

Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine
Wallace State Office Building, First Floor Conference Room
Open Meeting Minutes
May 30, 2024

Dr. Tom Burkgren, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with the following Board Members present: Ms. Sierra Hagedon, Ms. Sterling Meyer (by telephone), Dr. Yuko Sato, and Dr. Scott Shuey. Also, present were Mr. Jake Larson, Assistant Attorney General, Dr. Jeff Kaisand, Executive Secretary, Meghan Orr, Administrative Assistant, and Ginny Eason, staff. Ms. McKenzie Holmes is an intern working with Mr. Larson in the Attorney General's Office.

Absent

None

Guest(s)

Ben Nuelle, Iowa Pork Producers
Ryleigh Travers, Iowa Farm Bureau

Election of Board Chairperson

Dr. Shuey moved to nominate Dr. Tom Burkgren as Chair for the Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine. Motion was seconded by Dr. Sato. Motion approved unanimously.

New Board Member Orientation

Mr. Larson provided a brief overview of the New Board Member Orientation to Ms. Hagedon and as a refresher for the current Board Members.

Approval of the Agenda

Dr. Sato moved to approve the agenda for the May 30, 2024, Board Meeting. Motion was seconded by Dr. Shuey. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comment (Public comment period is open and limited to two minutes)

Mr. Nuelle stated the World Pork Expo is June 5-6, 2024, and hopes to see everyone there.

Ms. Travers stated she is a law clerk and working with Ms. Gruenhagen at the Iowa Farm Bureau.

Approval of the Open Meeting Minutes

Dr. Shuey moved to approve the Open Meeting Minutes of April 25, 2024. Motion was seconded by Dr. Sato. Motion approved unanimously.

Executive Secretary Report

Dr. Kaisand reported the Board's financial status for the current FY24 balance is \$212,124.94 as of April 30, 2024.

Dr. Kaisand reported Dr. Wheeler is meeting with Senator Ernst in northwest Iowa visiting a veterinary clinic and a farm site. The AVMA would like Senator Ernst and staff to be prepped on the Healthy Dog Importation Act and the Rural Veterinary Workforce Act.

Dr. Kaisand reported on the High Path Avian Influenza (HPAI) a 4 million commercial poultry site testing positive. The site will be finished depopulating today (Thursday, May 30, 2024).

Chairperson Report

No report.

Assistant Attorney General Report

No report.

Board Member Report

Dr. Sato stated Iowa State University Veterinary Diagnostic Lab (ISU VDL) is receiving calls inquiring about poultry exhibitions and wanted to know if the county fairs and state fair exhibitions will be cancelled for this year due to HPAI. Dr. Kaisand stated there has only been one positive site and that would not be reason to cancel the exhibitions for this year. Dr. Kaisand also stated the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship is notified as soon as possible regarding sites testing positive.

Dr. Sato inquired about dairy exhibitions at the state fair due to the positive testing of dairy products and HPAI. Dr. Kaisand stated discussions are being held regarding this issue. Dr. Sato stated another emerging infectious disease of concern is metapneumovirus.

Correspondence

The Veterinary Technician National Examination Testing Window April 1- 17, 2024, was reviewed by the Board Members and accepted as presented.

Petition for Waiver

None

Veterinary License/Veterinary Technician Registration Application(s)

None

Miscellaneous

None

Rulemaking/House/Senate Files

Mr. Larson stated the EO10, and the specific Administrative Rules are on the same track for publication of June 1, 2024, and approval would be effective July 1, 2024.

Dr. Sato moved to go into the Closed Meeting Session pursuant to Iowa code section 21.5(1)(a) to review complaint files where investigative information required by section 272C.6(4) to be kept confidential and 21.5(1)(d) to discuss whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigation or proceedings. Motion seconded by Dr. Shuey. Motion approved unanimously.

Roll call vote by Board Members: Dr. Burkgren, aye; Ms. Meyer, aye (by telephone); Dr. Sato, aye; Dr. Shuey, aye; Ms. Hagedon, aye nay – 0. Motion passed at 10:48 a.m.

Open Meeting Session

The Board reconvened into the Open Meeting Session at 11:43 a.m.

Action on Closed Meeting Session Sanctions

None

Continuing Education

The continuing education applications were reviewed by the Board Members for approval. Item 12 on the application is a requirement that must be completed for each application.

Requester	Meeting	Scientific	Mgmt.	Total Hrs.
Jessica Merk, DVM	CPR/AED training from Cardio Partners	2.5		2.5
Tim Smith, DVM	USDA Program Disease Field Skills Course (5.7-10.2024 Ames, IA)	21		21
Kristin Westergaard-Bladt, DVM	Practice Team Builder (3.21-22.2024 Clearwater, FL)		14	14
Chris Clark, DVM	Update for Veterinarians (6.25.2024 Chariton, IA)	5		5

Next Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting is Thursday, June 27, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room, Wallace State Office Building. Dr. Sato will not be available for the Board Meeting for the June Board Meeting.

Adjournment

Dr. Burkgren adjourned the Board Meeting at 11:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey J. Kaisand, DVM
Executive Secretary
Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine