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Board of Veterinary Medicine

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BOARD MEETING OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES

May 21, 2015

9:30am-10:30am

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BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:		
	ARUNA NOON KAMPANI, DVM -CHAIRPERSON	EA
	LISA LAFONTAINE- VICE CHAIRPERSON CONSUMER MEMBER	P
	LEANNE LIPTON, BS, DVM, CVA, CVSMT, CVC, CVTN, CVFT-BOARD MEMBER	P
	ASHLEY GALLAGHER, DVM-BOARD MEMBER	P
STAFF:	RIKIN S. MEHTA, PharmD, JD, LLM- SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR	EA
	VITO DELVENTO, DVM, MS-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	P
*KEY CODES	EMILIA MORAN, INVESTIGATOR	P
P-PRESENT A-ABSENT EA-EXCUSED ABSENCE	SHAKIRA RICHARDSON, INVESTIGATOR	EA Field Work
	ANTOINETTE STOKES, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	P
	DIANE MOORER, IT SPECIALIST	P
LEGAL STAFF:	PANRAVEE VONGJAROENRAT, ESQ, BOARD ATTORNEY	P



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CASE ASSIGNMENTS:

BOARD MEMBERS:	
DR. ARUNA NOON KAMPANI (AK)	OS-0521-01, OS-0521-06, OS-0521-09, OS-0521-10, OS-0521-11 0521-12,
LISA LAFONTAINE (LL)	OS-0521-09, OS-0521-10, OS-0521-11, OS-0521-12, OS-0521-13
DR. LEANNE LIPTON (DLL)	OS-0521-09, OS-0521-10, OS-0521-11, OS-0521-12, OS-0521-13
DR. ASHLEY GALLAGHER (AG)	OS-0521-09, OS-0521-10, OS-0521-11, OS-0521-12, OS-0521-13
BOV STAFF:	
RIKIN S. MEHTA, PharmD, JD, LLM (RM)	OS-0521-02
DR. VITO DELVENTO (VDV)	OS-0521-03, OS-0521-08, OS-0521-09, OS-0521-10, OS-0521-11, OS-0521-12
EMILIA MORAN (EM)	OS-0521-9, OS-0521-10, OS-0521-11, OS-0521-12
PANRAVEE VONGJAROENRAT (PV)	OS-0521-05, OS-0521-13
SHAKIRA RICHARDSON (SR)	OS-0521-04
ANTOINETTE STOKES (AS)	OS-0521-09, OS-0521-14



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OPEN SESSION:

<p>OS-0521-01 AK</p>	<p><u>INTRODUCTION-REPORTS</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CALL TO ORDER-9:40 AM 2. PRESIDING- Lisa LaFontaine 3. MEMBERS ABSENT-Dr. Noon Kampani 4. MEMBERS PRESENT- Note list above 5. QUORUM-Yes 6. STAFF PRESENT-Note list above 7. PUBLIC ATTENDANCE-Amy Dorr 	
<p>OS-0521-02</p>	<p><u>SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. DelVento informed the Board that Dr. Mehta (SDD) is on scheduled leave today. • Dr. DelVento (ED) stated that the main Conference Room renovation and newly installed high tech systems are experiencing some glitches. The issues are its functionalities and there is not enough memory capacity to live stream/ record the entire Board meeting. However, the concerns/issues have been brought to the appropriate staff member's attention. He hopes the matters will be resolved by the next Board meeting. 	<p>RM</p>
<p>OS-0521-03</p>	<p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Census Report Dr. DelVento shared with the Board that there are 275 licensees under their purview. • Dr. DelVento also stated that the Office of Boards and Commission is now known as the Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA). MOTA is the office that handles all Board related matters and it appears to be an issue pertaining to having potential Board 	<p>VDV</p>



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	<p>members sworn in, in a timely manner. He also stated that he understands that the staff members within MOTA are relatively new and wanted to give them an opportunity to get orientated with their jobs. However, it is now impacting the Board because he wants to ensure that the Board can hold their regular scheduled meetings with a full quorum. Therefore, he will make contact with MOTA again soon with hopes of getting an update on the status of pending potential Board members. His main concern is he does not want them to lose interest in becoming Board members due to the long turn-around-time of them being sworn in.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. DelVento also informed the Board that the agency has a new Director and she has been made aware of the issues with MOTA. She is actively now engaged with assisting staff to ensure that the Boards vacancies are filled within a timely matter. 	
OS-0521-04	<p><u>ANIMAL SERVICES PROGRAM REPORT-ASP</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. DelVento informed the Board that the DOH has partnered with the State Animal Response Team (SART) and they will assist DOH in the event of an animal emergency. They met last week and he also stated that SART is seeking additional committee members as it will be helpful if any Board member will be a part of SART. He further mentioned that the implementation of SART is in the early stages and he will update the Board periodically as information becomes available. • He also stated that the Zoonotic program will begin June 1, 2015, which falls under the umbrella of ASP as well. He also stated that Ms. Maria Hille, Supervisory Biologist will introduce a new pilot program and that will entail educating DC residents on how to alleviate the breeding of mosquitoes. And there is a real issue in Eastland Gardens located east of the river. The 	SR



