

BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

FEBRUARY 18, 2021

9:30AM - 10:30AM

OPEN SESSION

MEETING MINUTES

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BOARD MEMBERSHIP / ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:

	VACANT - CHAIRPERSON	
	DANIEL TEICH, DVM – BOARD MEMBER	P
	LAUREN STUMP, DVM – BOARD MEMBER	P
	AMY HAYWOOD, LVT – VETERINARY TECHNICIAN BOARD MEMBER	P
	BLAIR ZERVOS – CONSUMER MEMBER	P

STAFF MEMBERSHIP / ATTENDANCE:

STAFF MEMBERS:

	SHARON LEWIS, DHA-RN-BC, CPM – SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR	EA
	FRANK MEYERS, JD – ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR	EA
	VITO DELVENTO, DVM, MS – EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	P
	EMILIA MORGAN, INVESTIGATOR	P
	ERIC CURRY, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	P
	DIANE MOORER, IT SPECIALIST	P

LEGAL STAFF / ATTENDANCE:

LEGAL STAFF MEMBERS:

	ED RICH, ESQ, BOARD ATTORNEY	P
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OPEN SESSION AGENDA FEBRUARY 18, 2021

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

OS-0218-01	<p><u>INTRODUCTIONS</u></p> <p>A. CALL TO ORDER – 9:33am B. PRESIDING - Dr. Dan Teich, DVM – Board Member (Serving as Chairperson) C. BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT - Yes D. QUORUM - Yes E. STAFF PRESENT -- All Except Sharon Lewis and Frank Myers (Excused Absence) F. PUBLIC ATTENDANCE – Emily Hovermale (HRA), Norris Bowapinia</p>
OS-0218-02	<p>Board Action: Acceptance of the February 18, 2021 Open Session agenda.</p> <p>Motion: Members move to approve the Open Session meeting agenda for February 18,2020.</p> <p>Moved By: Amy Haywood, LVT-Board Member</p> <p>Seconded By: Blair Zervos, - Consumer Member</p> <p>Motion Carried</p>

MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS

OS-0218-03	<p><u>APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES:</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the December 17, 2020 meeting.</p> <p>Motion: Members move to approve the Open Session meeting minutes for December 17,2020</p> <p>Moved By: Amy Haywood, LVT-Board Member</p> <p>Seconded By: Lauren Stump, DVM - Board Member</p> <p>Motion Carried</p>
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OS-0218-04	<u>OPEN SESSION CONSENT AGENDA:</u>	
OS-0218-05	<u>SENIOR DEPUTY REPORT:</u>	
OS-0218-06	<u>ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</u>	
OS-0218-07	<p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u></p> <p>Dr. DelVento expressed that The Board has oversight of 329 veterinary licensees. In addition, The Department of Health is currently preparing for the oversight hearing that will occur in March. That hearing is where the department undergoes oversight hearings with the DC Council and our Director Dr. Nesbitt testifies before the council in response to activities relating to the previous physical year.</p> <p>Also following the oversight hearing is the budget hearing, that is approaching in April. This hearing is always interesting because we get to specify where monies will be allocated to various programs throughout the district. With animal services being one of those programs we like to pay direct attention to that.</p>	
OS-0218-08	<p><u>ANIMAL SERVICES PROGRAM REPORT (ASP)</u></p> <p>Dr. DelVento expressed that we have wrapped up data for the 2020 calendar year specifically related to some of the surveillance programs. The rabies program continues throughout the year and is currently being executed. We are currently planning for the upcoming 2021 arbovirus surveillance season. That typically starts in May and we are currently in the planning phases.</p> <p>The larger event we had was in January, which was the inauguration, that was conducted in a virtual space. There were some objectives that needed to have executed one specifically was bio surveillance that surrounded inaugural events and that was limited to one, week prior and one week post of the event.</p>	
OS-0218-09	<p><u>BOARD CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT</u></p> <p>Dr. Dan Teich, DVM has no formal report but wants everyone to be vigilant in their practice with everything going on in the COVID-19 pandemic. He also wants to be sure that the veterinarians are taking care of their current employees and clients during these trying times.</p>	

OS-0218-10	<p><u>BOARD COUNSELOR'S REPORT</u></p> <p>Ed Rich is happy to report that he had a discussion with the attorney general concerning the vet euthanasia tech regulations and there has been an agreement reached on those. We currently have sign off for legal sufficiency on that set of regulations. Next these will be forwarded to the Mayors Office of Policy and Legislative Affairs to be signed off on and published. These are the last of the three sets of regulations to be signed off on. We currently have sign off from the Mayor's office on Veterinarian regulations and Vet Tech regulations.</p> <p>The next steps in the regulation process is for all three sets of regulations to go out of a 30-day comment period by the public. If there are no substantial comments the regulations will then move forward for publication.</p>	
OS-0218-11	<p><u>COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u></p>	
OS-0218-12	<p><u>HOUSEKEEPING</u></p> <p>Board of Veterinary Medicine upcoming meeting dates March 18,2021 – April 15,2021 – May 20,2021</p>	
OS-0218-13	<p><u>ANIMAL RELATED COVID-19 RECOMMENDATIONS</u></p> <p>COVID-19 Recommendations for Pet Stores, Pet Distributors, and Pet Breeding Facilities: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/animals/pet-store.html</p> <p>COVID-19 Considerations for Animal Activities at Fairs, Shows, and Other Events: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/animals/events-animal-activities.html</p>	
OS-0218-14	<p><u>INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR VETERINARY ASSESSMENT (ICVA) UPDATES - FYI</u></p> <p>ICVA ADC Nomination Letter Feb. 2021.pdf</p> <p>ICVA 2021 ADC Nomination Form .pdf</p> <p>ICVA ADC Qualifications 2021.pdf</p>	

OS-0218-15	<p><u>AAVSB UPDATES – FYI</u></p> <p>AAVSB VTNE Celebrating Diversity Award</p> <p>file:///C:/Users/member/Downloads/AAVSB%20VTNE%20Celebrating%20Diversity%20Award%20(3).pdf</p> <p>VTNE Spring 2021 Exam Window Expanded</p> <p>Due to the uncertainty surrounding the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, the AAVSB is taking the proactive step of expanding the spring 2021 VTNE administration window. Here are the revised dates:</p> <p>VTNE Exam Window</p> <p>March 15 – May 31, 2021</p>	
OS-0218-16	<p><u>LEGISLATIVE/REGULATIONS</u></p>	
OS-0218-17	<p><u>LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS</u></p> <p>https://dccouncil.us/events/list/</p>	

DISCUSSION ITEMS

OS-0218-18	<p><u>MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION</u></p>	
OS-0218-19	<p><u>FINAL COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u></p>	
OS-0218-20	<p><u>READING OF OPEN SESSION MOTIONS</u></p>	

CLOSING

OS-0218-10	<p><u>MOTION TO COSE</u></p> <p>Board Action: To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p>Background: 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 opengovoffice@dc.gov</p>	
OS-0218-11	<p><u>MOTION TO ADJOURN</u></p> <p>Board Action: To adjourn the meeting.</p> <p>Background: 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> <p>Motion: Members mover to adjourn the Open Session meeting for The Board of Veterinary Medicine for February 18, 2020.</p> <p>Moved By: Blair Zervos – Consumer Member</p> <p>Seconded By: Amy Haywood, LVT – Board Member</p> <p>Motion Carried</p>	

This ends the Open Session Agenda, next meeting is scheduled for **March 18, 2021**

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