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DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL & FINANCIAL REGULATION  
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL REGULATION  
BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE



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Commissioner

Penny Vaillancourt  
Director

**BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE  
PUBLIC BOARD MEETING  
August 13, 2025**

**Location:**

*Physical Location:* Androscoggin Conference Room at the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Gardiner Annex, 76 Northern Avenue, Gardiner, ME

**Time:** 11:30 a.m.

*Virtual Zoom Link:*

<https://mainestate.zoom.us/j/86737450415?pwd=7rW0WYbRVfl64GmAYc3QJSnNwXKNTN.1>

The Zoom link for virtual observation is also posted on the board's website

<https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/board-veterinary-medicine>

**Board Member Participation:**

Board members may participate remotely in Board meetings pursuant to Title 1, Section 403-B and the Board Member Remote Participation Policy adopted by the Board on May 3, 2023.

**Public Participation:**

Regardless of whether the Board meets in-person or by remote virtual means via Zoom, the public may observe the board meeting in-person at the location described above or may choose to join virtually (see the link above).

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. OPOR DIRECTOR REPORT**

Penny Vaillancourt

**III. ATTORNEY GENERAL REPORT**

Tim Steigelman - PFR Division Chief

**IV. MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

1. April 30, 2025

**V. 2026 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE**

Office Location: 76 Northern Avenue, Gardiner, Maine 04345

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**VI. COMPLAINT PRESENTATION(S) AND BOARD ACTION**

1. 2025 VET 20660
2. 2025 VET 20671
3. 2025 VET 20773

**VII. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**VIII. APPLICATION REVIEW AND BOARD ACTION**

*Presenter, Dominic Cotone, Comprehensive Health Planner I*

1. Eric D. Twitchell (Renewal)
2. Marion H. Sears (Renewal)
3. Emmanuelle Claire Beaulieu Nyhus (Initial)

**IX. REQUEST FOR ADVISORY RULING**

1. Nancy Daniels – Maine Federation of Maine Dog Clubs

**X. REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION**

1. Sonja Alhberg – License No. TC1001159

**XI. TRAVEL**

AAVSB Annual Meeting & Conference  
September 17-20, 2025 – Cincinnati, OH

**XII. PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT**

(Board Chair Statement) “Under this item, the Board will offer an opportunity to members of the public in attendance to comment on any public matter under the jurisdiction of the Board. While the Board cannot take action on any issues presented, nor can it respond to or debate decisions made today, including matters relating to complaints cases. The board will listen to comments and may ask staff to place the issue on a subsequent agenda. At the discretion of the Board, a time limit on comments may be set.”

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Pursuant to 1 M.R.S. §406 public notice has been met by publication in an area newspaper where the meeting is held and in the Maine Legislative Calendar. Meetings are open to members of the public for observation, but not for public participation. Please contact Meagan McLaughlin if you wish to confirm this meeting date or check our web site at: [www.maine.gov/professionallicensing](http://www.maine.gov/professionallicensing)

The Board may address agenda items out of sequence to accommodate persons appearing before the Board or to aid in the efficiency of effectiveness of the meeting. The Board may combine two or more agenda items for consideration. The Board may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time.

