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MINUTES

September 20, 2023 at 8:30am

1740 W. Adams Street, Board Room B

Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Members Present: Dr. Robyn Jaynes, Ms. Jane Soloman, Mr. Jim Loughead (arrived at 8:45am), Ms. Nikki Frost, CVT, Ms. Jessica Creager, and Dr. Darren Wright (appeared telephonically; disconnected at 12:20pm).

Members Absent: Dr. Melissa Thompson, Dr. Craig Nausley, and Dr. Greg Byrne.

Staff and Legal Counsel Present: Ms. Victoria Whitmore, Executive Director; Ms. Elizabeth Campbell, AAG (Assistant Attorney General); and Ms. Tracy Riendeau, CVT, Senior Medical Investigator; Annelise VanSchoelandt, Premises Compliance Specialist; and Todd Mannon, Premises Compliance Specialist.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Roll call: Dr. Jaynes at 8:33am.

II. INITIAL INVESTIGATIVE REVIEW AND ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING CASES

1. 23-106, In Re: Steven DeCamp, DVM

Attorney David Stoll was present to monitor. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Mr. Loughead to modify the Investigative Committee's recommendation and dismiss this issue with no violation and issue a **Letter of Concern** with respect to recommending Respondent review premises policies and procedures on the appropriate level of restraint, especially in breathing challenged patients, and consideration of chemical restraint versus physical restraint; and the possible influence of long-term ramifications of a dog's behavior. Roll call: Ms. Soloman, nay; Dr. Jaynes, aye; Ms. Creager, aye; Mr. Loughead, aye; Dr. Wright, aye; and Ms. Frost, nay. Motion passed 4 ayes, 2 nays.

2. 23-107, In Re: Megan Tommet, DVM

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

3. 23-108, In Re: Sheryl Harmon, DVM

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

4. 23-109, In Re: Jennifer Solis, DVM

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

5. 23-110, In Re: Carolina Alvarez, DVM

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

6. 23-111, In Re: Lindsay Juhl, DVM

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

7. 23-112, In Re: Jessica Seibel, DVM

Mr. Loughead was absent. Attorney David Stoll was present to monitor. Mr. Kyle Tourt was present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Frost and seconded by Ms. Soloman to schedule this matter to an **Informal Interview**. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 absent.

8. 23-113, In Re: Amber Schlick, CVT

CVT Schlick was present and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Frost and seconded by Ms. Soloman to modify the Investigative Committee's recommendation and dismiss this issue with no violation and issue a **Letter of Concern** with respect to as a CVT, ensuring documented orders by the veterinarian are followed through the medical record. Motion passed unanimously.

9. 23-114, In Re: Anna Krumins, DVM

Dr. Krumins was present with attorney Leanne Hay and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Wright and seconded by Ms. Soloman to modify the Investigative Committee's recommendation and find Dr. Krumins in violation of **ARS § 32-2232 (21)** as it relates to **AAC R3-11-502 (L) (6)** for failure to document in the medical record the treatment that was provided to the dog with respect to the teeth that were extracted. Motion passed unanimously.

After further discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Wright and seconded by Ms. Soloman adopt the Investigative Committee's Findings of Fact as the Board's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as previously stated. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Wright and seconded by Ms. Soloman to offer Dr. Krumins a **Consent Agreement** that includes a period of **Probation of 1-year** to obtain three (3) hours of continuing education in addition to the statutory requirements. Those **three (3) hours shall be in the area of Medical Record Keeping**. If the Consent Agreement is not signed in 30 days the matter shall be scheduled for an Informal Interview. Roll call: Ms. Soloman, aye; Dr. Jaynes, aye; Ms. Creager, aye; Mr. Loughead, aye; Dr. Wright, aye; and Ms. Frost, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

10. 23-115, In Re: Emily Fassbaugh, DVM

Dr. Fassbaugh was present with attorney Cody Tyszka and made statements. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Wright and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to accept the Investigative Committee's recommendation and **dismiss** this issue with no violation. Motion passed unanimously.

After further discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded Ms. Soloman to refer the unlicensed practitioners named in the Investigative Committee Report to the Attorney General's Office and County Attorney's Office. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 nay (Dr. Jaynes).

