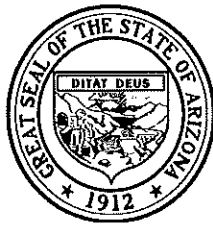


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### MINUTES

January 15, 2025 at 8:30am

1740 W. Adams Street, Board Room B

Phoenix, Arizona 85007

**Members Present:** Ms. Jane Soloman, Dr. Craig Nausley, Dr. Robyn Jaynes, Dr. Greg Byrne, Dr. Melissa Thompson, and Ms. Nikki Frost, CVT.

**Members Absent:** Dr. Darren Wright

**Staff and Legal Counsel Present:** Ms. Victoria Whitmore, Executive Director; Mr. Marc Harris, AAG (Assistant Attorney General); Ms. Tracy Riendeau, CVT, Investigations (via Google Meets); and Kiefer Chakmakian, Board Staff.

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Roll call: Dr. Jaynes at 8:40 am.

### II. INITIAL INVESTIGATIVE REVIEW AND ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING CASES

#### 1. 25-14, In Re: Kathleen Backus, DVM

Dr. Backus was present with attorney Dominique Barrett. Ms. Barrett made statements on behalf of Dr. Backus. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Ms. Frost to schedule this matter to an **Informal Interview**. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 2. 25-16, In Re: Michele Estheimer, DVM

Attorney David Stoll was present to monitor. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Frost and seconded by Ms. Soloman to accept the Investigative Committee's recommendation and **dismiss** this issue with no violation. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 3. 25-19, In Re: Christine Siems, DVM

Attorney Renna DeVoll was present to monitor. Mr. Randy Jones was present and made statements. Ms. Jennifer Jones was present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Dr. Nausley to schedule this matter to an **Informal Interview**. Motion passed unanimously.

**4. 25-20, In Re: Jill Starks, DVM**

Attorney Renna DeVoll was present to monitor. Mr. Randy Jones was present and made statements. Ms. Jennifer Jones was present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Dr. Nausley to schedule this matter to an **Informal Interview**. Motion passed unanimously.

**5. 25-21, In Re: Anna Wilkins, DVM**

Attorney Renna DeVoll was present to monitor. Mr. Randy Jones was present and made statements. Ms. Jennifer Jones was present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Dr. Nausley to schedule this matter to an **Informal Interview**. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. 25-22, In Re: Coyne Hopey, VMD**

Attorney Renna DeVoll was present to monitor. Mr. Randy Jones was present and made statements. Ms. Jennifer Jones was present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Dr. Nausley to schedule this matter to an **Informal Interview**. Motion passed unanimously.

**7. 25-23, In Re: Emma Houlton, DVM**

Attorney Renna DeVoll was present to monitor. Mr. Randy Jones was present and made statements. Ms. Jennifer Jones was present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Dr. Nausley to schedule this matter to an **Informal Interview**. Motion passed unanimously.

**8. 25-24, In Re: Megan Helgeson, BVM&S**

Attorney Renna DeVoll was present to monitor. Ms. Marcia Lindquist was present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Ms. Soloman to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation and **dismiss** this issue with no violation. Motion passed unanimously.

**9. 25-25, In Re: Lauren Parker, DVM**

Attorney Renna DeVoll was present to monitor. Ms. Marcia Lindquist was present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Dr. Thompson to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation and **dismiss** this issue with no violation. Motion passed unanimously.

**10. 25-26, In Re: Alyssa Thomas, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation and **dismiss** this issue with no violation. Motion passed unanimously.

**11. 25-27, In Re: Ann Goldhammer, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Ms. Soloman to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation and **dismiss** this issue with no violation. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 nay (Dr. Nausley).

**12. 25-28, In Re: Danielle Minick, DVM**

Attorney Renna DeVoll was present to monitor. Mr. and Mrs. Marks were present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and

seconded by Ms. Soloman to accept the Investigative Committee's recommendation and **dismiss** this issue with no violation. Motion passed unanimously.

**13. 25-29, In Re: Kyrstina Lee, DVM**

Mr. and Mrs. Marks were present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Ms. Soloman to accept the Investigative Committee's recommendation and **dismiss** this issue with no violation. Motion passed unanimously.

**14. 25-30, In Re: Brandi Mattison, DVM**

Attorney Renna DeVoll was present to monitor. Mr. and Mrs. Marks were present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to schedule this matter for an **Informal Interview**. Motion passed unanimously.

