



KENTUCKY BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS

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Special Meeting Minutes

October 28, 2021 – Special Meeting

Meeting Location: Office of the State Veterinarian
109 Corporate Drive, Frankfort, KY 40601

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

(V) = video (A) = audio only (I) = In-person

All Board Members and Staff present in-person (I) unless otherwise noted.

- Steven J. Wills, DVM – Chairman
- Gene Smith, DVM – Vice Chair
- Dianne Dawes, DVM
- Tom Dorman, Citizen-at-Large
- Dale Eckert, DVM
- Tim Gardner, DVM
- Stephanie Kennedy, DVM
- John Park, DVM
- Amy J. Staton, EdD, LVT (V)
- Bob Stout, DVM -- Proxy for the Commissioner of Agriculture

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE STAFF PRESENT

- Michelle Shane, KBVE Executive Director
- Joe Bilby, KBVE Legal Counsel
- Amanda Briggs, KBVE Administrative Assistant
- Sean Southard, KDA Director Communications and Public Affairs (V)

OTHERS PRESENT

- Bonnie Barr, DVM, KVMA Past President
- Jen Quamann, DVM, KVMA (V)
- Debra Hamelback, Executive Director, KVMA (V-1/2; I-1/2)
- Ali Hammond, Journalist, WAVE 3 News, Louisville (V)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Dr. Steven Wills, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:33 AM EDT. Chairman Wills welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Ms. Michelle Shane read the roll call. Per [KRS 321.240\(2\)](#), a quorum of the Board was achieved.

CONFIRMATION OF PUBLIC NOTICE

Ms. Shane confirmed the public notice for this meeting was sent on Tuesday, October 26, 2021, to the Kentucky Department of Agriculture (KDA) media contact list, and also posted on the KBVE website Meetings page.

READING OF MISSION STATEMENT

Vice Chair Gene Smith, DVM read aloud the KBVE mission statement.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of Board Per Diem and Meeting Travel

A MOTION was made by Dr. John Park to approve the consent agenda. The motion, seconded by Dr. Gardiner, passed unanimously.

BUSINESS AGENDA

AAVSB Conference Update

Chairman Wills, Dr. Dawes, and Ms. Shane provided an update re their attendance at the 2021 AAVSB Annual Meeting in Denver, CO.

New AAVSB Leadership:

- Dr. Chris Runde, AAVSB President (Maryland)
- Leslie Knachel, MPH, AAVSB President-Elect (Virginia)
- Dr. Thomas C. (T.C.) Branch, AAVSB Director (Alabama)
- Dr. Stephanie Kube, AAVSB Director (Massachusetts)
- Dr. Frank Richardson, AAVSB Director (Nova Scotia)
- Others still holding seats:
 - Roger Redman, DVM (Ohio), Immediate Past President
 - Kim Gemeinhardt, DVM (North Carolina), Treasurer
 - Amy Haywood, LVT (District of Columbia), Director
 - Timothy Kolb, DVM (Ohio), Director
 - Mark Logan, VMD (New Jersey), Director
 - James T. Penrod, CAE, FASLA, Ex-Officio Member (non-voting), Secretary & Executive Director

Other AAVSB Positions Elected:

- Kathy Bowler, AAVSB Representative to the ICVA (Public Member) (California)
- Dr. Helen Tuzio, AAVSB Representative to the ICVA (Veterinarian) (New York)
- Dr. Frank Walker, AAVSB Representative to the ICVA (Veterinarian) (North Dakota)
- Dr. Ronald Komich, AAVSB Nominating Committee (North Carolina)

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Practice Act Modernization discussion –

- Chairman Wills & Ms. Shane provided a summary of comments and feedback from the KVMA Practice Act Modernization review committee
- Ms. Shane led a discussions about “Allied Professionals”. Members of the Board determined that more research was needed in this area before including any changes to the Practice Act that would allow the KBVE to provide a credential to potentially qualified practitioners, including learning the number and types of schools in the U.S. offering these training courses.
- Mr. Joe Bilby introduced a proposal to limit the use of term “chiropractor” or “chiropractic” by veterinarians.
- Members of the Board discussed changing the term “Veterinary Assistant” to “Veterinary Aid” (lay person), and redefining the term “Veterinary Assistant” to be a person certified by NAFTA.
- Members of the Board discussed Veterinary Facility Registrations and Inspections in detail. Members agreed waive inspections for AHA Certified facilities was appropriate, but that these facilities would still need to register with the KBVE.
- At KVMA’s request, Members of the Board discussed adding telemedicine definitions.

NOTES:

- Ms. Amy Staton joined the meeting virtually at 10:33 AM
- Meeting break at 11:13 – 11:24 AM
- Break for food at 12:20 PM, working lunch
- Dr. Gardener departed at 12:25 PM

A MOTION was made by Dr. Park directing Joe and Ms. Shane to proceed with edits to the Practice Act Modernization Package with modifications as discussed, and provide this draft to KVMA for their consideration. The motion, seconded by Dr. Smith, passed unanimously.

Modernization Whitepaper

Members of the Board reviewed and discussed proposed edits to the summary factsheet.

Next Steps

- Package to be returned to KVMA for their vote of support
- Mr. Bilby provided an overview of the legislative process and KBVE Member roles

Discussion of Possible Regulations

Review & discussion of proposed regulations was tabled until a future meeting.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

Thu, Dec 2 – Regular Meeting @ 1:00 PM EDT

Office of the State Veterinarian, 109 Corporate Drive, Frankfort, KY

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Wills adjourned the meeting at 2:30 pm.

These Meeting Minutes were approved by the Board on December 2, 2021.


Steven J. Wills, DVM, Chairman of the Board

PRESIDING OFFICER: Steven J. Wills, DVM, Board Chairman
Minutes Recorded by: Michelle M. Shane, Executive Director
Minutes Reviewed by: Joe A. Bilby, Legal Counsel



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9:30 AM **CALL TO ORDER**

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 - Final Review
- Modernization Whitepaper
- Next Steps
- Discussion of possible regulations

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3:00 PM **ADJOURNMENT**