11. 23-116, In Re: Derek Osterheld, DVM

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

12. 23-117, In Re: Jason Long, DVM

Attorney Fatima Bedreddine was present and made statements on behalf of Dr. Long. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Wright and seconded by Mr. Loughead to accept the Investigative Committee's recommendation and **dismiss** this issue with no violation. Motion passed unanimously.

13. 23-118, In Re: Timothy Chiasson, DVM

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

14. 24-08, In Re: Dwight Benesh, DVM

Dr. Benesh was present, made statements and answered questions. Hospital Manager Karen Mosher was present, made statements and answered questions. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to offer Dr. Benesh a **Consent Agreement**, adopting the Findings of Fact in the Investigative Division Report and the Staff Memo dated July 11, 2023 as the Board's Findings of Fact. Motion passed unanimously.

After further discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to find Dr. Benesh in violation of:

- **A.R.S. § 32-2233 (A) (1)** Unprofessional or dishonorable conduct. Making false reports in writing on two or three occasions to the Board and staff stating that potential violations documented in premises inspections had been remedied;
- **A.R.S. § 32-2274 (A) (3)** A violation of section 32-2233 or any rule adopted pursuant to that section;

- **A.R.S. § 32-2274 (A) (5)** as it relates to **A.A.C. R3-11-502 (D)** When providing a veterinary medical service, a veterinarian shall ensure that no expired supplies are used;
- **A.R.S. § 32-2274 (A) (5)** as it relates to **A.A.C. R3-11-502(J)(2)** failure to ensure that a prescription-only drug or prescription-only device is destroyed or returned to the manufacturer or distributor no later than 30 days after its expiration date;
- **A.R.S. § 32-2274 (A) (5)** as it relates to **A.A.C. R3-11-703 (4)** failure to ensure the animal cold storage container was free of ice buildup, stains and debris;
- **A.R.S. § 32-2274 (A) (4)** as it relates to **A.A.C. R3-11-502(K)(3)** failure to maintain adequate controlled substance dispensing log;
- **A.R.S. § 32-2274 (A) (4)** as it relates to **A.A.C. R3-11-502(L)(7)** failure to consistently document medication concentration and route of administration in the medical record;
- **A.R.S. § 32-2281 (A) (1) (a-d)** as it relates to **A.A.C. R3-11-502 (L) (7)** failure to properly label repackaged pharmacy items and document medications administered to animals in the medical record;
- **A.R.S. § 32-2281 (A) (1) (a-d)** as it relates to **A.A.C. R3-11-802** failure to properly label repackaged pharmacy items;
- **A.R.S. § 32-2274 (A) (6)** as it relates to **A.A.C R3-11-502 (H)(2)** failure to consistently document the animal's temperature in the medical record prior to anesthesia or surgery;
- **A.R.S. § 32-2274 (A) (6)** as it relates to **A.A.C R3-11-502 (H)(5) (a – e)** failure to consistently properly maintain an anesthesia log;
- **A.R.S. § 32-2274 (A) (6)** as it relates to **A.A.C R3-11-502 (L) (4)** failure to consistently document the animal's heart rate in the medical record;
- **A.R.S. § 32-2274 (A) (6)** as it relates to **A.A.C R3-11-502 (L) (5)** failure to consistently document the animal's tentative or definitive diagnosis in the medical record; and
- **A.R.S. § 32-2274 (A) (6)** as it relates to **A.A.C R3-11-502 (M) (4)** failure to permanently label the veterinarian's name or premises on radiographs.

Roll call: Ms. Soloman, aye; Dr. Jaynes, aye; Ms. Creager, aye; Mr. Loughead, aye; Dr. Wright, aye; and Ms. Frost, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to offer Dr. Benesh **Consent Agreement** that includes a **Stayed Suspension/Probation for a period of 1-year** in order to:

- Obtain a Board approved **Practice Monitor**. Dr. Benesh shall submit a Practice Monitor for Board approval within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the Consent Agreement; the Board grants authority to Ms. Whitmore to approve the Practice Monitor on the Board's behalf;
- Provide the approved Practice Monitor with a copy of the Consent Agreement;
- Hire the approved Practice Monitor within thirty (30) days after approval by the Board, or its Executive Director, to remedy all violations, train Dr. Benesh and premises staff, conduct random inspections of medical records and protocols and submit reports of observations and progress to the Board every other month until the Board stipulates monitoring is no longer required;
- **Review Arizona Revised Statutes Title 32 Chapter 21 (Veterinary Practice Act) and associated Administrative Rules;** and
- Pay a **\$3000 civil penalty** on or before the end of the Probationary period.