**15. 25-31, In Re: Timothy Betkowski, DVM**

Attorney Renna DeVoll was present to monitor. Mr. and Mrs. Marks were present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to schedule this matter for an **Informal Interview**. Motion passed unanimously.

**16. 25-32, In Re: Anna Wilkins, DVM**

Attorney Renna DeVoll was present to monitor. Mr. and Mrs. Marks were present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Ms. Soloman to accept the Investigative Committee's recommendation and **dismiss** this issue with no violation. Motion passed unanimously.

**17. 25-33, In Re: Enrico Carluen, DVM**

Attorney Renna DeVoll was present to monitor. Mr. and Mrs. Marks were present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Ms. Soloman to accept the Investigative Committee's recommendation and **dismiss** this issue with no violation. Motion passed unanimously.

**18. 25-34, In Re: Dana Caldwell, DVM**

Attorney Renna DeVoll was present to monitor. Mr. and Mrs. Marks were present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Ms. Soloman to accept the Investigative Committee's recommendation and **dismiss** this issue with no violation. Motion passed unanimously.

**III. INFORMAL INTERVIEWS - BOARD DELIBERATION AND ACTION**

**1. 24-136, In Re: Cora Zenko, DVM**

Dr. Zenko was present with attorney David Stoll, made statements and answered questions. Ms. Kelsey Pury was present, made statements and answered questions.

- At 12:08pm, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Dr. Byrne, to go into executive session for legal advice.
- At 12:18pm, the Board entered back into open session.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Dr. Byrne to dismiss this issue with no violation and issue Dr. Zenko a **Letter of Concern** with respect to the premises not advising the pet owner of what had occurred. Motion passed unanimously.

## **2. 24-134, In Re: Kelly Pettinger, DVM**

Dr. Pettinger was present with attorney Sara Stark, made statements and answered questions. Ms. Yvonne Maggio was present, made statements and answered questions. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Ms. Soloman to find Dr. Pettinger in violation of ARS §32-2232 (12) as it relates to AAC R3-11-501 (1) failure to provide professionally acceptable procedures by placing the cat in the pet owner's travel bag, then inside a kennel, immediately following surgery for post-op recovery following anesthesia without proper monitoring. **Motion failed 3 ayes (Dr. Nausley, Ms. Soloman, Ms. Frost), 3 nays (Dr. Thompson, Dr. Byrne, Dr. Jaynes).**

After further discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Dr. Thompson, to dismiss this issue with no violation and issue a Letter of Concern for placing the cat in the transport bad during recovery inhibiting post-op monitoring. **Motion failed 3 ayes (Dr. Thompson, Dr. Byrne, Dr. Jaynes), 3 nays (Dr. Thompson, Dr. Byrne, Dr. Jaynes).**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Dr. Byrne, to postpone the matter to a future Board meeting when additional Board members will be present. **Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 nay (Ms. Frost).**

## **3. 25-06, In Re: Emily Ozmun, DVM**

Dr. Byrne was recused. Dr. Ozmun was present with attorney David Stoll, made statements and answered questions. Mr. Michael Herbert was present, made statements and answered questions. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Ms. Soloman to dismiss this issue with no violation and issue a **Letter of Concern** with respect to ensuring compliance with the Veterinary Practice Act, including providing estimates for services to pet owners. Motion passed unanimously.

## **4. 25-07, In Re: Wendy Patterson, DVM**

Dr. Byrne was recused. Dr. Patterson was present with attorney David Stoll, made statements and answered questions. Mr. Michael Herbert was present, made statements and answered questions. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Ms. Soloman to dismiss this issue with no violation and issue a **Letter of Concern** with respect to having premises policies in place to ensure a veterinarian is involved or contacts a pet owner when they have questions or concerns. Motion passed unanimously.

## **5. 25-08, In Re: Tammy Watt, CVT**

Dr. Byrne was recused. Dr. Patterson was present with attorney David Stoll, made statements and answered questions. Mr. Michael Herbert was present, made statements and answered questions. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Ms. Soloman to **dismiss** this issue with no violation Motion passed unanimously.

