



The Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board

77 South High Street, 16th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-6108



MEETING MINUTES March 10, 2021

1. Call to Order: Teams Conference Meeting

After opening the meeting with the reading of the Board mission statement, Dr. O'Connor, President of the Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board called the March 10, 2021 conference call meeting to order at 08:30 a.m.

2. Roll Call:

Dr. Matthew Verbsky, DVM	present
Dr. Craig Miesse, DVM	absent
Ms. Dianne Jones, RVT	present
Dr. Nancy O'Connor, DVM	present
Dr. Kimberly Riker-Brown, DVM	present
Ms. Susan Pohler, JD	present
Dr. Scott Myers, DVM	present

3. Acknowledge Staff, AAG & Guests:

Dr. O'Connor acknowledged the attendance of Theresa Stir, Executive Director, Lydia Arko-Zigler, Assistant Attorney General, Joseph McClain, Licensure Coordinator and guests in attendance.

4. **Meeting Minutes:** Dr. O'Connor moved to approve the February 10, 2021 board minutes. Dr. Riker-Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – abstain, Ms. Pohler – aye, Dr. O'Connor – aye.

5. **President's Report:** None

6. **Vice President's Report:** None

7. **Secretary's Report:** None

8. **OVMA Liaison:** Jack Advent, OVMA Executive Director, provided an update on Legislation and Rules that impact the practice of veterinary medicine and the recent Midwest Veterinary Conference.

9. **OAVT Liaison:** None

10. Executive Director Report:

- A. Directives – Ms. Stir reported that the February meeting Directives have been completed.
- B. ICVA Agreement - Dr. Riker-Brown moved to approve the NAVLE agreement with the ICVA. Dr. O’Connor seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye, Dr. O’Connor – aye.
- C. Indiana Action- The Board was provided with a copy of a Cease & Desist Order from the State of Indiana Office of the Attorney General to Dr. Alvin Burger, DVM for practicing unlicensed medicine. Dr. Burger does not hold a valid license in the State of Ohio.
- D. Euthanasia Rule- Ms. Stir sought clarification of the appropriate classification of drugs for the draft euthanasia rule to comply with recently enacted law.

11. FYI: The Board acknowledged the following:

- A. AAVSB News

12. Requests for Licensure:

Dr. Riker-Brown moved to approve the following requests for licensure.

FAC.00279	Christine Lynn Freedman
RVT.09095	Erin E Rader
RVT.09104	Hailey Renee Bowman
RVT.09098	Emma Speary
RVT.09099	Jason Eric Malkes
RVT.09105	Brooke Davis
RVT.09101	Onyx Hamardelabrethoniere
RVT.09097	Elizabeth Grace Hembree
RVT.09092	Jessica Louise Katrine
RVT.09107	Megan Nicole Calliccoat
RVT.09096	Megan Reann Petit
RVT.09103	DeShawn Kara Sue Weidner
RVT.09102	Melinda Ritchie
RVT.09093	SARAH CARPENTER
RVT.09094	Jessica Ruth Suber
RVT.09106	Morgan Amber Matyus
RVT.09108	Courtney Bell Steck
RVT.09100	Samantha Storey
VET.202348	Angela Pashaian
VET.202347	Bailey Butts

VET.202343	Katie Erin Speller
VET.202351	Caroline Elizabeth Parker
VET.202344	Hannah Marie Naples
VET.202350	Meredith Lynn Freeland
VET.202346	Betsy A Pray
VET.202345	LaKeisha Tatiana Navarrete
VET.202349	Natalie See-Ming Chow

Dr. Verbsky seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.

13. Renewals – Veterinarians: None

14. Correspondence Received: None

15. Consideration Of:

A. Medical Records –

1. 19-20-133, William Trouten, DVM - Dr. Verbsky moved to find the records acceptable. Dr. Riker-Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.

B. Notice of Opportunity for Hearing

1. 20-20-007, Ronald Budz, DVM
2. 20-21-153, Rick Daugherty, DVM
3. 20-21-179. Dan Schramm, DVM
4. 20-21-186, Lonnie Davis, DVM

C. Hearing Scheduling Letters

1. 18-19-127, 20-20-036, Bharat Khemsara, DVM

16. New Complaints:

- A. 21-21-020, Complainant Amanda Lewis - Dr. Riker-Brown moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.
- B. 21-21-024, Complainant Jill Wyckoff - Dr. Riker-Brown moved to have a compliance inspection preformed. Dr. Verbsky seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.

- C. 21-21-025, Complainant Holly Paynter - Dr. Verbsky moved to find no jurisdiction of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Riker-Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.
- D. 21-21-027, Complainant Teresa Tracy - Dr. Riker-Brown moved to find no jurisdiction of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Verbsky seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.

