

# BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

**JULY 20, 2023**

**9:30AM - 10:30AM**

**OPEN SESSION**

**MEETING AGENDA**

## HYBRID MEETING NOTICE

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Board will have a hybrid schedule of in-person and virtual meetings. In-person meetings will resume in FY 2023, meeting dates can be found on the Board's webpage.

In-person meetings will be at 899 North Capitol Street, NE, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Washington, DC 20002.

Information on how to access the public portion of the meeting virtually is listed below:

**This meeting is available by web:**

<https://dcnet.webex.com/dcnet/j.php?MTID=meaac4d7d4904dd32c60e11d87ee69c30>

**This meeting is available by phone:**

Call in Number:

+1-202-860-2110 United States Toll (Washington D.C.)

1-650-479-3208 Call-in toll number (US/Canada)

**BOARD MEMBERSHIP / ATTENDANCE:**

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

	DANIEL TEICH, DVM — CHAIRPERSON	
	SOPHIE KINDBERG-HANLON, BVetMed PGCertSAS MRCVS – BOARD MEMBER	
	LAUREN STUMP, DVM – BOARD MEMBER	
	AMY HAYWOOD, LVT – VETERINARY TECHNICIAN BOARD MEMBER	
	BLAIR ZERVOS – CONSUMER MEMBER	

**STAFF MEMBERSHIP / ATTENDANCE:**

**STAFF MEMBERS:**

	KEITH FLETCHER – INTERIM DIRECTOR	
	ARIAN R. GIBSON, M.S. – SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR	
	AISHA NIXON, MPT, CPM — ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR	
	VITO DELVENTO, DVM, MS – EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	
	JOY MCFARLANE-MILLS, BS, CPM, ILAM – SUPERVISORY BIOLOGIST	
	KUNTUMIE HOLSTON, PUBLIC HEALTH ANALYST	
	EMILIA MORAN, INVESTIGATOR	
	MATTEO LIEB, LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS SPECIALIST	
	SAHAR MAJID, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	

**LEGAL STAFF / ATTENDANCE:**

**LEGAL STAFF MEMBERS:**

	ED RICH, ESQ, BOARD ATTORNEY	
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**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

OS-0720-01	<p><b><u>INTRODUCTIONS</u></b></p> <p>A. CALL TO ORDER B. PRESIDING C. BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT D. QUORUM E. STAFF PRESENT F. PUBLIC ATTENDANCE</p>
OS-0720-02	<p><b>Board Action:</b></p> <p>Acceptance of the July 20, 2023 Open Session agenda.</p>

**MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS**

OS-0720-03	<p><b><u>APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES:</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b></p> <p>Consideration of the Open Session minutes from May 18, 2023 meeting.</p>	
OS-0720-04	<p><b><u>OPEN SESSION CONSENT AGENDA:</u></b></p>	

OS-0720-05	<p><b><u>SENIOR DEPUTY REPORT:</u></b></p>	
OS-0720-06	<p><b><u>ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</u></b></p>	
OS-0720-07	<p><b><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u></b></p> <p><i>Census</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Active Licenses: 490</li> <li>• Expired Licenses: 540</li> <li>• Approved Renewal Applications: 309</li> <li>• New Applications Under Review: 10</li> <li>• Renewal Applications Under Review: 0</li> </ul>	
OS-0720-08	<p><b><u>ANIMAL SERVICES PROGRAM REPORT (ASP)</u></b></p> <p><b>ONLINE DOG LICENSING APPLICATIONS</b></p> <p>DC Health, Health Regulation and Licensing Administration (HRLA) is excited to announce the opening of our new online dog licensing system. All dog owners in the District are required to submit their dog registration or renewal applications by going to the below link and submitting an online application.</p> <p><a href="https://dchealth.force.com/animalservices/s/login/?ec=302&amp;startURL=%2Fanimalservices%2Fs%2F">https://dchealth.force.com/animalservices/s/login/?ec=302&amp;startURL=%2Fanimalservices%2Fs%2F</a></p>	