If the Consent Agreement is not signed within fifteen (15) days, the matter will be moved to a Formal Hearing. If Dr. Benesh is non-compliant with any of the terms of the Consent

Agreement, the Stayed Suspension shall be lifted and his license Suspended. Roll call: Ms. Soloman, aye; Dr. Jaynes, aye; Ms. Creager, aye; Mr. Loughead, aye; Dr. Wright, aye; and Ms. Frost, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

15. 24-34, In Re: Maya Bellapianta, DVM

Dr. Wright abstained. Dr. Bellapianta was present with attorney Flynn Carey, made statements and answered questions.

- *At 11:02am, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to go into executive session for legal advice. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention (Dr. Wright).*
- *At 11:22am, the Board entered back into open session.*

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Mr. Loughead to issue Dr. Bellapianta an **Interim Order** pursuant to **A.R.S. § 32-2234 (B) and (C)** to obtain an **updated comprehensive psychological evaluation that includes a substance use evaluation by a Board approved evaluator; the evaluation shall also include a hair/nail/urine (observed) drug test** as recommended by Dr. Keen or another Board-approved evaluator. The Board granted Ms. Whitmore the authority to approved the evaluator if other than Dr. Keen – Dr. Keen has been pre-approved. Respondent shall make an appointment with the Board-approved evaluator within 30 days of the effective date of the Interim Order; complete the evaluation within 60 days; and to have the report to the Board office within 90 days. Roll call: Ms. Soloman, aye; Dr. Jaynes, aye; Ms. Creager, aye; Mr. Loughead, aye; Dr. Wright, abstain; and Ms. Frost, aye. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention.

III. INFORMAL INTERVIEWS - BOARD DELIBERATION AND ACTION

1. 23-92, In Re: Amanda Melhus, DVM

Dr. Melhus was present with attorney Leanne Hay, made statements and answered questions. Mr. Kevin Wright was present, made statements and answered questions. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Wright and seconded by Mr. Loughead to **dismiss** this issue with no violation. Motion passed unanimously.

2. 23-72, In Re: Simon Escalada, DVM

Dr. Escalada was present telephonically, made statements and answered questions. Mr. Victor Valdez was present telephonically, made statements and answered questions. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Ms. Soloman to find Dr. Escalada in violation of:

- **A.R.S. § 32-2232 (11) Gross negligence; due to:**
 - *Not prescribing a broad-spectrum antibiotic based on the blood results;*
 - *Not repeating diagnostics;*
 - *Not taking humane measures to control the dog's coprophagia behavior; and*
 - *Failure to disclose the dog's cardiac arrest during the spay procedure to the pet owner.*

- **A.R.S. § 32-2232 (21) Failure to maintain adequate records** of veterinary services provided; there was a large window of time (1/16/23 – 1/20/23) where no medical records were maintained on the dog during hospitalization and medical record on the dog on other dates were scant and incomplete.
- **A.R.S. § 32-2232 (21) as it relates to AAC R3-11-502:**
 - **(H)(3)** failure to document to the dog's heart rate and respiratory rate immediately and every 15 minutes during the surgical procedure;
 - **(L) (4)** multiple omissions from the medical record when examining the pet; and
 - **(L) (7) (a), (b) and (d)** failure to document in the medical record the convenia that was administered to the dog; failure to document the concentration, amount and route of administration of multiple medications administered to the dog including but limited to metronidazole, sulfasalazine, dexdomitor, torbutrol, revertidine, carprofen, penicillin, dopram, calcium, lidocaine, and orbax.