**6. 24-146: In Re: Kelly Baxter, DVM – Continuance of Informal Interview of December 11, 2024, for the purpose of receiving additional information and reviewing possible action to approve proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and adopting an Order.**

Attorney Lynette Odom was present and made statements on Dr. Baxter's behalf. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Ms. Soloman to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as drafted and issue Dr. Baxter an Order that includes a period of **Probation for 1-year** to obtain an additional **three (3) hours of continuing education** in addition to the statutory requirements to maintain licensure. Those three (3) hours shall be in **Client Communication**. Motion passed unanimously.

**7. 24-129: In Re: Toni Barnes, DVM – Continuance of Informal Interview of December 11, 2024, for the purpose of receiving additional information and reviewing possible action to approve proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and adopting an Order.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Ms. Soloman to adopt the Findings of Fact as drafted. Motion passed unanimously.

After further discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Ms. Soloman to adopt the Conclusions of Law as drafted. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Ms. Soloman to **table** the matter to a future Board meeting to obtain additional information. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **IV. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OF PREVIOUS ACTIONS**

**1. 24-54: In Re: Erin Miracle, DVM. Monthly appearance as required by Consent Agreement. Board may review, discuss, and take action on information provided which may include modification of Consent Agreement.**

Dr. Miracle was present, made statements and answered questions, in compliance with her Consent Agreement.

**2. 23-80: In Re: Dawn Hunsberger, VMD. Monthly appearance as required by Interim Consent Agreement. Board may review, discuss, and take action on information provided, including review of compliance with Interim Consent Agreement.**

Dr. Nausley was recused. Dr. Hunsberger was present, made statements, and answered questions, in compliance with her Consent Agreement.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to approve Dr. Hunsberger's request to discontinue therapy based on the therapist's recommendation. Motion passed unanimously.

**3. 23-136: In Re: Estevan Fernandez, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on continuing education completion certificates submitted in compliance with Board Order and may return license to Active status.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Dr. Byrne to accept Dr. Fernandez's CE completion submitted in compliance with his Board Order and return his license back to Active status. Motion passed unanimously.

**4. 24-78: In Re: Kellie Shamrell, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on continuing education completion certificates submitted in compliance with Consent Agreement.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Dr. Thompson to accept Dr. Shamrell's CE completion submitted in compliance with her Consent Agreement. A premises inspection still needs to be completed to ensure compliance before returning her license to Active status. Motion passed unanimously.

**5. 24-106: In Re: Jorge Pineiro, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Continuing Education plan submitted in compliance with Consent Agreement and may review, discuss and take action on compliance with requirement to reimburse client.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Dr. Thompson to accept Dr. Pineiro's CE plan submitted in compliance with his Consent Agreement. Dr. Pineiro has reimbursed the pet owner as required. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. 24-53: In Re: Hugo Santibanez, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Practice Monitor Report and Respondent's updated procedures. Action may be taken to restore or otherwise modify Respondent's privileges to perform surgical and anesthetic procedures.**

Dr. Santibanez was present with attorney Flynn Carey, who made statements and answered questions on Dr. Santibanez's behalf. Practice Monitor Kati Carpenter, CVT was present telephonically, made statements and answered questions.

**7. 24-101: In Re: John McWhirter, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on request to modify Continuing Education plan.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Dr. Thompson to approve Dr. McWhirter's request to modify his CE plan. Motion passed unanimously.

**8. 19-71: In Re: Celeste Roy, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on request to be excused from testing.**

Dr. Roy was present telephonically, made statements and answered questions. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Dr. Thompson to approve Dr. Roy's request to be excused from testing. Motion passed unanimously.

**9. 24-96: In Re: Michael Rice, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on completion of continuing education in compliance with Board Order and may return license to Active status.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to approve Dr. Rice's CE completion in compliance with his Board Order and return his license back to Active status. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 absent (Ms. Soloman).

**10. 24-08: In Re: Dwight Benesh, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Practice Monitor Report submitted in compliance with Consent Agreement and may take action to address deficiencies noted.**

Attorney Courtney Sullivan was present and made statements of behalf of Dr. Benesh. No action taken.

**11. 24-148: In Re: Wayne Lipovitch, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Continuing Education plan submitted in compliance with Consent Agreement.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Frost and seconded by Dr. Byrne to accept Dr. Lipovitch's CE plan submitted in compliance with his Consent Agreement. Motion passed unanimously.

