

MINUTES

BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

DATE: April 10, 2019

TIME: 9:00 a.m., CST

LOCATION: Poplar Room
665 Mainstream Drive
Nashville, TN 37243

MEMBERS PRESENT: Stephen S. Galloway, D.V.M., President
Robert John Simpson, D.V.M., Vice-President
Stephen M. Ladd, D.V.M., Secretary
Elizabeth B. Thompson, D.V.M.
Nathan Scott Loxley, D.V.M.
Leslie R. Wereszczak, L.V.M.T.
Doug Balthaser, D.V.M., State Veterinarian, Ex-officio Member
Beverly Ann Strong, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: John Tidwell, HRB Director
Kimberly Wallace, Executive Director
Kimberly Hodge, Massage Board Director
Lyndsey Boone, Board Administrator
Paul Richardson, Board Attorney

Upon the determination of a quorum being present, the Board meeting was called to order by Dr. Galloway at 9:22 a.m.

Introductions

Ms. Lyndsey Boone introduced Ms. Kimberly Wallace as the new Executive Director for Unit 3 of the Health Related Boards, which includes the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners.

Ms. Wallace also introduced Mr. John Tidwell as the new Director for Health Related Boards.

Dr. Galloway welcomed the new staff and gave a brief explanation as to why we are there this morning. The Board is there to protect the public from unscrupulous acts from Veterinarians and Non-Veterinarians alike; their job is not to protect the profession, it's to protect the public.

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ladd, to approve the December 5, 2018 minutes. The motion carried.

Applicant Interviews

Dale Sworts, D.V.M.

The Board reviewed an application for reinstatement of a retired license by **Dale Sworts, D.V.M.** Dr. Sworts had retired his license in 2016 and had not been actively practicing since then. He also has not provided any CE certifications for the period of 2016-2019 to date. Dr. Sworts was present to answer any questions from the members of the board and also provided 15 hours of continuing education for the year

2019. Dr. Galloway had asked how much CE he was missing, and Dr. Sworts is missing all of his CE except for what he just provided us. Dr. Sworts also presented a letter from Cornerstone Animal Hospital which states that he is only doing assistant duties and not performing Veterinary Medicine. The Board also asked what his intentions were when he did go back into practice, which Dr. Sworts said he only wants to do relief work and not start another practice.

Upon further discussion and the advice of Ms. Hodge, Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ladd, to issue Dr. Sworts a contingent license upon the completion of 45 continuing education hours by the end of the calendar year. The motion passed.

Alicia Chaney, C.A.E.T

The Board reviewed an application for licensure as a certified animal euthanasia technician by **Alicia Chaney**. Ms. Chaney was required to appear before the Board for a 2009 Grand Larceny charge and answering yes to being in a rehabilitation program. Ms. Chaney's application had been deferred to this meeting from the December 5, 2018, meeting, and Ms. Chaney was not present to answer questions from the Board. Dr. Baron from the Tennessee Medical Foundation (TMF) gave an overview of the use of Suboxone and other recovery drugs that are used in rehabilitation programs to the Board.

Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Strong, to deny the application. The motion carried.

Paula Tubach, L.V.M.T

Dr. Galloway recused himself from this applicant interview. Ms. Tubach was not present to answer any questions from members of the board. The Board had reviewed an application for licensure as a licensed veterinary medical technician by **Paula Tubach** at the meeting on August 2, 2018. Ms. Tubach had prior board discipline from the Nursing Board in Florida. The board heard from Dr. Barren of the TMF (Tennessee Medical Foundation) whom recommended Ms. Tubach to get an evaluation by TMF.

At the December 5, 2018 meeting, Dr. Baron stated he had reached out to Ms. Tubach and provided the information to complete the evaluation but she never completed the evaluation. Dr. Baron said that Ms. Tubach was in the IPN program in Florida; he spoke with her at the end of the August 2, 2018 meeting and provided TMF's information. She followed up with a phone call to TMF where they referred her to an inexpensive evaluation in Memphis, which she never followed through on. They also asked her to provide and release her records from Florida, which TMF never received. TMF tried to follow up with her via phone calls but she never returned their messages. A motion was made at the December 5, 2018, meeting to defer her application to this current meeting, to give her time to respond to our requests and reach out to TMF.