Roll call: Ms. Soloman, aye; Dr. Jaynes, aye; Ms. Creager, aye; Mr. Loughead, aye; and Ms. Frost, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OF PREVIOUS ACTIONS

1. Combined cases 22-136 & 23-03: In Re: Maya Bellapianta, DVM. Monthly appearance as required by Consent Agreement. Board may review, discuss, and take action on compliance with consent agreement and other information presented and may amend ICA.

Dr. Wright was abstained. Dr. Bellapianta was present with attorney Flynn Carey in compliance with her Interim Consent Agreement.

2. 23-140: In Re: Ivory Wildflower, DVM. Board may review, discuss and take action on Continuing Education Plan submitted in compliance with Consent Agreement.

Dr. Wright was abstained. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to accept Dr. Wildflower's continuing education plan submitted in compliance with her Consent Agreement. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention.

3. 23-34: In Re: Aric Remen, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on continuing education completed in compliance with Board Order and may return license to Active status.

Dr. Wright was abstained. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to accept Dr. Remen's completed continuing education in compliance with his Board Order and return his license back to Active status. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention.

4. 22-57: In Re: Ryan Bunce, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on continuing education completed in compliance with Board Order and may return license to Active status.

Dr. Wright was abstained. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to accept Dr. Bunce's completed continuing education in compliance with his Board Order and return his license back to Active status. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention.

5. 23-78: In Re: Sara McMichael, CVT. Board may review, discuss, and take action on self-assessment submitted in compliance with Consent Agreement, review update on the Board receiving drug testing results, and may take action on other information presented.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to subpoena CVT McMichael's probation department to obtain her drug test results. Motion passed unanimously.

6. 22-36: In Re: Rowena D'Monte, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on compliance with Board Order and may return license to Active status.

Dr. Wright was abstained. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to accept Dr. D'Monte's continuing education plan in compliance with her Board Order and return her license back to Active status. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention.

7. 23-61: In Re: Christopher Dorto, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Continuing Education Plan submitted in compliance with Board Order.

Dr. Wright was abstained. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to accept Dr. Dorto's continuing education plan submitted in compliance with his Board Order. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention.

8. 22-74: In Re: Bernard Mangone, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on continuing education completed in compliance with Board Order and may return license to Active status.

Dr. Wright was abstained. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to accept Dr. Mangone's completed continuing education in compliance with his Board Order and return his license back to Active status. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention.

9. 23-77: In Re: Lorna Lanman, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action Continuing Education Plan submitted in compliance with Board Order.

After discussion and consideration, the Board tabled the matter to a future Board meeting and directed staff to obtain clarification on Dr. Lanman's submission.

10. 23-80: In Re: Dawn Hunsberger, VMD. Board may review, discuss, and take action on test results, which may include lifting the Stay of Suspension.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to direct Ms. Whitmore to lift Dr. Hunsberger's Stay of Suspension if the confirmation test comes back positive. Motion passed unanimously.

11. 22-71: In Re: Dennis White, 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.

Dr. Wright was abstained. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Dr. Jaynes to accept Dr. White's completed continuing

education in compliance with his Board Order and return his license back to Active status. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention.

12. 23-148: In Re: Heather Oyan, DVM. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Respondent's proposed changes to Consent Agreement offered.

Dr. Oyan was present; made statements and answered questions. Based on information provided by Dr. Oyan the Board voted to amend the previously offered Consent Agreement. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to amend the Consent Agreement to include the following terms:

- **Stayed Suspension/Probation for a period of 1-year** in order to;
 - Close current premises, physically surrender the premises license to the Board, and submit a new mobile premises application with payment to the Board within 60 days of the effective date of the Consent Agreement;
 - Obtain a Board-approved Practice Monitor within 30 days of the effective date of the Consent Agreement to assist Dr. Oyan in ensuring her premises is in compliance and provide reports to the Board every other month until the Board is satisfied that compliance is being met; and
 - Compel the Board-approved Practice Monitor to provide their first audit report to the Board 30 days after the Board's statutorily required premises inspection after a new premises application is received; and
- If the Consent Agreement is not signed within 15 days of receipt, the case will be moved to Formal Hearing.
- If Dr. Oyan complies with the first term of the Consent Agreement in 60 days, the civil penalty shall be reduced to \$4,000, which will due on or before the end of the Probationary period. If Dr. Oyan does not comply with any part of the Consent Agreement, the Stay will be lifted and her license Suspended.

