

Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine  
Wallace State Office Building  
DNR Third Floor East & West Conference Room  
Open Session Meeting Minutes  
June 24, 2021

Dr. Dewayne Rahe called the Board Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with the following Board Members in attendance: Dr. Tom Burkgren; Dr. Dewayne Rahe; Dr. Yuko Sato, and Mrs. Ann Werner. Also present were Mr. Jacob Larson, Assistant Attorney General; Dr. Jeff Kaisand, DVM, Executive Secretary; Meghan Orr, Administrative Assistant; and Ginny Eason, staff.

Absent

Will Yoder

Guest(s)

Jenny Dorman, Legal Counsel, Iowa Veterinary Medical Association  
Chris Gruenhagen, Iowa Farm Bureau  
David Peck, Intern, Attorney General Office  
Kole Pederson, Iowa Farm Bureau  
Randy Wheeler, DVM, Executive Director, Iowa Veterinary Medical Association

Approval of the Agenda

Dr. Burkgren moved to approve the agenda for the June 24, 2021, Board Meeting. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Werner. Motion approved unanimously.

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

Dr. Wheeler and Mrs. Gruenhagen both stated it is very nice to be back to the in-person meetings and being able to attend as a guest.

Mrs. Gruenhagen addressed the Board Members regarding the proposed rule regarding the ethics guidelines and what is the Board's definition of behavior. Dr. Wheeler provided Mrs. Gruenhagen with additional information to review in the principles with supporting annotations section through the American Veterinary Medical Association Principle of Veterinary Medical Ethics. Dr. Burkgren and Dr. Wheeler stated the proposed guidelines are modeled after the American Veterinary Medical Association's ethics. Mrs. Gruenhagen stated the Iowa Farm Bureau will submit comments for review to the proposed rule.

Executive Secretary Report

Dr. Kaisand reported on the Foreign Animal Disease (FAD) Working Webinar on FAD Preparedness. There were 35 states, two (2) countries, and over 100 USDA officials that participated in the working webinar.

Dr. Kaisand stated in the FAD Preparedness Workshop there is a lot of discussion regarding certified samplers collecting the samples during a FAD outbreak. During the 2015 avian influenza outbreak there were many Iowa lay people collecting their own samples by swabbing dead birds. There is discussion now about funding through the National Pork Board (NPB). The NPB is working through some program material to train samplers during an outbreak, and in Iowa those individuals would do this under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian. Dr. Kaisand stated he thought there are individuals in Iowa

submitting samples under the veterinarian's name. In other states it was expressed this would be a violation of their code. Dr. Kaisand stated he did not think this would be a violation in the Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine Code and Rules. If the individual is working for the owner and not being paid a fee then it is not the practice of veterinary medicine. If the individual is doing this under the supervision of the licensed veterinarian then there is not a violation. If the individual was doing this for a fee then it would be the practice of veterinary medicine and would be a violation of Iowa Code and Rule. Dr. Kaisand stated there is a core training program being developed on how to train the certified samplers that would not be licensed veterinarians. If a company developed this business then the individual would have to be under the direct supervision of a licensed and accredited veterinarian. Mr. Larson stated the Board could develop a formal policy guidance or if an FAD outbreak occurred the Governor could issue a proclamation. The Governor could then suspend certain requirements upon the request from the Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine or from other groups then that would be the regulatory requirements if there is a need for certified veterinary samplers. This would otherwise be the practice of veterinary medicine.

Dr. Kaisand reported a licensed veterinarian contacted him regarding a foreign veterinary graduate that is in preparation for their final exam and asked what the individual would be able to perform at the veterinary clinic. Dr. Kaisand explained that the ECFVG Program through the American Veterinary Medical Association no longer requires the individual to attend their fourth year at an American Veterinary Medical Association accredited veterinary college. The ECFVG Program for fourth year veterinary students is a competency examination. An individual going through the PAVE Program through the American Association of Veterinary State Boards has to do their fourth year at an American Veterinary Medical Association accredited veterinary college. Dr. Kaisand asked the Board Members if they would like an overview of the two programs at the next Board Meeting.

The veterinarian at the clinic asked about Iowa Chapter 169.4.10. Would this individual be able to perform surgeries while at the clinic in preparation for the competency examination? The individual is not licensed, has not completed the ECFVG or the PAVE Program, and has not sat and passed the NAVLE examination.

169.4 License requirement and exceptions. A person may not practice veterinary medicine in the state who is not a licensed veterinarian or the holder of a valid temporary permit issued by the board. This chapter shall not be construed to prohibit: 10. A graduate of a foreign college of veterinary medicine who is in the process of obtaining an ECFVG certificate for performing duties or actions under the direction or supervision of a licensed veterinarian.

Dr. Kaisand wanted the Board Members to know this question was asked.

#### Chairperson Report

Dr. Rahe reported Dr. Chris Bean was elected to the Iowa Veterinary Medical Association Executive Board for District 5. Congratulations to Dr. Bean.