TMF confirmed that they had still not received any communication with Ms. Tubach, and neither had the Board staff. Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Thompson, to deny the application. The motion carried.

Grace Ference, L.V.M.T.

The Board reviewed an application for licensure as a licensed veterinary medical technician by **Grace Ference**. Ms. Ference was charged with a DUI in 2015 and theft in 2016 and convicted of reckless driving in 2019. Ms. Ference was present to answer any questions from members of the board. The Board asked for TMF recommendation, which Dr. Barron stated he would recommend her to be evaluated by TMF to determine whether she needed further treatment.

After discussion and review of the documentation, Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Wereszczak, to issue a conditional license based upon her completing an evaluation with TMF and if needed, sign an agreement with TMF to follow their requirements for treatment. Ms. Strong voted nay. The motion carried.

Teresa Pace, D.V.M.

The Board reviewed an application for reinstatement of a retired license by **Teresa Pace, D.V.M.** Dr. Pace retired her license in 1998 and had not been actively practicing since 1998 but she has kept up with her continuing education and has another doctor willing to supervise her. Dr. Pace was present to answer questions from the board members. After discussion and review of the documentation, Ms. Wereszczak made a motion, seconded by Dr. Balthaser, to approve the file. The motion carried.

Michelle Yoshida, D.V.M.

The Board reviewed an application for licensure as a veterinarian by **Michelle Yoshida, D.V.M.** Dr. Yoshida's file was brought before the Board because she has an open complaint with the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners of Ontario. Ontario could not disclose the nature of the complaint but said it would be heard at their June meeting and recommended we reach out to the applicant. Dr. Yoshida provided us with the original complaint letter and a personal explanation for what happened. The complaint is based on Dr. Yoshida's bedside manner and there were no medical competency or treatment issues in the complaint. Dr. Yoshida was not present to answer questions from the Board. After discussion and review of the documentation, Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ladd, to approve the file. The motion carried.

Waiver Requests

Chris Buckner, D.V.M.

Dr. Buckner submitted a waiver requesting that the Board waive three hours of continuing education for the year 2016 as he missed the first day of his conference for continuing education because of the Gatlinburg wildfires, which had a direct effect on him, both personally and professionally. After discussion and review of the documentation, Dr. Ladd made a motion, seconded by Dr. Simpson, to waive the three hours. The motion carried.

Madonna Higgins, D.V.M.

Dr. Higgins submitted a waiver requesting that the Board waive her requirement of needing to be actively practicing for three out of the last five years as she was in school during that time period after being released from the Military. After discussion and review of the documentation, Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ladd, to waive the active practice requirement. The motion carried.

Fiscal Report

Ms. Noranda French went over the Mid-Year for 2019 Report. The Board's total expenditures summed up to \$228,004.74 and the projected year in total expenditures are to be totaled at \$512,741.17. Ms. French then went over the requests from the December 5, 2018 meeting. One request was to look over contacts for continuing education monitoring and found a no cost contract with CE Broker, which would be discussed later in the meeting. The next request was to provide potential fee reduction scenarios to the Board. Upon review of the documentation Ms. French was asked to bring the net carry over for renewals to as close to zero as she could without putting our finances in the red and to present it with the Year-End report.

Investigations Report

Ms. Lori Leonard, Disciplinary Coordinator, provided a list of practitioners currently being monitored for compliance with disciplinary orders, suspended licenses and revoked licenses. There are twenty one (21) Veterinarians, one (1) Veterinary Technician and two (2) Veterinary Facilities that are currently being monitored. For the year 2018 there were a total of sixty one (61) complaints opened against Veterinarians with fifty two (52) of them being closed, a total of eight (8) complaints opened against Veterinary Facilities with six (6) of them being closed and there was one (1) complaint opened against a Veterinary Technician with two (2) of being closed. For 2019 there are nineteen (19) open complaints for Veterinarians, zero (0) open complaints for Veterinary Facilities and zero (0) open complaints for Veterinary Technicians that the Office of Investigations are reviewing or investigating.

OGC Report

Assistant General Counsel, Paul Richardson gave the OGC report:

Conflict of interest statement

Paul Richardson went over the conflict of interest form that all board members must abide by.

Litigation

OGC currently has twenty four (24) open cases concerning the TBVME; OGC also has three (3) consent orders and one (1) Agreed Order.

Rules

Prescribing and Dispensing and TVMA inspection process rules are in internal review.

Agreed Order – Melba J. Burgess, D.V.M.

Mr. Paul Richardson, Assistant General Counsel, presented the Agreed Order to the Board for ratification. Dr. Burgess was not present at the meeting for questions from the Board. Dr. Burgess had practiced at Animal Hospital of West Nashville without a premises permit from about March 2017 to July 2018, or approximately fifteen (15) months. Upon ratification of this order, Dr. Melba Burgess must pay fifteen (15) Type C civil penalties of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) each representing a civil penalty for each month that Dr. Burgess operated and practiced in a veterinary facility without a premises permit for a total of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1500.00) in civil penalties within one year of the ratification of this Agreed Order. Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Thompson, to accept the Agreed Order. The motion carried.

Consent Order – Dixie Spay-Neuter Express, Inc.

Mr. Paul Richardson, Assistant General Counsel, presented the Consent Order to the Board for ratification. Dixie Spay-Neuter Express, Inc., were not present at the meeting for questions. The facility was issued an Order reprimanding them on August 17, 2016 for incomplete patient records by the Board. The Order specified that they were to pay the actual and reasonable costs of prosecuting the case. The costs of prosecuting the case totaled one thousand, six hundred four dollars and fourteen cents (\$1604.14). The Department mailed notices of outstanding balances on January 25, 2017 and April 7, 2017 and Dixie Spay-Neuter Express, Inc. has failed to pay costs. Upon ratification of this order Dixie Spay-Neuter Express, Inc. premises permit is Suspended and will only be lifted on condition that they pay the penalties and costs from the previous August 17, 2016 Board Order totaling \$1604.14. The condition of Probation from the August 17, 2016 Board Order is still in effect and must be complied with for the Probation to be lifted. Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Loxley, to accept the Consent Order. The motion carried.

Consent Order – All Paws Veterinary Clinic

Mr. Paul Richardson, Assistant General Counsel, presented the Consent Order to the Board for ratification. All Paws Veterinary Clinic was not present at the meeting for questions. The respondent had operated without timely renewing the premises permit. Upon ratification of this order, the respondent must pay twenty four (24) type C Civil penalties of one hundred dollars (\$100) each, representing a civil penalty for each month the respondent operated and practiced without a premises permit for a total of two thousand four hundred dollars (\$2400.00) in civil penalties. All civil penalties must be paid within twelve (12) months of the ratification of this order. Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Balthaser., to accept the Consent Order. The motion carried.

Consent Order – Larry Mangum, D.V.M.

Mr. Paul Richardson, Assistant General Counsel, presented the Consent Order to the Board for ratification. Dr. Mangum was not present at the meeting for questions. Dr. Mangum is the owner and supervising veterinarian at Appalachian Animal Hospital in Morristown, Tennessee. On or about April 11, 2017 Dr. Mangum saw the client Smokey who was brought in with a draining abscess in the left front leg, the cat

remained at the Clinic until Jun 25, 2017. Dr. Mangum did not take a culture of the wound and stated that from his experience that he had administered four (4) different antibiotics to treat the cat's infection, and because he was providing the services free of charge, he surmised the infection to be MRSA or a similar infection. On or about June 25, 2017, Smokey was taken by a former employee to Lakeway Animal Hospital, along with the cat's medical records. Neither Smokey nor the records were returned. During an interview with investigators Dr. Mangum claimed that he amputated Smokey's leg but later medical records show that an amputation of the cat's left front leg was performed at Lakeway Animal Hospital by a different veterinarian on or about June 26, 2017. Dr. Mangum insists that his confusion relating to the care of Smokey was due to the unauthorized removal of Smokey and its medical records from his practice and the fact that he was treating several animals by the name Smokey at that time, and that he had performed other amputations during the same time frame. The DEA found numerous expired narcotics in a locked cabinet in the Clinic along with drawers with boxes filled with used syringes, and other items. Behind the Clinic investigators found a syringe with a needle attached, laying on a picnic table and a vial of Fatal Plus (a euthanasia agent) in Dr. Mangum's truck; which he stated he uses when he has to go out and euthanize farm animals. Upon ratification of this order, Dr. Mangum is placed on Probation for a period of no less than two (2) years and must complete ten (10) additional hours of Continuing Education related to Ethics, Minimum Competency Standards, Practice Management, Client Communication and Medical Records within twelve (12) months. Dr. Mangum must pay two (2) type C Civil penalties of one hundred dollars (\$100), representing a civil penalty for two instances of storage and disposal of medical waste violations, for a total of two hundred dollars (\$200). All civil penalties must be paid in full within twelve (12) months of the ratification of this order. Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ladd, to accept the Consent Order. Ms. Beverly Strong voted Nay. The motion carried.

Directors Report

As of April 9, 2019 we have the following number of active licensees:

Veterinarian	2478
Veterinary Medical Technician	890
Veterinary Facility	838
Certified Animal Euthanasia Technician	308
Certified Animal Control Agencies	69
Certified Animal Chemical Capture Technicians	2
Animal Chemical Capture Certification	1

Since the last meeting, there have been 23 voluntarily retired, 1 revoked, 1 on probation and 20 expired veterinarian licensees, 3 voluntarily retired and 13 expired veterinary technician licensees, 18 expired certified animal euthanasia technician licensees and 1 expired veterinary facility premises permits. 53.5% of Veterinarians, 52.9% of Veterinary Technicians and 40% of Euthanasia technicians renewed online.

Inspection Status Report

For the months of December 2018, January, February and March 2019 East, TN had a total of eighty (80) facility inspections, Middle, TN had a total of seventy two (72) facility inspections and West, TN had a total of thirty (30) inspections, for a grand total of one hundred and eighty two (182) facility inspections across the state.

On February 5, 2019 Kimberly and I attended Columbia State University for the Veterinary Boards Student Outreach Program to give a presentation to the senior veterinary technician class on the licensure process. Kimberly and I also attended the Music City Veterinary Conference February 22-23, 2019; we manned the booth for the BVME to answer any questions attendees may have, passed out the Rules for Veterinarians and Veterinary Technicians and gave a presentation to the junior class from UTK Veterinary College on the NAVLE application process and how to get licensed in Tennessee.

Continuing Education Report

For the Auditing period of January 2018 thru December 2018 there were a total of forty eight (48) Veterinarians audited, with forty four (44) compliant and four (4) non-compliant. All the non-compliant Veterinarians were deficient the required number of C.E hours.

For the same auditing period there were a total of fourteen (14) Veterinary Technicians audited, with twelve (12) compliant and two (2) non-compliant. Of the non-compliant Veterinary Technicians one was deficient the required number of C.E hours and the other failed to contact the compliance unit after receiving their second notice of audit letter via certified mail.

There was a discrepancy in the last Auditing report provided to the board for the year 2017, this is the corrected report.

For the Auditing period of January 2017 thru December 2017 there were a total of forty seven (47) Veterinarians audited, with forty two (42) compliant and five (5) non-compliant. Of the non-compliant Veterinarians four (4) were deficient in the required number of CE hours and one (1) failed to contact the compliance unit after receiving their second notice of audit letter via certified mail.

