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# VETERINARY MEDICAL BOARD TELECONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES

Pursuant to Governor Gavin Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20, issued on March 17, 2020, the Veterinary Medical Board met via teleconference/WebEx Events with no physical public locations on **Thursday**, **June 4, 2020**.

#### 9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 4, 2020

## 1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Establishment of a Quorum

Dr. Jaymie Noland called the Veterinary Medical Board (Board) meeting to order at 9:20 a.m. Executive Officer Jessica Sieferman called roll; seven members of the Board were present, and a quorum was established. Jennifer Loredo, RVT, was absent.

#### **Board Members Present**

Jaymie Noland, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM), President Kathy Bowler, Public Member, Vice President Christina Bradbury, DVM Mark Nunez, DVM Dianne Prado, Public Member Cheryl Waterhouse, DVM Alana Yanez, Public Member

#### Staff Present

Jessica Sieferman, Executive Officer
Timothy Rodda, Administration/Licensing Manager
Patty Rodriguez, Hospital Inspection Program Manager
Robert Stephanopoulos, Enforcement Manager
Dillon Christensen, Enforcement Analyst
Virginia Gerard, Probation Monitor
Kimberly Gorski, Enforcement Analyst
Fredy Olea-Gaspar, Enforcement Analyst
Terry Perry, Enforcement Technician
Kim Phillips-Francis, Enforcement Technician
Justin Sotelo, Lead Administrative & Policy Analyst
Tara Welch, Legal Counsel, Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA)

## **Guests Present**

Lisa Bacon, DCA, SOLID

Elizabeth Coronel

Anahita Crawford, Deputy Attorney General (DAG), Office of the Attorney General, Department of Justice

Nancy Ehrlich, California Registered Veterinary Technicians Association (CaRVTA)



Ann Fisher, DCA, SOLID

Holly Galusha, Intern Veterinarian, Medical Center for Birds

Brian J. Hosking, Petitioner

Sarah Irani, DCA, SOLID

Aubrey Jacobsen, DCA, Division of Legislative Affairs

Ann Leitz, Court Reporter

Bonnie Lutz, Esq., Klinedinst

Sue K. Morizi, DVM, Petitioner

Brittany Ortega, DCA, SOLID

Danielle Owen, DCA, SOLID

Bryce Penney, DCA, Office of Public Affairs

Heather Rowan, Administrative Law Judge (ALJ), Office of Administrative Hearings

Stephanie Salemi, DCA, SOLID

Mike Sanchez, DCA, Office of Public Affairs

Beth Schultz, Petitioner

Trisha St. Clair, Co-Moderator, DCA, SOLID

Joanne Stone

Ledy VanKavage, Senior Legislative Attorney, Best Friends Animal Society

Scott Young

Dennis Zanchi, Moderator, DCA, SOLID

Bill Zarriello, DCA, SOLID

## 2. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

Dr. Noland welcomed comments from members of the public. Ms. Holly Galusha, an intern veterinarian, indicated that she had questions and wanted to express a concern. She stated that she is transitioning her intern license to a full California license, but she was struggling with resources to make that transition.

Due to a technical issue, Ms. Galusha was disconnected from the meeting. Ms. Sieferman indicated that Mr. Rodda would contact Ms. Galusha and address her questions or issues.

Ms. Alana Yanez asked that the Board acknowledge the social uprisings that were currently taking place, and that Public Comment be concluded with one minute of silence in memory of George Floyd.

#### 3. Future Agenda Items

No future agenda items were discussed by the Board.

#### 4. Special Order of Business

Dr. Noland indicated that the petitioners would be heard in a different order due to privacy issues, and then turned the meeting over to ALJ Heather Rowan.

# A. \*Petition for Reinstatement – Brian J. Hosking, Revoked Veterinarian License No. 6832

ALJ Rowan presided over the petition for reinstatement. DAG Anahita Crawford updated and presented the case against Mr. Brian Hosking. Mr. Hosking represented himself and presented his petition for reinstatement. Mr. Hosking answered questions from the DAG and members of the Board. ALJ Rowan closed the hearing.

#### B. \*Petition for Termination of Probation – Sue K. Morizi, DVM, License No. 9387

ALJ Rowan presided over the petition for termination of probation. DAG Crawford updated and presented the case against Sue Morizi, DVM. Dr. Morizi and her legal counsel, Bonnie Lutz, Esq., presented her petition for termination of probation. Dr. Morizi answered questions from the DAG and members of the Board. ALJ Rowan closed the hearing.

# C. Petition for Termination of Probation – Danielle Edwards, RVT, Registration No. 12256

The petition for termination of probation of Danielle Edwards, RVT, was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

### D. Petition for Termination of Probation – Beth Schultz, VACSP No. 3934

ALJ Rowan presided over the petition for termination of probation. DAG Crawford updated and presented the case against Ms. Beth Schultz. Ms. Schultz represented herself and presented her petition for termination of probation. Ms. Schultz answered questions from the DAG and members of the Board. ALJ Rowan closed the hearing.

Open Session recessed at 2:40 p.m.

5. Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(c)(3), the Board Will Meet in Closed Session to Deliberate and Vote on the Above Petitions and Disciplinary Matters, Including Stipulations and Proposed Decisions

Closed Session convened at 2:50 p.m.

<u>Petition for Termination of Probation – Sue K. Morizi, DVM, License No. 9387</u> The Board adopted a motion to deny the petition for termination of probation.

<u>Petition for Termination of Probation – Beth Schultz, VACSP No. 3934</u> The Board adopted a motion to grant the petition for termination of probation.

<u>Petition for Reinstatement – Brian J. Hosking, Revoked Veterinarian License No. 6832</u> The Board adopted a motion to deny the petition for reinstatement. In the Matter of the Third Amended Accusation and Petition to Revoke Probation Against Thomas Sommers Jenkins, DVM, License No. 7227, and Canyon Veterinary Hospital, Premises Registration No. 6808 – Case No. 1002051061

The Board adopted a motion to adopt the proposed decision.

Closed Session adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

6. Adjournment Upon Conclusion of Business – Due to technological limitations, adjournment will not be broadcast. Adjournment will immediately follow Closed Session, and there will be no other items of business discussed.

Open Session reconvened at 5:15 p.m.

Dr. Noland adjourned the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

\*Agenda items for this meeting were taken out of order. The order of business conducted herein follows the publicly noticed Board meeting Agenda.

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