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NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF
VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT NOTICE

The September 18, 2024 meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners was not at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey, but is being conducted electronically using a remote platform. The requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act were satisfied by transmitting notice of this meeting by mail (and by e-mail) to the Secretary of State, The Press of Atlantic City, Bergen Record, Courier-Post, Star Ledger, Trenton Times, and Asbury Park Press in the Board's written annual notice of its meeting schedule, all on the 1st day of December, 2023 and by posting electronic notice of the meeting on the Board's website on the 1st day of December, 2023. The meeting was held virtually as permitted by the Open Public Meetings Act and began at 10:18 A.M.

I. ROLL CALL

Table with 3 columns: Name, Present, Absent. Rows include Board President Mark Logan, Board Members Barry Adler, Neal Beeber, Donald Bruno, Steven Charnick, and David Croman.

Board Staff Present:

- Deputy Directory, Howard Pine
DCA Staff: Ashlee Lynch, Tiffany Salek
Deputy Attorney General, Barbara Lopez
Deputy Attorney General, James Pham
Regulatory Analyst, Nicole Parelli
Board Staff, Rhonda Frobose



Members of the Public:

Michael Azzarello, President, New Jersey Veterinary Technician Association  
Rebecca Linke  
Matthew Edson, Dean of Shreiber School of Veterinary Medicine  
Megan Williams  
Chris Salviano, Construction Official, Lyndhurst

**II. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES:**

i. **Public Minutes – August 7, 2024**

The Board reviewed the August 7, 2024 public minutes.

On a motion by Dr. Bruno, seconded by Dr. Adler, the Board approved the August 7, 2024 public minutes as amended.

The motion passed unanimously.

**III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

i. **Status of Board Operations**

No report presented at this meeting.

**IV. ADMINISTRATIVE:**

i. **2025 Proposed Meeting Dates**

Dr. Logan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Adler, to accept the proposed meeting dates.

Upon further discussion, the Board determined to revise the schedule as follows:

January 8, 2025  
January 29, 2025 for investigative inquiries only  
February 12, 2025  
March 12, 2025  
April 30, 2025  
May 14, 2025  
June 11, 2025  
July 30, 2025  
August 13, 2025  
September – NO MEETING  
October 8, 2025 \*Option to add October 29<sup>th</sup> for investigative inquiries only  
November 12, 2025  
December 10, 2025

Motion by Dr. Logan, seconded by Dr. Adler to approve the amended 2025 meeting dates.

Motion passed unanimously.

ii. **AAVSB BYLAWS**

The AAVSB survey asks what can AAVSB do to get licensed vet techs in New Jersey.

The Board views this as a regulation change that would not protect the consumer.

Taken as informational.

iii. **BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS**

Nominations opened for Board President for 2025.

Motion by Dr. Adler, seconded by Dr. Bruno, to nominate Mark Logan for Board President.

Motion to close nominations made by Dr. Adler, seconded by Dr. Bruno.

Nominations opened for Board Secretary for 2025.

Motion by Dr. Logan, seconded by Dr. Adler, to nominate Dr. Beeber for Secretary.

Motion to close nominations for Board Secretary made by Dr. Bruno, seconded by Dr. Adler.

Nominations opened for Board Treasurer for 2025.

Motion by Dr. Logan, seconded by Dr. Bruno, to nominate Dr. Adler.

Motion to close nominations for Board Treasurer made by Dr. Bruno, seconded by Dr. Logan.

Motions pass unanimously.

2025 Board President: Dr. Logan

2025 Board Secretary: Dr. Beeber

2025 Board Treasurer: Dr. Adler

**Off agenda item:**

Dr. Adler made a motion to support Dr. Logan's nomination to a 2<sup>nd</sup> term for American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB) Board of Directors, seconded by Dr. Bruno.

It is noted the Board wants to have Dr. Logan nominated to a 2<sup>nd</sup> term for the AAVSB Board of Directors.

**V. OLD BUSINESS:**

None at this time.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS:**

None at this time.

## VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

None at this time.

## VIII. REGULATORY AFFAIRS:

- i. **Notice of Readoption: N.J.A.C. 13:44**  
(Nicole Parelli, Regulatory Analyst)

The Regulations have been re-adopted and will sunset on July 24, 2031. A post-sunset committee has not yet met.

Taken as informational.

- ii. **Proposed Rule Change: Consent for Veterinary Student Providing Veterinary Services 13:44-4.13**  
(Nicole Parelli, Regulatory Analyst)

Ms. Parelli read through the proposed rule change in the regulations for 'consent for veterinary student providing veterinary services'

Matthew Edson, Dean of Shreiber School of Veterinary Medicine of Rowan University thanked the Board for advancing these changes.

Motion by Dr. Bruno, seconded by Dr. Croman to approve consent for veterinary students to provide veterinarian services.

Motion passed unanimously.

## IX. CORRESPONDENCE:

- i. **Aaron Lopez – Introduction to Feline Infectious Peritonitis**

Some compounding pharmacies are not authorized to compound new pharmaceuticals for Female Infections Peritonitis (FIP) treatment. The Board recommends for pharmacies to present this issue to the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA).

Board staff will refer Mr. Lopez to the American Veterinary Medical Association.

- ii. **Mobile Vet Truck**
  - a. Janine Barone, Public Health Coordinator, Lyndhurst Health Department
  - b. Carrie Lee Cutruzzula, Office Administrator, Lyndhurst Building Department
  - c. Roni Wildoner, Bergen County SPCA

Correspondence submitted to the Board from Ms. Barone, Ms. Cutruzzula, and Ms. Wildoner concerning a mobile unit operation without approvals from the municipal government. This matter is not under the purview of the NJ State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners.

During discussion of this matter, Chris Salviano, construction official, Lyndhurst, asked if they are breaking any license rules. Mr. Salviano was advised to work with the Lyndhurst Health Department municipal official to conduct an inspection. If, after a municipal inspection, a problem is found to exist, submit a complaint to the Board.

#### X. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

i. **Michael Azarrello** - President, New Jersey Veterinary Technician Association

Mr. Azarrello provided no comment on the AAVSB motion and said if there is ever a path to licensure, “we would have to recognize those who have met the requirements without school”.

ii. **Rebecca Linke, V.M.D.**

Dr. Linke informed the Board she started law school. Dr. Logan advised Dr. Linke to join the AVMLA.

iii. **Matthew Edson** - Dean of Shreiber School of Veterinary Medicine

Dean Edson opened a conversation regarding graduates of international programs who obtained certification and how they might obtain licensure in New Jersey. The Board informed Dean Edson applications from international veterinarians who have obtained certification are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Their license will be restricted to the university, not private practice.

A request as made to discuss this matter further in committee.

A committee to discuss matters related to the Shreiber School of Veterinary Medicine was scheduled to meet on Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M. to include: Dean Edson, Board members: Dr. Bruno, Dr. Croman, Dr. Logan, DAG Lopez, and Regulatory Analyst Nicole Parelli.

#### XI. ADJOURNMENT:

The public portion of the meeting concluded at 11:23 A.M.

Dr. Bruno made a motion, seconded by Dr. Croman, for the Board to go into executive session to discuss matters exempt from the open public meetings act pursuant to N.J.S.A 10:4-12(b). The Board does not anticipate taking any public action today. The Board will not be returning to public session today. The next meeting is scheduled for October 30, 2024 at 10:00 A.M. Motion passed unanimously