For the same auditing period there were a total of twelve (12) Veterinary Technicians audited, with all twelve (12) compliant.

Ms. Kimberly Wallace then went over the continuing education tracking options that the Board had requested at their last meeting. One of the options was CVET that is done through the AAVSB and the other option was CE Broker that already has a no cost contract with the State. After hearing the options presented to them the Board would like to implement CE Broker to aid in the tracking of CE for licensees. At this time CE Broker is voluntary but based on the statistics after the first year of implementation it may become mandatory. Dr. Simpson, seconded by Dr. Ladd, made a motion to approve. The motion carried.

CSMD Report

Dr. Simpson attended the last CSMD meeting; nothing that was discussed applied to veterinary medicine and the April 2019 was canceled.

Rule Making Hearing, Rule Amendment and Policies Discussion

Ms. Kimberly Wallace went over the current Continuing Education Audit Policy and what proposed amendments were made to the Continuing Education Policy, which clarified language in the policy, made the administrative follow-up more efficient and held licensees to the continuing education standard while at the same time allowing them an opportunity to still make up any missed hours. Dr. Simpson, seconded by Dr. Thompson, made a motion to accept the amendments made to the policy removing paragraph four. The motion carried. Please see the Board's website to view full Audit Policy.

Ms. Lyndsey Boone proposed a Rule change that would require continuing education for Certified Animal Euthanasia Technicians. At this time CAET's do not have any continuing education requirements for renewal or reinstatement. Ms. Boone answered questions from the Board if there are continuing education even available for CAET's, and yes there is. The ACCAT then presented to the Board on what the requirements are for initial certification and that they have discussed implementing a four or eight hour refresher course that could be used in the continuing education of CAET's. Dr. Simpson asked if ACCAT would be willing to come back to the following meeting with a potential refresher course to present to the

Board, ACCAT accepted and said they would come back with options for the Board to review. The continuation of the discussion will be moved to the next meeting.

Ms. Boone also proposed a Rule amendment to Veterinarians and Veterinary Technicians to allow the administrative staff to accept VAULT document packages from the American Association of Veterinary State Board (AAVSB). Dr. Simpson asked for the administrative staff and attorney to come back at the next meeting with Rule and Policy changes to allow the acceptance of VAULT document packages.

Paul Richardson proposed to look into a Rule change to allow a Veterinarian who has been retired for a long period of time to be able to be issued a license under supervision without it becoming discipline on their license. This is because we've had multiple Veterinarians come to the last few meetings needing a conditional license so that they can work but be required to be supervised when they had done nothing wrong that would prompt discipline, but had simply gone into retirement. Dr. Simpson made a motion for Paul to go forward with this possible Rule amendment for a non-disciplinary supervision reinstatement license, seconded by Dr. Loxley. The motion carried.

Agreed Citations

Ms. Lyndsey Boone presented one (1) Agreed Citation to the Board for their review, for Reelfoot Animal Hospital, LLC, for working on an expired premises permit. After review of the citation, Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ladd, to ratify the Agreed Citation. The motion carried.

Ratifications

A motion was made by Dr. Simpson, seconded by Ms. Strong, to approve the presented list of newly licensed/certified or reinstated veterinarians, veterinary medical technicians, veterinary facilities, certified animal euthanasia technicians, certified animal control agencies, and certified animal chemical capture technicians. The motion was carried.

Veterinarians –Newly Licensed and Reinstated

Frizzell John Morrow	Miller
Aufox Erin Elizabeth	Kinchen Wesley Loyd
Bartlett Ned R.	Klutts Brianna
Bates Jaclyn Enners	Landers Mark Mccall
Beeler Travis Wayne	Larson Jessica
Burnett Jayme Sarah	Leeman-Goepp Jessica
Campbell Leigh Suzanne	Joy
Carlin Heather Kathryn	Ligon Andrew Daniel
Clark Lindsay Blair	Lindsey Christina Parr
Crump Elizabeth Durbin	Luo Jian
Ferrari Alexa	Macconnell Melissa
Fetterman Robert Donald	Maddox Jenna Clay
Goodwin Jonathan C.	Mayer Natalie Ann
Goodwin Katie Dombert	Pfisterer Bianca Rose
Groeschl Kortney	Pribluda Jonatan David
Grove Daniel Matthew	Redding Karen
Gunter Miriam Juliana	Thompson
Hacker Claire Hennesy	Ryan Patricia M
Hale Melissa Pounders	Stanley William Alan
Horner Jeffery S.	Sweet Jessica N
Humphreys Alan Farley	White Michael Shane
Johnson Lynne M.A.	Wingo Casey Colwell

Veterinary Medical Technicians – Newly Licensed and Reinstated

Allen Jennifer	Ferrell Megan
Allred Teri Brooke	Fields Misty Sargent
Arnold Anastasia	Gray Daniel Allen
Asmar Kaitlyn Louise	Griffin Amanda Lynn
Bogges Shannon Kristine	Hall Angela Dawn
Bowers Skylar Anna	Hawkins April Dawn
Brown Courtney Kay	Jensen Katherine K
Burdge Kelly Jacox	Lescure Katie Ellen
Carter Shelby Leigh	Mcgarvey Jordan Evon
Childress Kirstie	Meeks Oliveira Donielle
Corners Rebecca Joelle	Meshone

Certified Animal Euthanasia Technicians – Newly Licensed and Reinstated

Allen Latrisha M	Espinal Jorge David
Barlow Ashley	Foran Frank K
Barton Bradley	Freeman Brenda Sue
Berg Tara Elizabeth	Haack Stephany Ann
Bleil Kayla Marie	Harrington Shea Lauren
Chambers Deanna	Hicks Penny
Crabtree Hailey Luann	Hutchinson-Tracy Jennifer
Crutchfield Paula L	Anne
D'Amato Samuel	Johnson Zachary
Dawson Tiffany Pearson	King Kevin
Ellison Brandy Nichole	Mcdonald Madeline Marie

Veterinary Facilities

Ashland Terrace Animal Hospital	Gordonsville Veterinary Clinic
Cat Clinic	Hackett Animal Clinic
Danjam Veterinary Enterprises	Loudon County Animal Hospital
Middle Valley Animal Hospital	Pet Calls Wellness Clinic
Powell Animal Hospital	Reelfoot Animal Hospital Llc
Tellico Bay Animal Hospital	Sango Veterinary Hospital Llc
Vip Petcare	Scha Llc
Vip Petcare	Village Veterinary Hospital Llc
Vip Petcare	
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Vip Petcare	
All Paws Veterinary Clinic	
Animal Medical Hospital	
Animals West	
Avian And Exotics Center Of Nashville	
Butler Animal Clinic Llc	

Continuing Education Course Approval

The following requests for approval of continuing education hours were reviewed:

A request from **Coastal Resources** for approval of twenty (20) continuing education hours for the “**Gulf Coast Wildlife Symposium**” over a variety of topics held February 12-14, 2019 Orange Beach, AL.

A request from **C. Craig DeMuth, DVM** for approval of nine (9) continuing education hours for a course and wet lab on “**Practical Bovine Reproductive Ultrasounds**” held March 21-22, 2019 in Pall Mall, TN.

A request from **Zoetis** for approval of two (2) continuing education hours for the course “**Protect the Unprotected: Utilizing Advances in Parasitocides to meet Pet and Pet Owner needs**” held March 19, 2019 in Somerville, TN and Jackson, TN, March 20, 2019 in two locations in Memphis, TN and March 21, 2019 in Memphis, TN.

A request from **Zoetis** for approval of two (2) continuing education hours for a dinner presentation that went over topics “**Strategies to protect more pets from fleas, ticks and heartworms, How to protect your pharmacy from online retailers in 2019 and Strategies to increase your practice revenue**” held April 30, 2019 in Johnson City, TN and May 1, 2019 in Knoxville, TN.