Dr. Rahe reported he attended the ARC Committee Zoom Meeting and answered questions regarding some proposed rule submissions.

#### Assistant Attorney General Report

Mr. Larson stated the ARC Committee is the legislative committee that addresses rules and reviews rules. If any Board Member receives any comments on the rules please forward those to Colin Todd, Legislative Liaison; Dr. Kaisand, and to Mr. Larson.

#### Board Member Report

No report.

### Correspondence

Dr. Wheeler reported on a phone call he received from a veterinarian inquiring about human chiropractors performing services on animals. The Board Members directed Dr. Wheeler to have the veterinarian contact the Iowa Board of Chiropractors as the Iowa Board of Veterinary Medicine does not have jurisdiction over non-veterinarians.

The Veterinary Technician National Examination Scores for May 1- May 31, 2021, were reviewed by the Board Members.

### Rulemaking/House/Senate Files

The proposed Statutory Changes for Veterinary Assistants 169.20 was discussed. The Board Members and Mr. Larson will work with the stakeholders and the legislative liaison in preparation for submission later in the year.

The proposed Rules for Veterinary/Client/Patient Relationships 811.12.1 was discussed. The Board Members made several changes to Section b. to read as follows:

The licensed veterinarian has sufficient knowledge of the patient to initiate at least a general or preliminary diagnosis of the medical condition of the patient. Sufficient knowledge means that the licensed veterinarian has recently seen or is personally acquainted with the care of the patient or by virtue of an physical examination of the patient or ~~by medically appropriate and timely~~ visits to the premises where the patient is kept within the past ~~at least once every~~ twelve (12) months ~~where the patient is kept~~; and

Dr. Burkgren moved to initiate the rule making as outlined in Agenda Item 7b, Veterinary/Client/Patient Relationships. Motion was seconded by Dr. Sato. Motion approved unanimously.

### Miscellaneous

Telemedicine – no changes

Virtual Meetings – no changes

Dr. Wheeler thanked Mrs. Gruenhagen for stating her concerns that she addressed regarding the proposed rules for the ethic guidelines. The annotations listed in the Principles of Veterinary Medical Ethics does help with the definitions regarding emergencies and Veterinary Client Patient Relationship.

Mrs. Werner moved to go into Closed Session (closed session pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(a) to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential or to be kept confidential as a condition for that governmental body's possession and 21.5(1)(d) to discuss the contents of a licensing examination or whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigations or proceedings if the governmental body is a licensing or examining board). Motion seconded by Dr. Burkgren.

Roll call vote by Board Members: Dr. Burkgren, aye; Dr. Rahe, aye; Dr. Sato, and Mrs. Werner, aye nay – 0. Motion passed at 10:59 a.m.

Open Meeting Session

The Board reconvened into the Open Meeting Session at 12:58 p.m.

Action on Closed Meeting Session Sanctions

Mrs. Werner moved to close case 21-007. Motion was seconded by Dr. Burkgren. Motion carried unanimously.

Review of Veterinary Licensing / Veterinary Technician Registration Applications per HF2627

The license application Verification by Licensure/Registration had an administrative clarification made to the form. The licensure fee for the veterinarian and registration fee for the veterinary technician was omitted when presented to the Board Members for review and approval in December 2020. The fees are posted in the form.

Continuing Education

The continuing education applications were reviewed by the Board Members for approval.

<b>CEU Requester</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Scientific</b>	<b>Mgmt.</b>	<b>Total Hours</b>
Teresa Farrell	Wellness for New Veterinarians (5.14.2021 Ames, IA)		4	4
Brent Henningsen	Nutritional Basics (5.13.2021 Webex)	1		1
Stacie Matchan	Iowa Swine Day 2021 (6.24.2021 Ames, IA)	4.5	4.5	9
Ameilia Dohlman	Electrolyte Emergencies: Electrolyte Disturbance Part 1: Potassium & Sodium (7.12.2021 Ames, IA)	1		1
Ameilia Dohlman	Electrolyte Disturbance Part 2: Calcium, Chloride, Phosphorous & Magnesium (7.19.2021 Ames, IA)	1		1
Danelle Bickett-Weddle, DVM	FAD Control Areas, Secure Pork Supply, and the Permitting Procession Iowa (Virtual)	1		1

Dr. Rahe reported he attended an American Association of Veterinary State Boards Finance Committee Meeting held in Maine in June 2021. Dr. Rahe also stated that if a Board Member would like to attend the American Association of Veterinary State Boards Annual Meeting to please register. The meetings are very informative and beneficial to all Board Members.

Next Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting is July 29, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Tentatively scheduled to meet in the DNR 3E & 3W Conference Room due to renovations in the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship offices.

The September Board Meeting is rescheduled for September 28, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment

Dr. Burkgren moved to adjourn the Board Meeting at 2:07 p.m. Motion seconded by Dr. Sato. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey J. Kaisand, DVM  
Executive Secretary