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VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS MAY 29, 2013 SUSSEX ROOM PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

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A. CALL TO ORDER

This scheduled meeting of the Board will be called to order at 9:30 a.m. in the Sussex Conference Room 6th Floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

The following Board Members were present for this meeting:

Board President Mark Logan, V.M.D.
Board Member Barry M. Adler, D.V.M.
Board Member Rachel Gardner, D.V.M.
Board Member Marc A. Rosenberg, V.M.D.
Board Member Manoel Tamassia, D.V.M.
Board Member Eileen Thornton

Staff present: Deputy Attorney General Olga E. Bradford
Jonathan Eisenmenger, Executive Director
Isaura Roman, Secretarial Assistant

Board member absent: Mr. Giron

Public present: Mrs. Patricia Scavelli Liaison from the New Jersey Veterinary Medical Association.

Announcement of quorum.

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing to the Office of the Secretary of State, the Newark, Star Ledger, the Trenton Times, the Bergen Record. Atlantic City Press and the Courier Post.

B. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC MINUTES

April 24, 2013 Public Minutes

On a motion made by Dr. Rosenberg, seconded by Dr. Gardner, the April 24, 2013 public minutes were approved as amended.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

(None)

D. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

1. Assembly Bill # 2882

The Board reviewed Assembly Bill # 2882 and accepted as informational.

E. ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Report by Executive Director, Jonathan Eisenmenger

Executive Director, Eisenmenger reported that June 21, 2013 will be the last examination for the spring and they will be administering future examination sometime in the fall.

F. CREDENTIALING

1. **Dr. Patricia Leff - State Examination** – Application by endorsement of credentials.

On a motion made by Ms. Thornton, and seconded by Dr. Gardner, the Board approved Dr. Leff to sit for the exam and grant a temporary license.

2. **Dr. Christina Leone - State Examination** – Application for licensure by endorsement of credentials.

On a motion made by Ms. Thornton, and seconded by Dr. Tamassia, the Board approved Dr. Leone to sit for the exam and grant a temporary license.

3. **Dr. Brij Gupta - State Examination** – On a motion made by Dr. Adler, and seconded by Dr. Gardner, the Board voted to approve Dr. Gupta to sit for the exam, but not for a license. He must complete the background check, and submit proof of a valid visa status authorization before licensure.

4. **Dr. Munther Mahmoud Ibrahim Yasin - State Examination**

On a motion made by Ms. Rosenberg, and seconded by Ms. Thornton, the Board approved Dr. Yasin to sit for the exam and grant a license.

G. CORRESPONDENCE

1. **Email from Mr. Eisenmenger re Vet Online Orientation –**
The Board discussed the financial impacts that may occur from discontinuing the current JP exam. The Board is aware that approximately 150 candidates per year sit for the exam, and are charged \$250 per examination.
The Board requested information from the budget officer about the Board's financial status, with this anticipated reduction in revenue.
2. **Memo from AAVSB re PAVE program**
The AAVSB reports that the PAVE program is being discontinued. The Board received this as informational.
3. **Letter from Daneya P. Mitchell re CE's programs**
Ms. Mitchell requests Board approval of CE programs for veterinary acupuncture courses. The Board notes that it accepts continuing education credit that has been evaluated and by RACE, and suggests that Ms. Mitchell submit these programs to RACE for consideration, additionally, the Board directed that a copy of its regulations be sent to Ms. Mitchell so that she may govern her requests to the regulations.
4. **Letter from Lisa Tadeo, Executive Director, Board of Chiropractic Examiners**
The Board received a letter from the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, which wrote to inform the Veterinary Board that use of the term "chiropractic" is reserved in **N.J.S.A. 45:9-14.5(d)** for use by licensed chiropractors only. The State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners noted that its regulations specifically refer to "animal chiropractic" as part of the practice of veterinary medicine, and it thanks the chiropractic board for its interest in this matter.

H. PUBLIC DISCIPLINARY ACTION

1. Malachy A. Coyle, M.v.B. – Consent Order filed on May 21, 2013.
2. Libby Y. Nesvold, V.M.D. – Consent Order filed on April 19, 2013.

3. Laura J. Cromal, D.V.M. – Amended Complaint filed on April 16, 2013. Dr. Cromal responded to the initial Complaint, through counsel; but, no response has been received to the Amended Complaint.

On a motion by Dr. Logan, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, the Board deemed this to be a contested case, and determined to retain jurisdiction and schedule a public hearing. The Board directed the executive director to contact the attorneys for the parties to request an estimate for how much time they anticipate will be required, and to work to schedule a public hearing at an upcoming meeting day.

I. MISCELLANEOUS

J. NEXT MEETING

The Board will convene in executive session to hold investigative inquiries and to consider new and pending consumer complaints and disciplinary matters. Immediately subsequent to executive session the Board will return to open session to vote on those matters resulting in disciplinary action.

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION