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# **Board of Veterinary Medicine**

899 NORTH CAPITOL STREET, NE  
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WASHINGTON, DC 20002

**BOARD MEETING**

**OPEN SESSION**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**November 19, 2015**

**9:30am-12:30pm**



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BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:		
	ARUNA NOON KAMPANI, DVM -CHAIRPERSON	P
	LISA LAFONTAINE- VICE CHAIRPERSON CONSUMER MEMBER	P
	LEANNE LIPTON, BS, DVM, CVA, CVSMT, CVC, CVTN, CVFT-BOARD MEMBER	
	ASHLEY GALLAGHER, DVM-BOARD MEMBER	P
STAFF:	SHARON LEWIS,DHA-RN-BC, CPM- INTERIM SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR	EA
	VITO DELVENTO, DVM, MS-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	
KEY CODES P-PRESENT A-ABSENT EA-EXCUSED ABSENCE P-VIA CONFERENCE CALL	EMILIA MORAN, INVESTIGATOR(MARK DONATELLI WILL BE SITTING IN ON BEHALF OF INVESTIGATOR MORAN)	P
	SHAKIRA RICHARDSON, INVESTIGATOR	EA
	LAKISHA THOMPSON, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST ANTOINETTE STOKES, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	P
	DIANE MOORER, IT SPECIALIST	P
LEGAL STAFF:	PANRAVEE VONGJAROENRAT, ESQ, BOARD ATTORNEY	P



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<b><u>BOARD MEMBERS:</u></b>	
DR. ARUNA NOON KAMPANI (AK)	OS-1119-01, OS-1119-06, OS-1119-09, OS-1119-10, OS-1119-11, OS-1119-12, OS-1119-13, OS-1119-15, OS-1119-16
LISA LAFONTAINE (LL)	OS-1119-09, OS-1119-10, OS-1119-11, OS-1119-12, OS-1119-13, OS-1119-14, OS-1119-15, OS-1119-16
DR. LEANNE LIPTON (DLL)	OS-1119-09, OS-1119-10, OS-1119-11, OS-1119-12, OS-1119-13, OS-1119-14, OS-1119-15, OS-1119-16
DR. ASHLEY GALLAGHER (AG)	OS-1119-09, OS-1119-10, OS-1119-11, OS-1119-12, OS-1119-13, OS-1119-14, OS-1119-15, OS-1119-16
<b><u>BOV STAFF:</u></b>	
SHARON LEWIS, DHA-RN- BC, CPM (SL)	OS-1119-02, OS-1119-09, OS-1119-10, OS-1119-11, OS-1119-12, OS-1119-13, OS-1119-15, OS-1119-16
DR. VITO DELVENTO (VDV)	OS-1119-03, OS-1119-08, OS-1119-09, OS-1119-10, OS-1119-11, OS-1119-12, OS-1119-13, OS-1119-15, OS-1119-16
EMILIA MORAN (EM)	OS-1119-09, OS-1119-10, OS-1119-11, OS-1119-12, OS-1119-13, OS-1119-15, OS-1119-16
PANRAVEE VONGJAROENRAT (PV)	OS-1119-05, OS-1119-09, OS-1119-10, OS-1119-11, OS-1119-12, OS-1119-13, OS-1119-15, OS-1119-16
SHAKIRA RICHARDSON (SR)	OS-1119-04, OS-1119-09, OS-1119-10, OS-1119-11, OS-1119-12, OS-1119-13, OS-1119-15, OS-1119-16
LAKISHA THOMPSON (LT)	OS-1119-09, OS-1119-10, OS-1119-11, OS-1119-12, OS-1119-13, OS-1119-15, OS-1119-16
ANTOINETTE STOKES (AS)	OS-1119-09, OS-1119-10, OS-1119-11, OS-1119-12, OS-1119-13, OS-1119-17



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<p>OS-1119-01 AK</p>	<p><u>INTRODUCTION-REPORTS</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. CALL TO ORDER-9:52 AM</li><li>2. PRESIDING- Dr. Noon Kampani</li><li>3. MEMBERS ABSENT-None</li><li>4. MEMBERS PRESENT- Note list above</li><li>5. QUORUM-Yes</li><li>6. STAFF PRESENT-Note list above</li><li>7. PUBLIC ATTENDANCE-None</li></ol>	
<p>OS-1119-02</p>	<p><u>SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S REPORT -SDD</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. DelVento informed the Board that Dr. Lewis is the interim SDD of HRLA and her intentions were to come and meet the Board members today, However, she was in a meeting that lasted longer than expected.</li></ul>	<p>SL</p>
<p>OS-1119-03</p>	<p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT-ED</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Census Report</li><li>• Dr. DelVento shared with the Board that there are 302 licensees under our purview.</li><li>• Dr. DelVento also stated that we (veterinarians) are in a renewal period we have not had any indications of problems with the process.</li><li>• Dr. Kampani (chairperson) asked the ED if he had any idea of the turn-around-time pertaining to our licensees undergoing a Criminal Background Check (CBC). He stated that it's typically relatively quick however; licensees that reside in the commonwealth of Virginia typically have a slightly longer time.</li><li>• The Board's attorney weighed in and stated that the licensees that don't renew their licenses by December</li></ul>	<p>VDV</p>



