients dealing with a loss of a pet and how veterinarians should handle euthanasia. Dr. Wills suggested posting information on the Board's website or placing an article in KVMA's newsletter with information about licensees being caring and sensitive to the emotional needs of clients. No further action was required.

SALES REPORT

Loran Wagoner, D.V.M., Board Investigator reported on the Fasig-Tipton July sale report. No further action was required.

ANIMAL SHELTER REPORTS

Dr. Wagoner presented animal shelter inspection reports to the Board for Boone, Boyd, Bracken, Breckinridge, Bullitt, Butler, Campbell, Gallatin, Greenup, Hardin, Kenton, Kentucky Humane Society, Lawrence, Leitchfield, Lewis, Louisville-Metro Animal Services, Meade, McCracken, Montgomery, Nelson, Northern Kentucky, Oldham, and Rowan County. No further action was required.

APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Ms. Ryan reported on the applications reviewed by the applications committee. A motion was made by Dr. Eckert to approve the recommendations of the applications committee. Motion seconded by Amy Staton, VT, carried. The following continuing education courses were approved:

- Canine Influenza
- Rehabilitation for the Canine Athlete
- Canine Influenza Update Summit
- Canine Hyperthyroidism
- Transmission of Tick Born Diseases
- Bandaging Techniques for Veterinary Technicians
- Three Ticks Impact Pets in the Midwest: An Update
- Grow Your Business by Increasing Compliance
- Classes on the Cumberland
- Emerald Coast Veterinary Conference
- Veterinarian Training Program
- Veterinary Open Panel: Concerns & Challenges from the 2017 Breeding and Foaling Seasons and Other Topics Concerning the Remainder of 2017
- CPR-A Near Breath Experience
- The Lincoln Memorial University Cumberland Gap Veterinary Conference

LEGAL COUNSEL

Marcus Jones, Board Attorney reported on the reorganization of state licensing Boards and the Attorney General's previous withdraw of services from the Board. The Attorney General's Office would now like to continue services with the Board since the reorganization has been placed on hold. Mr. Jones presented the Board with a Memorandum of Agreement between the Attorney General's Office and the Kentucky Board of Veterinary Examiners. The Board reviewed and discussed the MOA. No further action was required.

Mr. Jones presented the Board with a question whether a veterinarian was required to use child proof containers. There was a question whether it was a state or federal law and if there was a liability issue. The Board informed Mr. Jones to check with the Pharmacy Board to see if they had a similar law.

Mr. Jones presented the Board with a question regarding vet records and whether or not they excluded x-rays when supplying clients with their records.

Mr. Jones presented one last question to the Board regarding whether a veterinarian could call themselves a veterinarian chiropractor or not.

Mr. Jones presented the Board with two (2) settlement agreements regarding agency case 2014-41 and 2017-07.

A motion was made by Dr. Van Balen to approve both settlement agreements and sending legal responses for the three (3) questions received by legal counsel. Motion, seconded by Dr. Eckert, carried.

COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE

2015-30	Ongoing
2016-24	The Board reviewed the complaint, response and investigative report. After review and discussion, the complaint committee made a recommendation to dismiss.
2017-06	Ongoing
2017-09	The Board reviewed the complaint and response. After review and discussion, the complaint committee made a recommendation to investigate.
2017-10	The Board reviewed the complaint and response. After review and discussion, the complaint committee made a recommendation to dismiss.
2017-11	The Board reviewed the complaint and response. After review and discussion, the complaint committee made a recommendation to dismiss.
2017-12	The Board reviewed the complaint and response. After review and discussion, the complaint committee made a recommendation to investigate.
2017-14	The Board reviewed the complaint and response. After review and discussion, the complaint committee made a recommendation to dismiss.

2017-15 The Board reviewed the complaint. After review and discussion, the complaint committee made refer to the Wellness Committee.

PENDING COMPLAINTS

2016-10 Ongoing

2016-14 The Board reviewed the complaint. After review and discussion, the complaint committee made a recommendation to dismiss.

2017-02 Ongoing-Pending settlement agreement

A motion was made by Dr. Stout to approve the recommendations of the complaint committee. Motion, seconded by Dr. Rowland, carried.

TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

Dr. Van Balen made a motion to approve the travel and per diem for members attending today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Dr. Eckert, carried.

ADJOURN

Dr. Eckert made a motion to adjourn at 2:25 p.m., having no further items of discussion. The motion, seconded by Dr. Wills, carried.



Dr. Perry Wornall, Chair