

**KANSAS BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS**  
**KBVE Board Meeting**  
**Monday, October 2, 2023, 10:00 AM**  
**In Person: Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine**  
**Boehringer Ingelheim Auditorium**  
**1800 Denison Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas**  
**Microsoft Teams: By Invitation**

This meeting of the Kansas Board of Veterinary Examiners (KBVE) was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by board President, Dr. Leann Flowers. The meeting was held in person and via Microsoft Teams. Board members participating in addition to Dr. Flowers were Dr. Paul Ritter, Dr. Sheila Dodson, Dr. Amy Ekerberg, Dr. Larry Snyder, Dr. Beth Covington, and Mr. Joe Allen. Also present were Kevin Fowler, Konrad Coe, Matthew Provencher, Jessica Wrosch, Dr. Mark Olson, and Mary Berg from the Kansas Veterinary Technician's Association. Megan Kilgore from the Kansas Veterinary Medical Association attended via Microsoft Teams. Several veterinary students, faculty, and administrators from the KSU-CVM attended in person.

Dr. Flowers welcomed and thanked those in attendance and expressed appreciation for the KSU-CVM to allow the KBVE to hold this board meeting with the students at the veterinary school.

Dr. Snyder moved to adopt the agenda and Mr. Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Flowers welcomed Mary Berg with the KVTA, Megan Kilgore with the KVMA and the KSU-CVM veterinary students, faculty, and administration in attendance. There were no public comments.

Dr. Dodson moved to approve the board minutes as written from the August 2, 2023, meeting. Dr. Covington seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no dissenting votes.

Jessica Wrosch, Administrative Specialist, presented the licensed veterinarian and registered veterinary technician report from the KBVE office. There are presently 2,797 licensed veterinarians and 730 registered veterinary technicians.

Konrad Coe, Inspector, presented the current premise audit report. There are 640 veterinary premises currently registered.

Matthew Provencher, Investigator, presented the current investigations status report. There have been 64 complaints received for calendar year 2023.

Dr. Olson presented the Executive Director report. The KBVE budget was submitted to the Division of Budget office in September. The KBVE website has a new listing of all current registered veterinary premises. The Board of Pharmacy held a joint meeting with the DEA, the KVMA Executive Director and the KBVE Executive Director to better understand the usage of Xylazine in veterinary medicine. The abuse of Xylazine with Fentanyl and other human drugs was reported by the DEA to be a powder form mixed with Fentanyl as opposed to the liquid form used in veterinary medicine. The KBVE has submitted the HB 2066 report on the expedited military license required to submit to the Kansas legislature each year. A special thanks was given to Dean Bonnie Rush and Assistant Dean James Roush for allowing the KBVE to hold this board meeting with the attendance of veterinary students, faculty, and administrators of the KSU-CVM.

Megan Kilgore, Executive Director for the KVMA, reported that elections for the KVMA will be taking place in January 2024. The AVMA alternate delegate from the KVMA is Dr. Roxanne Witt and the AVMA delegate is Dr. Patti Burris. Information was shared about the FMLRP removal of the federal tax and HB 2437 involving inspections of facilities under the KDA-AFI program. She also reported attending the joint meeting involving Xylazine in veterinary medicine and the town hall virtual meetings held with the KBVE about modernizing the Kansas veterinary practice act statutes.

KVTA member, Mary Berg, presented the KBVE with an update on discussions involving modernizing the veterinary practice act statutes in Kansas, work being done to educate the veterinary profession about utilizing veterinary technicians and the role of veterinary technicians in veterinary clinics and hospitals.

Board members Allen, Dodson, Covington, Ekerberg and Flowers, as well as legal counsel Kevin Fowler and Dr. Olson all gave reports from information they learned while attending the recent AAVSB annual conference in Kansas City.

Board member Allen presented to the students "Key ideas for students to think about from a board members perspective." After this presentation he was excused from the meeting at 11:35 am.

Dr. Flowers called for a 10-minute break at 11:35 a.m.

Dr. Flowers reconvened the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Dr. Olson presented the budget report for FY 2024 and FY 2025. Dr. Ekerberg moved to approve the budget and it was seconded by Dr. Dodson. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

The board reviewed the updated 10-2-2023 statute draft updated language since the last board meeting. Dr. Ekerberg moved and Dr. Covington seconded the motion to approve the updated 10-2-2023 statute draft language considerations to modernize the statutes reviewed by the board with language to be reviewed by legal counsel. The motion passed on a voice vote with no dissenting votes. When this is completed, the updated statute language draft will be sent out to all the stakeholders for a period of public comment.

Dr. Olson reported that the KVMA, KVTA, KDA, and the KSU-CVM have all added suggestions to the draft modernized statutes.

Board members Ekerberg, Dodson, Flowers, Ritter, Covington, and Snyder shared with the veterinary students "Key ideas for students to think about from a board members perspective." Following the presentations there was a period for the students to ask questions to the board members.

The board will hold the next board meeting at Three Rivers, 504 Miller Drive, Wamego, Kansas on December 6, 2023, beginning at 10:00 am.

Dr. Ekerberg moved to adjourn the meeting and Dr. Ritter seconded the motion. Motion was approved on a voice vote with no dissenting votes.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm

Signed: Sean Flowers DVM Date: 12-6-23