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Maine Board of Veterinary Medicine  
Minutes of March 5, 2025, Board Meeting

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board Chair Donald Hoenig called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Donald Hoenig, VMD, Chair  
Peter Davis, DVM, Vice Chair  
Douglas Andrews, DVM, Complaint Officer  
Matthew Townsend, DVM

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Charmaine Brown, DVM

**STAFF PRESENT**

Geraldine L. Betts, Administrator  
John Belisle, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel  
Meagan McLaughlin, Comprehensive Health Planner II  
Dominic Cotone, Comprehensive Health Planner I  
Celia Robinson, Comprehensive Health Planner I

**MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

December 4, 2024

Townsend moved to accept the minutes of December 4, 2024, as written, seconded by Davis. Andrews and Hoenig in favor, Brown absent.

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

*2024-VET-19877*

Townsend moved to schedule 2024-VET-19877 for an adjudicatory hearing and to offer a Consent Agreement to include the following: 1) Admission to violation of Board Rule Chapter 5, Section 2; 2) Probation of licensure for a period of one (1) year to include 3 (three) hours pre-approved continued education on the topic of recordkeeping. Continuing education must be R.A.C.E approved or equivalent. Continuing education and proof of completion to be submitted within 6 (six) months of the fully executed Consent Agreement; and 3)

Records submission for review and approval. Licensee shall submit 2 (two) records per quarter for a period of 12 months, one (1) to include an entry of a sick pet visit and 1(one) to include a veterinary technician visit and signature review of follow up notes from the licensee, to be reviewed by Complaint Officer. Seconded by Davis. Hoenig in favor, Complaint Officer Andrews abstained, Brown absent.

#### 2024-VET-20249

Davis moved to schedule 2024-VET-20249 for an adjudicatory hearing and to offer a Consent Agreement to include the following: 1) Admission to 2 (two) violations of 32 M.R.S. § 4864(8) and Board Rule Chapter 5, Section 2; 2) Continuing Education, 6 (six) hours pre-approved continued education on the topic of recordkeeping. Continued education must be R.A.C.E approved or equivalent. Continuing education and proof of completion to be submitted within 120 days of the fully executed Consent Agreement. Seconded by Townsend. Hoenig in favor, Complaint Officer Andrews abstained, Brown absent.

#### 2024-VET-20302

Davis moved to dismiss 2024-VET-20302 with no evidence of a violation of the Board's Statutes, Rules or Code of Ethics, seconded by Townsend. Hoenig in favor, Complaint Officer Andrews abstained, Brown absent.

### **REGULATORY BOARD MANAGER REPORT ON COMPLAINT CASE MONITORING**

The Board voted to table this matter to a later Board meeting where all members are present.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The Board voted to table this matter to a later Board meeting where all members are present.

### **APPLICATION REVIEW AND BOARD ACTION**

#### Samara L. Parker

Davis moved to approve and issue licensure to Samara L. Parker, License No. VT2764, seconded by Townsend. Andrews and Hoenig in favor, Brown absent.

#### Laura Edelbaum

Davis moved to approve and issue licensure to Laura Edelbaum, License No. VT1732, seconded by Andrews. Hoenig and Townsend in favor, Brown absent.

#### Nicole R. Craft

Davis moved to approve and issue licensure with letter to Nicole R. Craft, License No. VT2329. Letter to advise licensee to adhere to Board of Veterinary Medicine laws and rules, seconded by Townsend. Andrews and Hoenig in favor, Brown absent.

#### Taylor J. Campbell

Townsend moved to approve and issue licensure with letter to Taylor J. Campbell, License No. TC10010833. Letter to advise licensee to adhere to Board of Veterinary Medicine laws and rules, seconded by Davis. Andrews and Hoenig in favor, Brown absent.



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Diana Velez

Andrews moved to accept the alternate education and approve Diana Velez to sit for the Veterinary Technician Nation Examination (VTNE). Seconded by Townsend. Davis nad Hoenig in favor, Brown absent.

### **REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION –**

Federation of Maine Dog Clubs

The Board agreed they cannot legally advise on this matter and will require a formal letter to request an advisory ruling.

### **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.”

Christopher Kane of Mount Desert Island, Maine. Mr. Kane addressed the Board by stating he was unhappy with the outcome of his complaint and felt his case was mishandled.

### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business to discuss, Townsend moved to adjourn at 11:08a.m., seconded by Davis. Andrews nad Hoenig in favor, Brown absent.

*Prepared By: Meagan McLaughlin, Comprehensive Health Planner II*

*Board approved: April 30, 2025*

