

BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

JANUARY 19, 2023

9:30AM - 10:30AM

OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES

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, 2nd 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>

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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	P
	SOPHIE STENNER, BVetMed PGCertSAS MRCVS – BOARD MEMBER (APPOINTMENT IN PROGRESS)	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 – INTERIM DIRECTOR	EA
	ARIAN R. GIBSON, M.S. – INTERIM SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR	EA
	AISHA NIXON, MPT, CPM — ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR	EA
	VITO DELVENTO, DVM, MS – EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	P
	JOY MCFARLANE-MILLS, BS, CPM, ILAM – SUPERVISORY BIOLOGIST	P
	KUNTUMIE HOLSTON, PUBLIC HEALTH ANALYST	P
	EMILIA MORAN, INVESTIGATOR	P
	MATTEO LIEB, LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS SPECIALIST	P
	SAHAR MAJID, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	P

LEGAL STAFF / ATTENDANCE:

LEGAL STAFF MEMBERS:

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

OS-0119-01	<p><u>INTRODUCTIONS</u></p> <p>A. CALL TO ORDER – 9:35 AM B. PRESIDING — Dr. Dan Teich, DVM — Chairperson C. BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT — All Present D. QUORUM — Yes E. STAFF PRESENT – All except Sharon Lewis (Excused Absence), Arian Gibson (Excused absence) and Aisha Nixon (Excused absence). F. PUBLIC ATTENDANCE — Dr. Cheryl Chooljian, City Wildlife Inc.</p>
OS-0119-02	<p>Board Action:</p> <p>Acceptance of the January 19, 2023 Open Session agenda.</p> <p>Motion: Members move to approve the Open Session meeting agenda for January 19, 2023.</p> <p>Moved By: Dan Teich, DVM Chairperson</p> <p>Seconded By: Amy Haywood, LVT Board Member</p> <p>Motion Carried</p>

MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS

OS-0119-03	<p><u>APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES:</u></p> <p>Board Action:</p> <p>Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the December 15, 2022 meeting.</p>
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	<p>Motion: Members move to accept the Open Session meeting minutes for December 15, 2022 meeting.</p> <p>Moved By: Amy Haywood, LVT Board Member</p> <p>Seconded By: Lauren Stump, DVM, Board Member</p> <p>Motion Carried</p>	
OS-0119-04	<p><u>OPEN SESSION CONSENT AGENDA:</u></p>	
OS-0119-05	<p><u>SENIOR DEPUTY REPORT:</u></p> <p>Dr. Vito DelVento reports on behalf of Mr. Arian Gibson who could not join the meeting due to some other engagements. He had nothing specific to report.</p>	
OS-0119-06	<p><u>ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</u></p> <p>Dr. Vito DelVento reports on behalf of Ms. Aisha Nixon. Ms. Aisha Nixon could not join the meeting and she had nothing specific to report.</p>	

OS-0119-07	<p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u></p> <p><i>Census</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active Licenses: 426 • Expired Licenses: 540 • Approved Renewal Applications: 309 • New Applications Under Review: 9 • Renewal Applications Under Review: 0 <p>Dr. Vito DelVento reported that DC Health has been preparing for the oversight hearings.</p>	
OS-0119-08	<p><u>ANIMAL SERVICES PROGRAM REPORT (ASP)</u></p> <p>ONLINE DOG LICENSING APPLICATIONS</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>https://dchealth.force.com/animalservices/s/login/?ec=302&startURL=%2Fanimalservices%2Fs%2F</p> <p>Dr. DelVento stated that there's no major update regarding the animal services program.</p>	
OS-0119-09	<p><u>BOARD CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT</u></p> <p>Dr. Dan Teich had nothing specific to report.</p>	