Roll call: Ms. Soloman, aye; Dr. Jaynes, aye; Ms. Creager, aye; Mr. Loughead, aye; and Ms. Frost, aye. Motion passed unanimously.

V. REPORTS, CORRESPONDENCE, REFERRALS AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. Board may review, discuss, and take action on reportable charge regarding Sara McMichael, CVT.

No action taken.

2. Board may review, discuss, and take action on re-appointment of Investigative Committee members:

- a. Jared Butler, DVM – AM IC
- b. Steven Dow, DVM - PM IC
- c. Justin McCormick, DVM – PM IC
- d. Steven Seiler – AM IC

Dr. Wright was abstained. After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to reappoint the above-referenced Investigative Committee members. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention.

3. Board may review, discuss and take action on Investigative Committee volunteer applicants:

Donald Boucher

Mr. Boucher had a scheduling conflict therefore the matter was tabled to a future Board meeting date.

4. Board may review, discuss and take action on case C-24-01, Michelle Hunter, Unlicensed Practitioner.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Creager and seconded by Ms. Soloman to close the matter. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Board may review, discuss, and take action on information received regarding Niki's Place Incorporated, Premises License #R3399.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to **open an investigation** with respect to Responsible Veterinarian Natalie Schuster, DVM. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Board may review, discuss, and take action on premises inspections:

a. P0951: Marana Veterinary Clinic. Clayton Wengert, DVM

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to **open an investigation** with respect to Clayton Wengert, DVM. Motion passed unanimously.

b. P0004: Nogales Veterinary Clinic. Simon Escalada, DVM

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to conduct another premises inspection to confirm compliance. Motion passed unanimously.

c. P0121: Santis Pet Clinic. Hugo Santibanez, DVM

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to conduct another premises inspection to confirm compliance. Motion passed unanimously.

d. P0512: Coolidge Veterinary Hospital. Audie Wood, DVM

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Mr. Loughead to conduct another premises inspection to confirm compliance. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Board may review, discuss, and take action on 2024 Board meeting dates.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Mr. Loughead to approve the 2024 Board meeting dates. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Board may review, discuss, and take action on veterinary license applicants:

a. Trey B Morrison, DVM

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Creager and seconded by Mr. Loughead to approve applicant Morrison's veterinary license application. Motion passed unanimously.

b. James Doles, DVM

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Creager and seconded by Mr. Loughead to approve applicant Dole's veterinary license application. Motion passed unanimously.

9. Board may review, discuss and take action on possible unlicensed practitioner/premises, D Pet Hotel Arcadia.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to open an investigation with respect to the documented premises owner. Motion passed unanimously.

10. Board may review, discuss, and take action on matter related to Continuing Education waiver granted to Pasquale Campanile, DVM.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Loughead and seconded by Ms. Soloman to approve Dr. Campanile's continuing education related to the continuing education waiver granted. Motion passed unanimously.

11. Board may review, discuss, and take action on FY23 Annual Report to the Governor.

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Soloman and seconded by Mr. Loughead to approve the FY2023 Annual Report to the Governor. Motion passed unanimously.

12. Executive Director Report

a. FY25 Budget process

Ms. Whitmore updated the Board on the FY25 Budget process.

VI. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. August 16, 2023 Regular Session {Abstain: Ms. Frost}

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Mr. Loughead to approve the August 16, 2023 regular session minutes. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention (Mr. Frost).

2. August 16, 2023 Executive Session {Abstain: Ms. Frost}

After discussion and consideration, a motion was made by Dr. Jaynes and seconded by Mr. Loughead to approve the August 16, 2023 executive session minutes. Motion passed 5 ayes, 1 abstention (Mr. Frost).

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Premises Licenses – Responsible Veterinarian listed

1. R4201: Healthy Paws and Hooves @ CAL Ranch Tucson. New Premise. David Barnes, VMD
2. R4223: Aspen Ridge Animal Hospital. Owner Change. Elizabeth Ellis, DVM
3. R4224: Theresa Gonzalez DVM. Address Change. Theresa Gonzalez, DVM
4. R4225: Petsmart Veterinary Services. New Premises. Robert Foglia, DVM
5. R4226: Brown Road Animal Clinic. New Responsible Veterinarian. Madeline Beebe, DVM
6. R4227: Equine Athlete Veterinary Services. New Premises. Krystle O'Cull, DVM
7. R4228: Alma School Animal Hospital. New Owner/New Responsible Veterinarian. Hector McFarquhar, DVM
8. R4230: Altered Tails Barnhart Clinic. New Responsible Veterinarian. Julia Neufeld, DVM
9. R4231: Banfield Pet Hospital #5372. New Premises. Lisa Seman, DVM

10. R4232: Banfield Pet Hospital #1864. New Responsible Veterinarian. Jill Besemer, DVM
11. R4235: I'll Pack a Vet, LLC. New Premises. Joseph Kamper, DVM
12. R4236: PetWellClinic – East Greenway. New Premises. Caroline Magargle, DVM
13. R4237: Westridge Animal Hospital. New Owner. William Peterson DVM
14. R4239: ShotVet. New Responsible Veterinarian. Ivan Weinstein, DVM
15. R4247: Petsmart Veterinary Services. New Premises. Jarrod Dorsey, DVM

A (1), (9) and (14) were removed from Consent Agenda.

Approval of Premises Inspections granted.

B. Approval of Random Premises Inspections – Responsible Veterinarian listed

1. P0010: Academy West Animal Hospital. Thomas Ratke, DVM
2. P0884: Samaritan Veterinary Center. Jeffrey Eubank, DVM
3. R0130: Mesquite Veterinary Hospital, PC. Robert Baker, DVM
4. R0226: Monument East Veterinary Hospital. Michael Hurtado, DVM
5. R0619: Companion Veterinary Clinic. Roberto Rojas, DVM
6. R1157: Adobe Veterinary Center. Chris Staten, DVM
7. R1195: Valley West Animal Hospital. Amy Cromer, DVM
8. R1488: Tempe Veterinary Hospital. Rick Wells, DVM
9. R2152: Integrative Veterinary Oncology. A. (Betsy) Hershey, DVM
10. R2468: Pima Animal Care Center Spay/Neuter Clinic. Jennifer Wilcox, DVM
11. R2609: Indian Bend Animal Hospital. Scotti Gulinson, DVM
12. R2620: Little Critters Veterinary Hospital. Jill Pratt, DVM
13. R2820: Peaceful Pet in Home. Brett Hinsch, DVM
14. R3424: Avra Veterinary Clinic. Candice Chintis, DVM
15. R3457: Arizona Veterinary Specialists. Michael Balke, DVM
16. R3466: Blue Pearl Operations, LLC. Sara Ford, DVM
17. R3517: Animal Clinic del Rancho. Laura Adrian, DVM
18. R2668: Dr. Joy's Mobile Veterinary. John Augustine, DVM

Approval of Random Premises Inspections granted.

C. Approval of Random Animal Crematory Inspections - Responsible Owner listed

1. C0040: Entrusted Pets, Inc. James Ahearne

Approval of Random Animal Crematory Inspections granted.

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

Items Removed From Consent Agenda:

A (1), (9) and (14).

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

VIII. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Ms. Creager reported that several members of the Board will be attending the annual AAVSB meeting next week.

Ms. Soloman advised that the new Arizona Humane Society Campus will have a grand opening in January 2024.

Mr. Loughead advised that the first class of the U of A veterinary program graduated in August 2023. At least one graduate remained in a rural area of Arizona to practice veterinary medicine.

Dr. Jaynes advised that she helped fund a scholarship program associated with U of A students coming from the Navajo Nation, or from any tribal community, with the intent that they would stay on tribal land.

IX. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No member of the public wished to address the Board.

X. ESTABLISHMENT OF FUTURE MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 18, 2023**, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at 1740 W. Adams Street, Board Room "B," Phoenix, Arizona, 85007. One or more Board members may appear telephonically.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:00pm

Respectfully submitted,



Victoria Whitmore, Executive Director