**12. 24-62: In Re: Jarrod Dorsey, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on completion of Continuing Education as required by Board Order and may return license to active status.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Ms. Soloman to accept Dr. Dorsey's CE completion in compliance with his Board Order and return his license back to Active status. Motion passed unanimously.

**13. 24-131: In Re: Scot Diskin, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Continuing Education Plan and list of proposed facilities to observe surgeries as required by Consent Agreement.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Dr. Nausley to approve Dr. Diskin's list of proposed facilities to observe surgeries in compliance with his Consent Agreement excluding the three (3) Humane Society locations. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 absent (Ms. Soloman). After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Dr. Thompson to approve Dr. Diskin's Continuing Education Plan. Motion passed unanimously.

**14. 19-71: In Re: Celeste Roy, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on recommendation from healthcare provider to release Dr. Roy from terms of Consent Agreement ahead of schedule.**

Dr. Roy was present telephonically, made statements and answered questions.

- At 11:01am, after discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Dr. Byrne to go into executive session for legal advice. Motion passed unanimously.
- At 11:06am, the Board entered back into open session.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to release Dr. Roy from the terms of her Consent Agreement ahead of schedule. Motion passed unanimously.

**15. 24-46: In Re: Ivory Wildflower, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on completion of continuing education as required by Board Order and per November 20, 2024 vote, may dismiss case and issue a Letter of Concern.**

Dr. Thompson was recused. Attorney Flynn Carey was present and made statements on Dr. Wildflower's behalf. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Ms. Soloman to dismiss this issue with no violation and issue a Letter of Concern with respect to reminding the licensee that it is her responsibility to indicate the pre-medication provider with specificity and to comply with all record requests in accordance with the Board's statutes and rules. The Board's resolution of this matter is subject to the dismissal of the Superior Court case. Motion passed unanimously.

## **V. REPORTS, CORRESPONDENCE, REFERRALS AND OTHER BUSINESS**

### **1. Board may review, discuss, and take action on veterinary license renewals:**

#### **a. Cynthia Tak Liang Tom, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Ms. Soloman to approve Dr. Tom's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **b. Jennifer Siess, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to approve Dr. Siess's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **c. Ashley Hetak, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to approve Dr. Hetak's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **d. Kimberly I. Thomas, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to approve Dr. Thomas's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **e. Kristen Holcomb-Wallace, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Ms. Soloman to approve Dr. Holcomb-Wallace's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **f. Joshua Harvey, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Ms. Soloman to approve Dr. Harvey's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **g. Ayman Ibrahim, DVM**

- At 4:26pm, after discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Ms. Soloman to go into executive session for legal advice. Motion passed unanimously.
  
- At 4:32pm, the Board entered back into open session.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Ms. Soloman to continue this matter to a future Board meeting to request Dr. Ibrahim to appear before the Board. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **h. Aimee Wong, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to approve Dr. Wong's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **i. Christopher Lee, DVM**



After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to approve Dr. Lee's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

**j. Kristina Casper, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to approve Dr. Casper's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

**k. Amy Mitchell, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Ms. Soloman to approve Dr. Mitchell's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

**l. Dee Thornell, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Ms. Soloman to approve Dr. Thornell's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

**m. Catherine Dell'Orto, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Ms. Soloman to approve Dr. Tom's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

**n. Teresa McCollum, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to approve Dr. McCollum's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

**o. Gabriel Cox, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to approve Dr. Cox's veterinary license renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

**2. Board may review, discuss, and take action on CVT certificate renewals:**

**a. Garrett Bishop, CVT**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Dr. Nausley to approve CVT Bishop's certificate renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

**3. Board may review, discuss, and take action on continuing education waiver requests:**

**a. Heather Reidy, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Dr. Byrne to approve Dr. Reidy's continuing education waiver request for up to one year. Motion passed unanimously.