	<p><b>Smokey Bear in D.C.</b></p> <p>On June 9, 2023, a black bear was sighted in a tree in the Brandywine neighborhood. The bear posed no danger to District residents or visitors. Animal Control reached the scene and contacted MPD. The area was roped off so that onlookers could not create a dangerous scenario with the animal. He was being successfully tranquilized the same day and sent to Maryland where he was released.</p>	
OS-0720-09	<b><u>BOARD CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT</u></b>	
OS-0720-10	<b><u>BOARD COUNSELOR’S REPORT</u></b>	
OS-0720-11	<b><u>COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u></b>	
OS-0720-12	<p><b><u>HOUSEKEEPING</u></b></p> <p><b>Future Board meeting dates:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• August (Recess)</li> <li>• September 21, 2023</li> <li>• October 19, 2023 (In-Person)</li> <li>• November 16, 2023</li> <li>• December 21, 2023</li> </ul>	

OS-0720-13	<p><b><u>INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR VETERINARY ASSESSMENT (ICVA) UPDATES - FYI</u></b></p> <p><b>ICVA Welcomes New Board Member</b></p> <p>ICVA is thrilled to welcome Johanna “Joie” Watson, DVM, Ph.D., as the new member of Board of Directors, designated by the AVMA Council on Education.</p> <p><b>NAVLE testing window</b></p> <p>The North American Veterinary Licensing Examination will be administered during the following testing windows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• November 1 - December 16, 2023</li> <li>• April 1 - April 26, 2024</li> </ul> <p>All application materials must be received by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• August 1 for November–December</li> <li>• February 1 for April</li> </ul>
OS-0720-14	<p><b><u>AAVSB UPDATES – FYI</u></b></p> <p><b>Watchdog Tracking Report</b></p> <p>AAVSB’s Watchdog released its monthly report for the month of January 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">May 2023 Conventional Report</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">May 2023 Updates by Jurisdiction Report View</a></li> <li>• May 2023 Activity at a Glance (Attached with this agenda)</li> <li>• <a href="#">June 2023 Conventional Report</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">June 2023 Updates by Jurisdiction Report View</a></li> <li>• June 2023 Activity at a Glance (Attached with this agenda)</li> </ul>

*Watchdog is your resource center for:*

- Legislative and regulatory activity reports
- Board updates
- VMA updates
- Map view of Legislative Sessions
- Conveniently linked news coverage of recent legislative activity and issues affecting the veterinary regulatory community.

The AAVSB is thrilled to bring you this new member service in support of its mission to support and advance the regulatory process for veterinary medicine. As this online resource center expands, Member Boards will gain a powerful research tool and increase their usability of key legislative advancements.

### **The AAVSB Annual Meeting and Conference**

September 28 - 30, 2023 in Kansas City, MO

Registration is Open!

Check out the [AAVSB Meeting and Conference Site](#) for all the details and to register!

Early Bird Rates end July 28, 2023

Use Code: 2023EARLYBIRD

### **Mid-June updates**

**Race Standards:** New standards have been recommended by the RACE Committee and approved by the AAVSB Board of Directors. The standards will be effective and available on the AAVSB website on July 1, 2023, for all programs, both new and renewals. A Town Hall for RACE Providers will be held on June 21 to help answer any questions regarding the revised standards.

**AVMA:** The VAULT team and executive staff will be at the AVMA conference this July in Denver Colorado between July 14 and July 18, 2023.

**AVTE Convention** at the Westin Rancho Mirage in California between August 4 and August 6, 2023

**Quebec applies to AAVSB:** The Quebec Board of Veterinary Medicine has formally applied to the AAVSB to become a Member Board and meets the requirements of the AAVSB Bylaws' definition of a Member Board.

**AAVSB Veterinary Team Task Expansion Study:** The AAVSB is undertaking a survey developed by a task force composed of stakeholders from the veterinary community. The survey seeks to identify potential opportunities to address the veterinary workforce shortage through expansion of task delegation within veterinary practice.

**Bylaw Amendments:** During the AAVSB's Business Session for the upcoming 2023 Annual Meeting & Conference, the Delegate Assembly will vote on proposed Bylaws amendments.

**Carol Sparrow retires from AAVSB:** After an impressive tenure of over 9 years as Exams Manager, Carol Sparrow retires from AAVSB.

#### **Join the AAVSB!**

The AAVSB is on the lookout for individuals from their Member Boards to join committees and task forces. Right now, they have some open positions:

- PAVE for Veterinarians Committee
- Conference Committee
- Leadership Development Task Force



If you are interested in being a volunteer, simply fill out this [online volunteer form](#).