OS-0119-10	<p><u>BOARD COUNSELOR'S REPORT</u></p> <p>Mr. Ed Rich had nothing specific to report.</p>	
OS-0119-11	<p><u>COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u></p> <p>There were no comments from the public.</p>	
OS-0119-12	<p><u>HOUSEKEEPING</u></p> <p>Future Board meeting dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 16, 2023 (In-Person) • March 16, 2023 • April 20, 2023 • May 18, 2023 • June 15, 2023 (In-Person) <p>The next month's board meeting will be in-person and it will take place at DC Health building located at 899 N Capitol St. NE, Washington DC 20002.</p>	
OS-0119-13	<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-0119-14	<p><u>INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR VETERINARY ASSESSMENT (ICVA) UPDATES - FYI</u></p>	
OS-0119-15	<p><u>AAVSB UPDATES – FYI</u></p> <p>Watchdog Tracking Report</p> <p>AAVSB’s Watchdog released its monthly report for the month of January 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December 2022 Conventional Report • December 2022 Updates by Jurisdiction Report View • December 2022 Activity at a Glance (Attached with this agenda) <p><i>Watchdog is your resource center for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. <p>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.</p> <p>Board Basics & Beyond</p> <p>April 14 - 15, 2023 at The Fontaine Hotel in Kansas City, Missouri Registration is open through February 28, 2023. Register here.</p>	

Bylaw Amendments

March 3, 2023 Proposed Bylaws amendments must be received in writing at the AAVSB office.

A full proposed bylaw amendments email went out a few weeks ago. You can view that email [here](#).

Veterinary Care Elite

Renewals notices for Elect and Elite members of Veterinary Care Elite have been sent out! With close to 1,000 members, Veterinary Care Elite is growing and becoming the best program on the journey for veterinary technicians to be the best and brightest in the veterinary community.

Executive Director Round Table

This past Executive Director Roundtable in Mid-November was super informative and engaging. We were able to get a photo of everyone and loved getting to hear everyone's thoughts and ideas. We are excited for the next roundtable coming up in 2023!

AAVSB Cozy Corner

We love to see our name out there in the real world! During the AAVSB Annual Meeting and Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina, one of our giveaways was a fleece blanket. This particular blanket made it all the way to a Buffalo Bills game!

Practice Act Model

We are proud to offer the AAVSB Veterinary Medicine Practice Act Model. The Practice Act Model contains language that defines the procedures of the regulatory board and provides the most current regulatory language covering a host of issues facing veterinary medicine regulatory boards today.

You can view the PAM on our [website](#) or download it [here](#).

Enforcement policy regarding federal veterinarian-client-patient relationship requirements

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the withdrawal of the guidance document entitled "Enforcement Policy Regarding Federal VCPR Requirements to Facilitate Veterinary Telemedicine During the COVID-

	<p>19 Outbreak,” which was issued in March 2020. FDA is withdrawing this guidance document in recognition that the conditions that created the need for the enforcement policy have evolved, such that the policy is no longer needed. Complete notice can be found here.</p>	
<p>OS-0119-16</p>	<p><u>LEGISLATIVE/REGULATIONS</u> <u>PDMP</u></p> <p><u>Veterinarian, Veterinarian Technician, Veterinarian Euthanasia Technician Regulations</u></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> <p>Mr. Matteo Lieb reported that the Council has started its new session on January 2, 2023, and the first Council meeting was on January 3, 2023.</p> <p>Mr. Lieb further stated that the Bill 24-560 pertaining to domestic animal care and animal control operations passed in the last Council period and now it has been under the Congressional review period.</p> <p>Mr. Lieb also highlighted the upcoming performance oversight hearing. He said that we are getting ready for that. The hearing has been scheduled for March 2, 2023 from 9:30 am to 6:00 pm. Our budget oversight hearing has not been scheduled yet.</p>	
<p>OS-0119-17</p>	<p><u>LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS</u></p> <p>https://dccouncil.us/events/list/</p>	

DISCUSSION ITEMS	
OS-0119-18	<p><u>MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION</u></p>
OS-0119-19	<p><u>FINAL COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u></p> <p>There were no comments from the public.</p>
OS-0119-20	<p><u>READING OF OPEN SESSION MOTIONS</u></p>

CLOSING	
OS-0119-21	<p><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</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.</p>

	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	
OS-0119-22	<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>	

This ends the Open Session Agenda, next meeting is scheduled for **February 16, 2023**

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