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	<p>31, 2015 have a 60 day grace period to renew. However, there is a late fee that will be added.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. DelVento also shared with the Board that HRLA is continually streamlining the renewal process therefore; all license renewals will be uniform.</li></ul>	
OS-1119-04	<p><u>ANIMAL SERVICES PROGRAM REPORT -ASP</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. DelVento stated the ASP is very busy and an up-tick alert was sent out to the residents of the District. The alert was pertaining to the increase of newly reported cases of parvovirus. The alert was to be proactive; however; some of the information was not correctly reported. The message sent reported an epidemic in ticks. ASP did receive positive feedback. The key awareness factors surrounding ticks were mainly to ensure that pet owners were current on their pets' vaccinations. He also stated is now setting certain parameters pertaining to their dog parks.</li><li>• He also shared with the Board that he was approached by someone interested in opening up an inside dog park. This is an inquiry of the preliminary stages at this juncture.</li></ul>	SR
OS-1119-05	<p><u>BOARD COUNSELOR'S REPORT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• None</li></ul>	PV
OS-1119-06 AK	<p><u>BOARD CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The chairperson stated that she did not have any updates currently. Dr. DelVento stated that veterinarian technician vacancy is still vacant for this Board. Moreover, MOTA has reported that an individual has already been appointed and is officially waiting council to grant the official approval.</li></ul>	
OS-1119-07	<p><u>COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• None</li></ul>	
OS-1119-08	<p><u>Housekeeping</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Board's next scheduled meeting will be held on December 17, 2015.</li></ul>	VDV



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Board moved to resume holding their Board meeting monthly. Seconded: Passed: Unanimously</li></ul>	
OS-1119-09 ALL	<p><b><u>APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></b></p> <p>Consideration of the September 24, 2015, Open Session meeting minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Motion: The Board moved to approve the September 24, 2015 Open Session meeting minutes with minor edits.</b> Seconded: Passed: Unanimously</li></ul>	
OS-1119-10 ALL	<p><b><u>Open Session Consent Agenda</u></b></p> <p>There are no Consent Agenda Items.</p>	
OS-1119-11 ALL	<p><b><u>AAVSB/NBVME Topics</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b><u>2015 NAVLE Scores to both candidates and licensing Boards-Update-FYI</u></b></li><li><b><u>2014-2015 NBVME Stakeholder Report-Update-FYI</u></b></li><li><b><u>National Meeting-Update-FYI</u></b></li><li>Dr. DelVento attended in a focus group meeting along with a number of other ED's. The meeting was held in Philadelphia and one of the key discussions was the existing NAVLE exam design.</li><li>Dr. DelVento recently attended the Veterinary Hospital Managers Association (VHMA) meeting in which our counterpart states were in attendance as well: Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia.</li><li>Dr. Kampani stated that the conference is held annually during the first week in November and recommended that Board members try to attend next year as it will be held in DC.</li><li>Dr. DelVento stated that the temporary law to allow animals in the school is scheduled to expire on 12/10/15. After 12/11/15 no animals will be legally</li></ul>	



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	allowed in the schools. He is hopeful; however, that this temporary law will become permanent and alleviate interruptions of permits in the schools in the future.	
OS-1119-12 ALL	<u>DCRx Background-FYI</u>	
OS-1119-13 ALL	<u>City Wildlife Newsletter-FYI</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>	
OS-1119-14 LL/DLL AG	<u>Subcommittee Updates</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Veterinarian –Tech Subcommittee</u></li><li>• Ms. LaFontaine stated that the committee met on Monday, November 2, 2015 and a lot was accomplished pertaining to the implementation of vet techs.</li><li>• <u>Regulations Subcommittee</u></li><li>• Dr. Lipton stated that the regulations committee is very close to submitting the revised regulations but a few more meetings will be needed.</li></ul>	
OS-1119-15 ALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>DC support for Veterinary Student to attend VA/MD Vet School</u></li><li>• Dr. DelVento informed the Board that they are going to get a letter from WHS pertaining to this subject matter because WHS is in full support of a DC applicant to attend the VA and MD vet school.</li><li>• Ms. Lafontaine, CEO of the WHS, is also in support of this agenda topic.</li></ul>	
OS-1119-16 ALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Telemedicine Consulting Laws</u></li><li>• Dr. DelVento stated that he is in receipt of an email inquiry related to telemedicine for patients in DC.</li><li>• It was determined that a service by this Veterinary Radiologist is not in conflict with Telemedicine restriction.</li><li>• The Board stated that Telemedicine will be revisited upon further research as to what other states have guidelines as of concern is the VCPR statute.</li></ul>	



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OS-0924-17	<u>Reading of Open Session Motions</u>	AS
	<p>This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting, and pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b), and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will now move into the Open Session portion of the meeting.</p>	