If you would like to learn more about becoming a volunteer, visit [www.aavsb.org/volunteer](http://www.aavsb.org/volunteer) or email [volunteer@aavsb.org](mailto:volunteer@aavsb.org)

### **Practice Act Model Updates**

During the 2023 AAVSB Annual Meeting & Conference, Delegates will be asked to vote on the updated AAVSB [Practice Act Model \(PAM\)](#) to reaffirm the document as a Member Board resource available in response to or as a stimulus of statutory and regulatory updates.

### **AAVSB Survey to Veterinary Professionals**

For the last 18 months, the AAVSB has collaborated with a range of experts, including regulators, professional veterinary and veterinary technician associations, academics, private practice representatives, state governments, and psychometricians. Together, they have developed a comprehensive survey to assess tasks within the veterinary team and the potential and interest for delegation of those tasks. **This survey** will be distributed to a portion of veterinarians and credentialed veterinary technicians throughout North America.

### **Mid-July updates**

#### **VTNE Townhall: July 27, 2023 1pm US Central Time, Via Zoom**

The AAVSB's VTNE Content Outline has been updated and will go into effect on August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

OS-0720-15	<p><b><u>LEGISLATIVE/REGULATIONS</u></b>  <b><u>PDMP</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Veterinarian, Veterinarian Technician, Veterinarian Euthanasia Technician Regulations</u></b></p> <p>The new Veterinary Technician and Euthanasia Technicians regulations became effective Friday, August 6, 2021. At this time, the DC Department of Health will not be issuing registrations until the process is in place.</p> <p>The Department of Health is currently creating the platform by which individuals can submit an application for registration as either a Veterinary Technician or a Veterinary Euthanasia Technician. Once the platform is available, there will be a grace period for which individuals will need to come into full compliance.</p>	
OS-0720-16	<p><b><u>LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS</u></b></p> <p><a href="https://dccouncil.us/events/list/">https://dccouncil.us/events/list/</a></p>	

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

OS-0720-17	<p><b><u>MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION</u></b></p>	
OS-0720-18	<p><b><u>FINAL COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u></b></p>	

OS-0720-19	<b><u>READING OF OPEN SESSION MOTIONS</u></b>
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<b>CLOSING</b>	
OS-0720-20	<b><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></b>  <b>Board Action:</b> To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).  <b>Background:</b> This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Executive Section, which is closed to the public, to seek the advice of counsel to the board, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(4); to administer licensing of health professionals governed by the Board, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(6); to discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(9); administration of licensing pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(6); discuss ongoing or planned investigations pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(14). This meeting is governed by the Open Meetings Act. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at <a href="mailto:opengovoffice@dc.gov">opengovoffice@dc.gov</a>

OS-0720-21	<p><b><u>MOTION TO ADJOURN</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> To adjourn the meeting.</p> <p><b>Background:</b> At the end of every meeting, a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board.</p>	
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This ends the Open Session Agenda, next meeting is scheduled for **September 21, 2023**

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# May 2023 Activity at a Glance

## **Bills**

Passed: 13

Introduced: 8

Dead: 26

## ***Rules and Regulations Activity***

### Adopted Rules

#### Florida

- [61G18-12.009](#): Renewal Fee for Inactive Status License.
- [61G18-18.001](#): The Board proposes a rule amendment that updates the requirements of the retention periods for medical records of deceased veterinarians.
- [61G18-18.0015](#): The Board proposes a rule amendment that updates the requirements regarding the retention timeframes for the availability of medical records to clients from a licensed veterinarian or entity who terminates or relocates practices practice.

#### Washington

- [CR 103 WSR 23-11-002](#): Authorize animal care and control agencies and nonprofit humane societies to provide full veterinary service to low-income households

## **Board Watch**

- DE, LA, MT, OR, NH, NC, Ont., UH

## **State VMA Updates**

- AR, CO, IL, MD

## **Pharmacy Updates**

- No Updates at this time.

# June 2023 Activity at a Glance

## **Bills**

Passed: 39

Introduced: 4

Dead: 6

## ***Rules and Regulations Activity***

### Adopted Rules

Arizona

- [Department of Agriculture](#) - Animal Services Division

Federal

- Rules Reinstated after COVID changes - The Veterinary Board of Governors is rescinding policy statement [VBOG 20-02](#) Veterinary-Client-Patient Relationship Requirements During the COVID-19 Response, filed on May 18, 2020, as [WSR 20-11-049](#).

## **Board Watch**

- AK, B.C., CA, IA, LA, NH, WA

## **State VMA Updates**

- PA

## **Pharmacy Updates**

- WA