

**Oregon Veterinary Medical Examining Board
Running Y Resort
Lodge Conference Room
5500 Running Y Road
Klamath Falls, OR**

FINAL MINUTES

Present:

Dr. Marla McGeorge (Vice-Chair), Dr. Emilio DeBess (Vice-Chair)
Drs. Patricia Mayfield and Colleen Robertson
Randi Golub, CVT
Public Members Ms. Lynn Larsen and Ms. Peggidy Yates
Lori Makinen, Director; Douglas Snyder, Investigator
Carol Parks, Asst. Attorney General

Friday, October 23, 2015 Conducted in Executive Session per ORS 192.660(2)(k)

Assistant Attorney General advice provided.

Updated cases: 07-0024, 14-0024, 14-0030, 14-0039, 14-0043, 14-0045; 14-0051, 15-0009/0021.
Interviews for cases: 15-0016, 15-0019.
New cases reviewed: 15-0022; 15-0023; 15-0028; 15-0026.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Saturday, October 24, 2015 Public Session Convened 9:00 a.m.

Vice-Chair McGeorge called the meeting to order and took roll.
Ms. Larsen moved, Ms. Yates seconded, and the agenda and July minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of esteemed members Dr. Robert Lester and Dr. Kimberli Maltman, and welcomed re-appointed member Dr. Emilio DeBess. The Board acknowledged the retirement of its attorney, Carol Parks.

The Board welcomed guests Dr. Chuck Meyers, OVMA president, and CVT Trish Elliot.

Chair Report

Drs. McGeorge and DeBess discussed the proliferation of companies marketing cannabis products for pets, noting that the FDA has issued cease and desist notices to many of them. The Board will post an advisory on its website concerning veterinary use of cannabis.

Director Report

Dr. Robertson moved, Ms. Larsen seconded, and the Board ratified issuance of 12 veterinary and intern licenses, and 27 CVT licenses since the last meeting.

Discussion

The Board responded to a licensee's question about supervision of interns on farm calls. Per OAR 875-010-0050(1)(a - c), once the supervisor has determined competence in a procedure or class of procedures, the intern may practice without direct supervision.

Cannabis use for pets: the Board will develop a position paper for distribution and posting on the website. The Board noted that veterinarians are free to discuss cannabis with clients.

The Board considered a matter involving a licensee's contretemps with IRS and concluded that the issues are unrelated to practice of veterinary medicine and will have no bearing on the licensee's standing with the Board.

The Board considered a licensee's request for clarification of 'surgical dental services', etc., and determined that a sufficient definition is found in OAR 875-015-0050(1).

Former member Dr. Mark McConnell addressed the Board concerning the practice of unlicensed sonography. The Board will consult with Oregon Radiation Protection Services on the matter.

CVT Trish Eliot updated the Board on her efforts to interest local veterinarians and veterinary employees in establishing an accredited veterinary technology program in Southern Oregon.

Rulemaking

Dr. McGeorge moved, Dr. Mayfield seconded and the Board voted unanimously to adopt proposed rules to implement HB 2474 (facility registration) and HB 2475 (citation and fine authority). The Board discussed future rulemaking related to facility registration, such as adjusting minimum requirements for different practice types, noting that the statute requires convening a Rule Advisory Committee prior to proposing rule amendments. The Board thanked Dr. Chuck Meyers for the help and support of OVMA in the rulemaking process.

Complaint Resolution (Open investigations or pending cases are not listed.) Dr. DeBess was excused from the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

14-0024—Dr. Mayfield moved, Ms. Larsen seconded, and the Board voted to find violations of OAR 875-015-0030(1); (2)(a)(b);(3)(J); and OAR 875-011-0010(7), and impose a civil penalty of \$1,000.

14-0043—Dr. McGeorge moved, Ms. Yates seconded, and the Board voted to amend its notice to delete citation of OAR 875-011-0010(9) and reduce the civil penalty to \$250.

15-0016—Dr. McGeorge moved, Ms. Yates seconded, and the Board voted to find violations of OAR 875-015-0030(1), 875-011-0010(7) and 875-015-0015(3), and impose a civil penalty of \$1,500. Dr. Mayfield recused herself from deliberation and voting.

15-0019—Dr. McGeorge moved, Ms. Larsen seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to find multiple violations of ORS 686.130(1), and impose a civil penalty of \$1,000 per violation.

15-0022—Dr. Mayfield moved, Ms. Yates seconded, and the Board voted to close the case without discipline.

15-0023—Dr. McGeorge moved, Ms. Golub seconded, and the Board voted to find no violation of the Veterinary Practice Act.

15-0026—Dr. McGeorge moved, Ms. Larsen seconded, and the Board voted to find no violation of the Veterinary Practice Act. Dr. Mayfield recused herself from deliberation and voting.

15-0028—Dr. McGeorge moved, Ms. Golub seconded, and the Board voted to find no violation of the Veterinary Practice Act.

Next meeting: January 29-30, 2016, Portland.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Lori Makinen, Director.