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### ARIZONA STATE VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

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# \*TELECONFERENCE BOARD MEETING April 1, 2020 \* 8:30 a.m.

The public may join the meeting via live stream:

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**The Board's Mission:** The Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examining Board protects the health, safety and welfare of the general public, as well as the welfare of animals, by enforcing the licensing standards prescribed by statute for the licensing and regulation of veterinarians, veterinary technicians, veterinary premises, and animal crematories.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examining Board and to the general public that the Arizona State Veterinary Medical Examining Board will hold a meeting open to the public, as indicated on the following agenda.

The Board reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, except for those matters set for a specific time. The Board, upon majority vote of a quorum of the members, may hold an Executive Session on any item on the agenda for the purpose of obtaining legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3). The Board, upon majority vote of a quorum of the members, may hold an Executive Session on any agenda item II for the purpose of reviewing and discussing confidential records and information pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2). Executive Sessions are not open to the public. Special Needs: If any person(s) with disabilities need any type of accommodation, they may call the Board office at 602-364-1739, or Voice Relay Service (800) 842-4681 or TTY at (800) 367-8939 so that arrangements may be made prior to the meeting.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

#### II. REPORTS, CORRESPONDENCE, REFERRALS AND OTHER BUSINESS

1. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Executive Order 2020-10, "Delaying Elective Surgeries to Conserve Personal Protection Equipment Necessary to Test and Treat Patients with COVID-19," including discussion of its applicability to veterinarians.

- 2. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Executive Order 2020-12, "Prohibiting the Closure of Essential Services," related to veterinary care and all healthcare provided to animals being included as an essential service. Review, discussion and action may also occur in relation to the Board's role as an Essential Government Function.
- 3. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Executive Order 2020-15, "Expansion of Telemedicine."
- 4. Board may review, discuss, and take action on developing requirements and parameters for veterinary telehealth services during the State of Emergency related to COVID-19, including recordkeeping, which would not be more restrictive or less favorable to providers than are required for veterinary services delivered in-person, if given the authority by Executive Order to do so.
- 5. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Executive Order 2020-17, "Continuity of Work," including actions related to the COVID-19 situation to: (1) issue provisional licenses for applicants unable to complete the North American Veterinarian Licensing Examination (NAVLE) due to test center closures; (2) modify continuing education requirements for licensees and certificate holders; and (3) modify the process for collection of application, issuance, and license verification fees.
- 6. Board may review, discuss, and take action on Executive Order 2020-18, "Stay Home, Stay Healthy, Stay Connected Physical Distancing to Mitigate COVID-19 Transmission," including action to modify Board staff's availability for unplanned requests for in-person meetings and receipt of hand-delivered documents that could be provided electronically or by mail.
- 7. Board may review, discuss, and take action on veterinary license applications to sit for the State exam:
  - a. Payton Bayless
  - b. Jetta Shirmer

#### III. ESTABLISHMENT OF FUTURE MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting will be held via teleconference and/or internet conference on **Wednesday**, **April 15**, **2020**, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Information on how the public may participate will be noted on the meeting notice and agenda.

## **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

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