**4. Board may review, discuss, and take action on veterinary license renewals for individuals who did not complete required continuing education by December 31, 2024 as required.**

**a. Edward Durham, CVT**

- b. Susan Logan, CVT
- c. Geoff Stein, DVM
- d. Melissa Glanz, CVT
- e. Michelle Marinich, DVM
- f. Natasha Hopkins, CVT
- g. Michael Robinson, DVM
- h. Shannon McCasland, CVT
- i. Robert Foglia, DVM
- j. Kori Borns, CVT
- k. Suzanne Maki, DVM
- l. Yolanda Kelly-Miller, CVT
- m. Frederic David, DVM
- n. Lisa Riley, CVT
- o. Ana Dolores Cortinas, DVM
- p. Kerry Gillooly, DVM
- q. Amy Coy, DVM
- r. Devon Weigt, CVT
- s. Nicole Kelly, CVT
- t. Alyssa Butler, DVM

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Dr. Nausley, **removing item g. and k.**, to grant the above renewal for individuals who did not complete required continuing education by December 31, 2024 as required an additional 30 days to complete their CE. CE must be completed by 1/31/25. Motion passed unanimously.

**g.** See Agenda item V. #10. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Frost and seconded by Dr. Jaynes, to combine all matters and open an investigation. Motion passed unanimously.

**k.** Dr. Nausley was recused. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Byrne and seconded by Ms. Soloman to grant Dr. Maki an additional 30 days to complete her CE. CE must be completed by 1/31/25. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 recusal (Dr. Nauseley).

**5. Board may review discuss and take action on possible unlicensed practitioner Tierney Sheffer.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Dr. Nausley to take no action due to law enforcement investigating the matter. Motion passed unanimously.

**6. Board may review discuss and take action on possible unlicensed practitioner/premises The Pitbull Store.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Ms. Soloman to send The Pitbull Store an unlicensed premises letter. Motion passed unanimously.

**7. Board may review, discuss, and take action on American Association of Veterinary State Boards Call for Bylaws Amendments.**

No action.

**8. Board may review, discuss, and take action on American Association of Veterinary State Boards Call for Nominations.**

No action.

**9. Board may review, discuss, and take action veterinary application for:**

**a. Sukhmani Bhullar, DVM**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Frost and seconded by Dr. Byrne to approve Dr. Bhullar's veterinary application. Motion passed unanimously.

**10. Board may review, discuss, and take action on the following matters re: Michael Robinson, DVM.**

**a. Failure to timely report past charges per A.R.S. § 32-3208.**

**b. Case 25-12 consent agreement offered.**

**c. Case 24-152 consent agreement offered.**

**d. Information from Pima County Animal Care Center regarding possible failure to provide medical records as requested.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Frost and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to combine all matters, including Agenda item V. #4. g., and open an investigation. Motion passed unanimously.

**11. Board may review, discuss, and take action on 2024 Equal Opportunity Report and 2025 Non-Discrimination Policy.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Nausley and seconded by Dr. Byrne to approve the 2024 Equal Opportunity Report and 2025 Non-Discrimination Policy. Motion passed unanimously.

**12. Board may review, discuss, and take action on 2024 Public Body Annual Report of Lobbying Activity.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to approve the 2024 Public Body Annual Report of Lobbying Activity. Motion passed unanimously.

**13. Board may review, discuss, and take action on request from San Diego County Veterinary Medical Association to approve the SDCVMA Spring 2025 conference for continuing education credit for Arizona licensees.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Dr. Byrne to approve six (6) CE hours per day from the SDCVMA Spring 2025 conference for continuing education credit for Arizona licensees. Motion passed unanimously.

**14. Assistant Attorney General Report:**

**a. Update: CA-CV 24-0109 (Combined Cases 22-136 and 23-03), Re: Maya Bellapianta, DVM. Arizona Court of Appeals final action.**

Mr. Harris reviewed with the Board the Arizona Court of Appeals Memorandum Decision in CA-CV 24-0109 (Combined Cases 22-136 and 23-03), Re: Maya Bellapianta, DVM.

**15. Board may review, discuss, and take action on veterinary technician certificate application:**

**a. Rachel Gushert**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Frost and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to approve applicant Gushert's CVT application. Motion passed unanimously.

**16. Board may review, discuss, and take action on review of licensing fees report.**

Ms. Whitmore updated the Board with respect to the licensing fees report.

**17. Board may review, discuss, and take action on veterinary licensee and Certified Veterinary Technician certificate holders who make requests after January 10, 2025 for continuing education extensions related to license/certificate renewals for the 2025-2026 cycle.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Frost and seconded by Ms. Soloman to approve veterinary licensees and CVTs who make requests after January 10, 2025 for CE extensions related to renewals for the 2025 – 2026 renewal cycle. The extension granted until 1/31/25. Motion passed unanimously.