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	<p>apartment complex is close to a river and the water is attracting the mosquitoes. He further stated that the resident in that area have been educated/advised to keep the grass cut and to avoid any standing water those are the two main elements that attract mosquitoes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. DelVento informed the Board that last weekend was our second Animal Health Fair (Wards 3 and 4) and this will also be the launch of the ASP new online dog licensing system. Also, the annual third Health Fair will be on next Saturday, May 30, 2015. • Dr. DelVento also shared with the Board that on last Sunday, May 17, 2014, he and other staff members of the agency as well as staff from Health Preparedness and Emergency Response (HEPRA) attended the 150th Reenactment and it was a huge success. • Dr. Lipton stated that she noted that the Health Fair flyers have a new look and they contained more information. Dr. DelVento informed her and the Board that the agency has a new Director therefore, we (ASP) would like to ensure that we meet her expectations and the government has a new logo which was implemented by the Browser administration. • Dr. Lipton also stated that she got a gold star email pertaining to the Universal Soul Circus and they are coming to the Washington Metro area soon. However, she then stated once she retrieved her email that the shows will at the National Harbor and that is out of our jurisdiction. Therefore, the ASP will not oversee this event. 	
OS-0521-05	<p><u>BOARD COUNSELOR'S REPORT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	PV
OS-0521-06 AK	<p><u>BOARD CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None-chair absent. 	



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OS-0521-07	<p><u>COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Amy Dorr current vet tech subcommittee member and pending Board member stated that she is waiting to be sworn in. She shared with the Board her passions which are the practice of veterinary medicine and the regulatory of licenses. She also stated that she and her family are new to the DC area. 	
OS-0521-08	<p><u>Housekeeping</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board will hold their next regular scheduled meeting on Thursday, June 18, 2015. The 2015 AAVSB Annual Meeting and Conference will be held in Wisconsin, Milwaukee September 17-19 2015 Dr. DelVento stated that this is a renewal cycle for veterinarians however, the new law will be in effect pertaining to all licensed veterinarians must undergo a Criminal Background Check (CBC) for this renewal period. He also stated that this Board will be proactive in notifying licensees under their purview in a timely manner pertaining to the CBC law/policy. 	VDV
OS-0521-09 ALL	<p><u>APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board considered the April 30, 2015, open session meeting minutes. Seconded: Passed: Unanimously 	AS
OS-0521-10 ALL	<p><u>Open Session Consent Agenda</u></p> <p>There are no Consent Agenda Items.</p>	
OS-0521-11 ALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>AAVSB Call for Nominations for Upcoming Open Positions</u> Dr. DelVento informed the Board that the nomination deadline is today therefore, any Board member that is interested must sign up and notify AAVSB by close of business today. 	
OS-0521-12 ALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>FYI -Minnesota Board of Veterinary Medicine Newsletter Summer 2015</u> 	



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<p>OS-0521-13 LL/DLL AG</p>	<p><u>Subcommittee Updates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Veterinarian –Tech Subcommittee</u> • Ms. LaFontaine is the chair of this committee and she informed the Board that their next scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, June 1, 2015. The committee main discussion item will be on Euthanasia technician and their projected completion date is early summer. • <u>Regulations Subcommittee</u> • Dr. Lipton stated this committee has not met due to a pause with guidance /information pertaining to pharmacy and they are in need of expertise from the Board of Pharmacy’s Executive Director (ED). Dr. DelVento informed the Board that he has been in communication with the her however, she is now wearing two hats ED for the Pharmaceutical Division and the Food and Safety Bureau therefore; her plate is full. He also stated that she’s not ignoring the Board’s request and as soon as time permits she will make an appearance before them. 	
<p>OS-0521-14</p>	<p><u>Reading of Open Session Motions</u></p>	<p>AS</p>
	<p>This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting, and pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b), and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting.</p> <p>THE MEETING OPEN SESSION ADJOURNED AT 10:34AM</p>	