17. Complaint Responses Received:

- A. 20-21-182, Complainant Andrea Duncan - Dr. Verbsky abstained from the conversation. Dr. Riker-Brown moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – abstain, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye, Dr. O'Connor – aye.
- B. 20-21-183, Complainant Toby Sturgill - Dr. Riker-Brown moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.
- C. 20-21-190, complainant Kim Pfahl –Dr. Riker-Brown moved to issue a Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing for violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Ms. Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.
- D. 20-21-195, complainant Kyle Edwards - Dr. Riker-Brown moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC and to send an advisory letter. Dr. O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.
- E. 20-21-197, complainant Anonymous– Dr. Riker-Brown moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC and to send an advisory letter. Dr. Verbsky seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.
- F. 21-21-001, complainant Constance Cashen – The Board moved the table the case.
- G. 21-21-003, complainant Ron/Cindy Tritch – Dr. Riker-Brown moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC and to send an advisory letter. Ms. Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.
- H. 21-21-005, complainant Crystal Thompson-Wiltrout – Dr. Verbsky abstained from the conversation. Dr. Riker-Brown moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr.

O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – abstain, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye, Dr. O'Connor – aye.

- I. 21-21-007, complainant Christine Terec - Dr. Riker-Brown moved to find no jurisdiction of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Verbsky seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.
- J. 21-21-008, complainant Gary Goodwin – Dr. Verbsky abstained from the conversation. Dr. Riker-Brown moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – abstain, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye, Dr. O'Connor – aye.
- K. 21-21-010, complainant Katelyn Clour - Dr. Riker-Brown moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Verbsky seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.
- L. 21-21-009, complainant Candace Mclane – Dr. Riker-Brown moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Verbsky seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.
- M. 21-21-011, complainant Chafic & Sheila Zenni – Dr. Verbsky abstained from the conversation. Dr. Riker-Brown moved to issue a Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing for violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye, Dr. O'Connor – aye.

18. Compliance Inspections: None

19. Request for Reconsideration: None

20. Tabled Cases:

- A. 20-21-168, Complainant Amy Gladstone - Dr. Riker-Brown moved to issue a Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing for violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Ms. Pohler seconded the motion. The motion failed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – no, Dr. Myers – abstain, Dr. O'Connor – aye. The motion failed due to lack of veterinarian quorum. The Board moved to table the case and obtain additional information.

21. Assistant Attorney General Report:

At 9:39 a.m., Dr. Verbsky made a motion to enter into executive session in accordance with ORC 121.22(G)(3) to discuss pending legal matters. Dr. Riker-Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.

Dr. O'Connor announces that the meeting is back in public session at 10:28 a.m.

- A. 20-21-088, Surinder Chauhan, DVM - Dr. Riker-Brown moved to ratify the Settlement Agreement as presented. Ms. Pohler seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.
- B. 17-17-007, Tina Lauria, RVT – Ms. Pohler moved to automatically suspend RVT.4321 in accordance with Chapter 119 ORC. Dr. Riker-Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – abstain, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye, Dr. O'Connor - aye.

22. Investigative Reports:

- A. 20-21-144, complainant Ohio Department of Agriculture – Dr. Verbsky moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC and to send an advisory letter. Dr. Riker-Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye.
- B. 20-21-145, complainant Jill Hohenbrink – The Board moved to table the case to obtain additional information.

23. Continuing Education Approval Requests:

Ms. Jones moved to approve the following CE with changes.

- A. American Association for laboratory Animal Science –
 - 1. When the Odds are Not in Your Favor: Lessons Learned from Small Scale Disasters – 12/1/20 = 2 hours **Non-Medical**
 - 2. Best Practices for Inflammation Based Animal Models – 12/2/20 = 2 hours
 - 3. 2020 Pathology Quiz Bowl – 12/1/20 = 1 hour
 - 4. The Future of the Guide – 12/3/2020 = 1 hour
 - 5. Risk Assessment and Decontamination in Laboratory Animal Research – 12/7/20 = 1.5 hours
 - 6. Creative and Economical Solutions for an Occupational Health Program – 12/15/20 = 1 hour
- B. Care Center – Patient Safety – 2/2/21 = 1 hour
- C. Zoetis – Be Successful on Purpose – 2/16/21 = 1 hour **Non-Medical**

D. Cincinnati Veterinary Medical Association – Separation Anxiety in a Post-Covid World – 3/23/21 = 2 hours

E. Animal Eye Institute –

1. Discussion of Current Veterinary Ophthalmology Literature – multiple = 1 hour

2. Discussion of Ocular Pathology – multiple = 1 hour

F. VCA Great Lakes Veterinary Specialists – Anesthetic Complications & Troubleshooting – 2/18/21 = 1 hour

G. Royal Veterinary College – Exotic Animal Nursing Online – 2/8-3/21/21 = **Hour for Hour**

H. Victoria Stilwell Academy for Dog Training and Behavior – International Dog Behavior Conference – 4/16-18/21 = **Hour for Hour**

Dr. Riker-Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Riker-Brown – aye, Dr. Verbsky – aye, Ms. Jones – aye, Dr. Myers – aye, Ms. Pohler – aye,

24. Euthanasia Course: None

25. Old Business: None

26. New Business: None

27. Adjournment: The Board adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

28. Next Board Meeting:

Dr. O'Connor acknowledged that the next Board meeting is scheduled for April 14, 2021, beginning at 8:30 a.m. via TEAMS meeting.

Dr. Nancy O'Connor, President

Date

Attested to by:

Theresa Stir, Esq.
Executive Director