

MINNESOTA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
2829 University Ave. SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414
Conference Room A, Fourth Floor

AGENDA – BOARD MEETING

May 11, 2005

2:30 p.m.

1. Call to order
2. Minutes of last meeting
3. Meeting closed for disciplinary deliberations
4. Reopen
5. License suspensions
6. NAVLE results
7. Review and approval of license applications
8. AAVSB and NBVME update - Dr. Glattly
9. Budget update
10. Drive to Excellence
11. Legislative Update
 - Equine teeth floating
 - Meth bill
 - Plans for 2006:
 - PAVE
 - Collect for CE approval and license verifications
12. CE - interactive vs. non-interactive
13. Requests for waiver of late fee
14. CE variance request
15. Election of officers
16. New business
 - Computer records
17. Executive Director Report
18. Adjourn

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING, May 11, 2005

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Meg Glattly, Ms. Lynn Green, Dr. John Lawrence, Dr. Fred Mehr, Dr. Lorna Reichl, Dr. Joanne Schulman

EXCUSED: Ms. Susan Osman

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. John King and Donna Carolus, Staff; Susan Damon, Attorney General's Office; Dr. Scott Jacobson

The Board of Veterinary Medicine met on May 11, 2005, in Conference Room A, Fourth Floor, University Park Plaza, 2829 University Ave. SE, Minneapolis, MN. President Joanne Schulman called the meeting to order at 2 p.m.

Minutes of the February 2, 2005 meeting were approved as written.

Dr. King distributed a list of licensees who did not renew their licenses. A roll call vote was taken to suspend for nonpayment all licenses on the list. Motion passed unanimously.

Of twenty-two applicants approved by the Minnesota Board for the April NAVLE, nine failed. Beginning with the Fall NAVLE, the new national policy will limit candidates to five attempts to pass the exam.

Dr. King distributed a list of applicants who have met the requirements for licensure. Dr. Lawrence moved and Dr. Mehr seconded to approve all candidates for licensure. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Glattly reported on AAVSB and NBVME activities.

Dr. King gave an update on the Fiscal Year 2005 budget. Dr. Lawrence moved and Dr. Mehr seconded to authorize Dr. King to obtain verbal approval from the board president rather than full board approval for any end-of-year expenditures over \$3000. Passed unanimously.

Dr. King reported on the Governor's Drive to Excellence. A \$5 surcharge per license and \$10 per professional firm is being instituted to fund the "one-stop shop" for licensing.

LEGISLATION

Dr. King gave an update on the House and Senate bills that exclude equine dentistry from the practice act. It appears the amendment will be going to a conference committee soon and will probably be attached to an omnibus bill.

Dr. Schulman reported on a request from a Wisconsin veterinarian encouraging Minnesota to allow animal chiropractic by non-veterinarians. No action was taken.

During the 2006 legislative session, the Board will propose changes to allow PAVE for licensure and to charge fees for CE sponsor approvals and license verifications. Ms. Damon recommended also a statute clarification on how soon discipline in another state has to be reported. The issue of poison control centers may also require legislation. Dr. King will seek guidance on these issues at the AAVSB meeting in September.

The methamphetamine bill that's expected to pass will require the Board of Veterinary Medicine to conduct a study on the manufacture and distribution of all drugs used in veterinary medicine that contain ephedrine and pseudoephedrine.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Dr. Schulman and Dr. Lawrence submitted for approval a clarification of the Board's interpretation of interactive vs. non-interactive continuing education. The Board agreed to adopt the following language as policy:

Interactive on-line courses shall provide:

- an ongoing, scheduled, interactive experience for the participants by providing timely access to and utilization of both technical personnel and professional faculty as well as inter-activity among participants
- a mechanism to document a minimum level of participation and the ability to be flexible and supplement the participant's learning experience in response to the individual and collective students' progress and feedback on a day-to-day basis during the course period
- electronic security measures and reliable technology
- email and website address information and access to the site, if requested
- if your online-delivered program is NOT interactive as described above, then it is considered non-interactive or passive CE.

Other interactive CE courses are:

- seminars, lectures and wetlabs

Non-interactive (passive)

- independent self-study courses that include such methods of delivery as cassette tapes, videotapes, CDs, correspondence online CE, audioconference and journal reading with or without tests.

Two licensees requested waiver of renewal late fees. Dr. Glattly moved to waive the late fee of Dr. Cheryl Dhein. Motion was not seconded. Dr. Lawrence moved denial. Ms. Green seconded. Motion passed 3-2 to deny. Ms. Green moved to deny waiver of late fee for Dr. Joseph Mollenkopf; Dr. Lawrence seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. John Anderson requested a variance on the CE requirement so he can continue to do limited part-time work doing health inspections at a livestock auction market. Dr. Reichl moved and Ms. Green seconded to deny the variance. Dr. Anderson currently has an extension until 8/29/05 to complete the CE. Motion passed unanimously to deny the variance.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Dr. Schulman was nominated for and elected to continue to serve as president. Dr. Reichl was nominated and elected to continue to serve as vice president. Dr. Mehr was nominated and elected to continue to serve as secretary-treasurer.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held on computerized medical records. Computer records must include the same information that is required in any other medical records. It was suggested that a second article be put in the MVMA newsletter and also on the board website.

A request for waiver of national examination was received from an out-of-state applicant whose NBE score in 1990 was slightly below Minnesota's passing point; the NBE is no longer administered. Dr. Glattly moved waiving the national exam requirement. Ms. Green seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Scott Jacobson, a Ross University graduate who holds a temporary license pending completion of the ECFVG certification, requested an extension of his temporary license. The AVMA has been unable to schedule the CPE until September while his temporary license expires 6/10/05. Following discussion, Ms. Damon stated that an extension cannot be given and once his temporary license expires, Dr. Jacobson will not be able to practice until he completes the certification.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

The five-time limit for taking the NAVLE was approved. Ms. Damon stated this change should be put in statute.

Dr. King asked if any board members would be interested in applying for the AAVSB board of directors. Dr. Schulman's name will be submitted to the nominating committee.

The AAVSB annual meeting is September 8-11 in Kansas City. Dr. Glattly will attend as an NBVME member. Dr. King and possibly Donna Carolus will attend; board members should let Dr. King know if they are interested in attending. If no other board member attends, Dr. King will be designated as voting delegate.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15.

Fred Mehr, DVM
Secretary-Treasurer