

BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: Wednesday, April 20, 2016

Time: 10:10 a.m.

Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, 1st Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Present: John K. Kaya, D.V.M., Chairperson
Wendy L. Mah, Vice-Chairperson
Alan Kaufman, D.V.M., Member
Jenee Odani, D.V.M., Member
Michael O. Woltmon, D.V.M., Member
Shari Wong, Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")
Lynn Bhanot, Executive Officer
Lori Nishimura, Secretary

Guests: None.

Agenda: The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") section 92-7(b).

Call to Order: There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. by Chairperson Dr. Kaya.

Additions/
Revisions
to Agenda: None.

Approval of
Minutes of the
February 3, 2016
Board Meeting: DAG Wong requested for an amendment to the Board's minutes, to correct a typographical error, line six (6) of page six (6), corrected word underlined to replace misspelled word bracketed and stricken, to read as follows:

"...Dr. Woltmon commented that three (3) out of the five (5) mentioned diseases [~~does~~] do not apply to veterinarians."

After discussion, it was moved Dr. Woltmon, seconded by Dr. Kaufman, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2016 Board meeting as amended.

Applications: A. Ratification of Issued Temporary Permit

After discussion, it was moved by Dr. Kaufman, seconded by Dr. Odani, and unanimously carried to ratify the following issued temporary permit:

- (1) MONROE, Chelsea

B. Ratification of Issued License

After discussion, it was moved by Dr. Odani, seconded by Dr. Woltmon, and unanimously carried to ratify the following issued license:

- (1) BOBBILI, Naveen K.
- (2) COMPTON, Amy E.
- (3) KELLY, Christopher K.
- (4) MONROE, Chelsea
- (5) PLANT, Jonathan D.
- (6) ZIKES, Cynthia

Scope of Practice: A. March 24, 2016 Email Inquiry From Dinah Chao, Regarding Spay/Neuter Questions.

Executive Officer Bhanot stated that an email inquiry was received from Dinah Chao regarding the spaying and neutering of dogs and cats in shelter setting; whether those procedure needs to performed by a Hawaii licensed veterinarian and if veterinary technicians could also perform those services.

After discussion, the Board commented that veterinary technicians are not allowed to perform surgeries. The Board also delegated to the Executive Officer to inform/reply to inquiries on behalf of the Board on similar questions.

B. April 5, 2016 Email Inquiry From Miyo Miyasaki-Kim, D.V.M., Regarding Emergency Care.

Executive Officer Bhanot stated that an email inquiry was received from Miyo Miyasaki-Kim, D.V.M., who requested for an exemption for the Humane Enforcement Officers ("HEO") from the Maui Humane Society to provide some medical care to injured animals out of normal office hours; to provide injured or sick animals continued care while their shelter is closed even if a veterinarian is not on property. "That they can provide basic first aid and pain relief to injured animals out in the field...This could include subcutaneous fluid therapy, cleaning and bandaging of wounds, and an antibiotic shot."

Discussion ensued on HRS section 471-2. After discussion, the Board by consensus, stated that there are no provisions in the statute to allow for an exemption; thus, providing injured or sick animals continued care by HEOs must be done under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian.

In accordance with section 16-201-90, Hawaii Administrative Rules, the above interpretation is for informational and explanatory purposes only. It is not an official opinion or decision, and thus, is not to be viewed as binding on the Board.

Legislation:

A. Senate Bill No. 2671, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, Relating to Veterinary Technicians

Executive Officer Bhanot provided a brief summary of Senate Bill No. 2671, S.D. 1, H.D. 2. Ms. Bhanot stated that this bill is very different from the original bill as discussed in the February 3, 2016 meeting. She reiterated that the Board had stated that they were in support of the concept to register veterinary technicians, but were not able to support the bill as written and had recommended changes to the original bill, but will hold its full support until a revised bill may be presented to the Board. Ms. Bhanot commented that this current version of the bill is for the registration of veterinary technicians. Some members of the Board expressed the bill should be done right, it shouldn't be passed "just to have" the registration of veterinary technicians.

After discussion, it was moved by Dr. Woltmon, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Mah, and unanimously carried to state the Board strongly supports the concept to register veterinary technicians; however, it is not in support of Senate Bill No. 2671, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, for the following reasons:

- No renewal period mentioned;
- No continuing education requirement; and
- No inception date.

B. House Standing Committee Report No. 1672-16,
Re: Senate Bill No. 2671, S.D. 1, H.D. 2

Executive Officer Bhanot provided a brief summary of House Standing Committee Report No. 1672-16, which amended Senate Bill No. 2671, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, with the following:

- “(1) Changing the appropriation to implement the registration of veterinary technicians to an unspecified amount;
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2030, to encourage further discussion; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.”

She stated that the committee recommended that it pass Third Reading as Senate Bill No. 2671, S.D. 1, H.D. 2.

C. Governor’s Message 747, Gubernatorial Nominee,
Leianne Lee Loy, For a Term to Expire June 30, 2019.

Executive Officer Bhanot informed the Board of Governor’s Message No. 747, for consideration and confirmation of the appointment of Leianne Lee Loy, D.V.M., to the Board of Veterinary Examiners, for a term to expire on June 30, 2019.

D. Governor’s Message 772, Gubernatorial Nominee,
Alicia Maluafiti, For a Term to Expire June 30, 2018.

Executive Officer Bhanot informed the Board of Governor’s Message No. 772, for consideration and confirmation of the appointment of Alicia Maluafiti, to the Board of Veterinary Examiners, for a term to expire on June 30, 2018.

Executive Officer Bhanot stated one vacancy seat for the Board is open for a licensed veterinarian who shall be a resident of a county other than the city and county of Honolulu.

DAG Wong left the meeting at 11:23 a.m.

Executive
Officer's Report:

A. American Association of Veterinary State Boards ("AAVSB")

(1) March 11, 2016 Call for Resolutions

Call for Resolutions from AAVSB, dated March 11, 2016 was circulated to the Board.

Executive Officer Bhanot announced the 2016 AAVSB Annual Meeting and Conference will be held in Scottsdale, Arizona on September 22-24, 2016.

Examinations:

A. Results of the State Veterinary Licensing Examination Administered on February 19, 2016

Candidates Eligible:	7
Exams Administered:	7
Successful:	6
Failed:	1
No Shows:	0

Results of the State Veterinary Licensing Examination Administered on March 18, 2016

Candidates Eligible:	5
Exams Administered:	3
Successful:	2
Failed:	1
No Shows:	2

Next Board
Meeting:

Wednesday, July 20, 2016
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Adjournment: There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at
11:29 a.m.

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ Lori Nishimura

Lori Nishimura, Secretary

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ Lynn Bhanot

Lynn Bhanot, Executive Officer

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[X] Minutes approved as is.

[] Minutes approved with changes. See Minutes of _____