## **VI. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. November 20, 2024 Regular Session**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Dr. Byrne to approve the November 20, 2024 Regular Session minutes. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention (Dr. Jaynes).

**2. November 20, 2024 Executive Session**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Dr. Nausley to approve the November 20, 2024 Executive Session minutes. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention (Dr. Jaynes).

**3. December 11, 2024 Regular Session**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Dr. Byrne to approve the December 11, 2024 Regular Session minutes. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention (Ms. Frost).

## **VII. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. Approval of Premises Licenses** – Responsible Veterinarian listed

1. R4610: Renegar Mobile Veterinary Services. Address Change. Brian Renegar, DVM.
2. R4613: Walmart Pet Services #3241 - Glendale. New Premises. Heather Venkat, DVM.
3. R4614: Walmart Pet Services #2671 – Chandler. New Premises. Heather Venkat, DVM.
4. R4616: Tree of Life Exotic Pet Medical Center. New Premises. Heather Bjornebo, DVM.
5. R4618: McGee Veterinary Service LLC. New Premises. Geoffrey McGee, DVM.
6. R4620: Wickenburg Veterinary Clinic. New Responsible Veterinarian. Kelly Pettinger, DVM.
7. R4622: The Parker Project. Address Change. Karter Neal, DVM.
8. R4623: BluePearl Operations, LLC. Address Change. Billie Ciotti, DVM.
9. R4624: Scottsdale Cat Clinic. New Responsible Veterinarian. Jennifer Koenig, DVM.
10. R4625: Leo Veterinary Clinic. New Premises. Felicitas Tantiyatyanon, DVM.

11. R4630: Petfolk of Scottsdale. New Premises. Johanna DeKing, DVM.
12. R4631: Veterinary Specialty Center of Tucson. New Responsible Veterinarian. Ash Chirco, DVM.
13. R4632: Banfield Pet Hospital #5258. New Responsible Veterinarian. Andrea Murrieta, DVM.
14. R4633: Urgent Pet Prescott, LLC. Ownership Change. Amie Dow, DVM.
15. R4634: Yavapai Emergency Animal Hospital, LLC. Ownership Change. Amie Dow, DVM.
16. R4636: Desert Forest Animal Hospital. New Responsible Veterinarian. Danielle Simons, DVM.
17. R4637: Deer Creek Animal Hospital. New Responsible Veterinarian. Brandon Balsino, DVM.
18. R4638: UrgentVet. New Responsible Veterinarian. Vinod Sontineni, DVM.
19. R4644: Luxe.Vet. New Premises. Jamie Lenberg, DVM.
20. R4649: United Animal Friend's Snip n' Go Clinic. New Responsible Veterinarian. Tandra Sherlock, DVM.

**A (1), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12), (13), (14), (15), (16), (17), (18), (19), and (20) were removed from the Consent Agenda.**

**Approval of Premises Licenses granted.**

**B. Approval of Random Premises Inspections** – Responsible Veterinarian listed

1. R1458: Desert Cross Veterinary Hospital. Deborah Chapman, DVM.

**Approval of Random Premises Inspections granted.**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Ms. Soloman to **approve** the Consent Agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

**Items Removed From The Consent Agenda:**

**A (18).**

Application withdrawn.

**A (8), (11), (17), and (19).**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Ms. Soloman to approve the above premises **pending compliance**. Motion passed unanimously.

**A (14) and (15).**

Ms. Frost was recused. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Ms. Soloman to approve the above premises **pending inspection and compliance**. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 recusal (Ms. Frost).

**A (1), (6), (7), (9), (10), (12), (13), (16) and (20).**

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Dr. Byrne to approve the above premises **pending inspection and compliance**. Motion passed unanimously.

**VIII. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

No summary of current events.

**IX. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

No member of the public requested to speak.

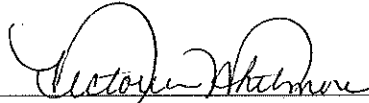
**X. ESTABLISHMENT OF FUTURE MEETING DATE**

The next regular meeting will be held on **Wednesday, February 19, 2025**, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at 1740 W. Adams Street, Board Room "B," Phoenix, Arizona, 85007. One or more Board members may appear electronically/telephonically.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 5:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Victoria Whitmore", written over a horizontal line.

Victoria Whitmore, Executive Director