

MINUTES

**UTAH
Veterinarian Physician Licensing Board
MEETING**

September 16, 2010

**Room 475 – 4th Floor - 9:00 a.m.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

CONVENED: 9:02 a.m.

ADJOURNED: 12:20 a.m.

Bureau Manager:

Clyde Ormond

Board Secretary:

Jacky Adams

Board Members Present:

Terry Shields, DVM - Chairperson
Charles Heaton, DVM
Gary Peterson, DVM
Kerry Rood, DVM

Board Members Absent:

Bonnie East

Guests:

Tug Getting – North Utah Valley Animal Services
Mike Morgan – South Utah Valley Animal Services
Bill Stilling – Parson Behle & Latimer
Jan Erickson – Meds for Vets

DOPL Staff Present:

Mark B Steinagel – Division Director

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Welcome Dr. Kerry Rood DVM as a Board Member

Mr. Ormond issued the Oath of Office to Dr. Kerry Rood, DVM and welcomed him to the Board.

Election of 2010-2011 Board Chairperson

Dr. Peterson seconded by Dr. Heaton made a motion to re-elect Dr. Shields as the 2010-2011 Board Chairperson. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Training

Mr. Ormond conducted a discussion regarding Board Duties and Responsibilities.

Approval of the February 4, 2010 Board Meeting minutes

Dr. Peterson seconded by Dr. Heaton made a motion to approve the February 4, 2010 Board Meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Update regarding - Internship Requirements

At the February 4, 2010 meeting Dr. Allen of the UVMA (Utah Veterinary Medical Association) had address the Board regarding amending Title 58 Chapter 28 Section 302(1) (d), to remove the requirement for completion of a six (6) month internship prior to licensure as a Veterinarian.

A detailed discussion ensued where the Board and Division expressed there concern for public health if the proposed amendments, were to be enacted. The Board then unanimously agreed the internship requirement should not be removed from Title 58 Chapter 28.

Update regarding - Illegally Compounded Prescriptions

This issue has been discussed in depth at the past several meetings. At the February 4, 2010 Board Meeting the Board had requested for a representative of Meds4Vets to attend this meeting.

Ms. Erickson attended this meeting with her Attorney Mr. Stilling. A detailed discussion ensued regarding the sale of Compounded Prescriptions. It was explained if a Pharmacy illegally compounds prescriptions the FDA (Food and Drug Administration) will take action. However, in this specific case Phenylbutazone may be compounded, by other Pharmacies, additionally no action has been taken by the FDA.

Review of R386 the Administrative Code – Rabies Law regarding Administering the Vaccine to Animals

Mr. Tug Getting and Mr. Mike Morgan attended the meeting to express their concerns with the restrictions placed on Animal Shelters, as they relate to the administration of Rabies Vaccines, and to solicit advice from the Board regarding how to resolve this situation.

It was explained Shelters are required to ensure the Vaccine is given to all animals prior to adoption; however the Shelter does not have the ability to administer the Vaccine. This situation causes Shelters to release animals without being vaccinated and

depending on the animals' new owner to ensure the vaccination is given. It was further explained between 37% and 70% of adopted animals may not be receiving the vaccine as required.

The Board and Division questioned, how many cases of Rabies have been confirmed in domesticated animals in the past year. It was explained only wild animals have been diagnosed with Rabies in the past year, in these Shelters.

A detailed discussion then ensued regarding a resolution for this problem. It was recommended:

1. Shelters contract with local Veterinarians to administer the vaccine;
2. Amend Title 58 Chapter 28 Section 307 to allow representatives of the Shelter to administer the vaccine; or
3. Mr. Ormond will discuss this issue with Mr. Steinagel to determine if an "Emergency Order" can be issued until after the next Legislative session.

It was then determined prior to the Board taking any action on this issue, the Utah Animal Control Officers Association should be consulted. National statistics should be reviewed to determine how other States are handling his issue.

Veterinary Technician and Technologist licensure

Veterinary Technician and Technologist licensure was briefly discussed.

Mr. Ormond reminded the Board this issue had been previously discussed. He explained the Division will remain neutral regarding Legislation to require licensure for Veterinary Technician and Technologist.

CORRESPONDENCE:

NBVME:

QE and QVSA Technical Reports
NAVLE 2009-2010 Technical Report

Reviewed, with no further action taken.

Deseret News Article – "Utah Legislative Committee ponders joint Veterinarian Program"

Dr. Rood explained Legislature is reviewing a potential Veterinary School partnership between Utah State and Washington State Universities. If approved students will begin being admitted in Fall 2012.

AAVSB – Proposed Bylaws Changes Reviewed, with no action taken.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: February 3, 2011

ADJOURN: 12:20 a.m.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

02/15/2011 (ss) Terry Shields, DVM
Date Approved Chairperson, Veterinary Physician Board

02/15/2011 (ss) Clyde Ormond
Date Approved Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &
Professional Licensing