A request from **Nashville Veterinary Specialist** for approval of two (2) continuing education hours for the courses “**Nutrition: What’s new and what’s true**” held January 15, 2019 in Nashville, TN, “**Pancreatitis**” held February 19, 2019 in Nashville, TN, “**Dermatology: Corticosteroids, Immunosuppressives, and other Immunomodulatory Agents**” held March 12, 2019 in Nashville, TN, “**Hemolytic Anemia**” held April 9, 2019 in Nashville, TN, “**Inflammatory CNS Disease**” held May 14, 2019 in Nashville, TN, “**10 Common Veterinary Emergencies**” held May 16, 2019 in Nashville, TN, “**Updates on Small Animal Surgery Part 1**” held July 9, 2019 in Nashville, TN, “**Updates on Small Animal Surgery Part 2**” held August 13, 2019 in Nashville, TN, “**Electrocardiogram Review**” held September 10, 2019 in Nashville, TN, “**Key abstracts from the Veterinary Cancer Society meeting**” held October 8, 2019 in Nashville, TN, “**Common Emergency Procedures**” held November 12, 2019 in Nashville TN and approval of one (1) continuing education hour for the course “**CPR Review and Hands-On Training for Veterinary Technicians**” held on various dates and locations.

A request from **Shanna Wall, DVM**, for approval of five (5) continuing education hours for the seminar hosted by Emancipet “**So, You’re a Manager now: Tools to become a better supervisor**” held May 16-17, 2019 in Austin, TX.

A request **Upstate Veterinary Specialist** for approval of seven (7) continuing education hours for a Spring conference held April 7, 2019 in Asheville, NC.

A request from **Vetoquinol** for approval of one and a half (1.5) continuing education hours for the course “**Current Therapies in Chronic Kidney Disease**” held April 17, 2019 in Johnson City, TN.

A request from **Tennessee Bar Association** for approval of five (5) continuing education hours for “**Animal Law Forum**” held May 17, 2019 in Nashville, TN.

The subcommittee reviewed the continuing education requests and Dr. Galloway, seconded by Ms. Wereszczak, made a motion to approve the continuing education requests, except for the “**Gulf Coast Wildlife Symposium**” which was differed and was asked for more information for the Board to make a decision. The motion carried.

Correspondence

The AAVSB sent out an update on Hazardous Drug Requirements and the AVMA sent an update on Accredited Programs.

Dr. Jeffery Horner had submitted a letter to the Board stating that it would be best for a second notification to be sent to licensees that their license is due for renewal. Dr. Simpson made a motion for the administrative staff to speak with IT to see if we are able to send out a second notification to licensees when they are due for renewal, seconded by Ms. Strong. Dr. Loxley was in dissent with the request. The motion carried.

ACCAT had submitted a question to the Board requesting clarification on how many people per animal are required for Euthanasia Certification Courses. After discussion amongst the Board, they clarified that during certification courses students do not have to euthanize their own individual animal and that five people per animal is acceptable. ACCAT also presented to the Board an update to their Certification course. Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Wereszczak, to accept the presentation. The motion carried.

The ICVA sent a notice to the Board allowing them to sit for the NAVLE again to test their knowledge if they so choose. No one on the Board opted to take the exam again.

AAVSB Annual Meeting

The annual AAVSB Meeting is being held September 26-28, 2019 in St. Louis, MO. The Board discussed who would like to attend the meeting, at the moment no one is positive that they are able to attend. Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ladd, to approve six (6) people to attend the meeting. The motion carried.

Ms. Kimberly Wallace and Ms. Leslie Wereszczak attended the Board Basics and Beyond meeting in April 2019 with the AAVSB. They each discussed what they learned at the meeting and encourage any new Board members to attend the meeting as it was very informational.

Adjournment

There being no further business Dr. Simpson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Strong, to move to adjourn at 1:15 p.m. The motion carried.



Robert John Simpson, D.V.M.
Vice President

8/7/19

Date