# INDIANA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS AGENDA

# Will meet on Wednesday, August 18, 2021 At 8:00 a.m.

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THE MEETING

### I. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

8:00 a.m.

Dr. Jerry Rodenbarger called the meeting to order at 8:06 a.m. through virtual video and audio conferencing and declared a quorum in accordance with Indiana Code § 25-38.1-2-5 (c)

#### **Board Members Present:**

Jerry Rodenbarger, D.V.M. – Chair Paul Clemente, D.V.M. – Vice Chair Steven Sunbury, D.V.M. John Schnarr, D.V.M. Natalie Goodwin, Consumer Member Bret Marsh, D.V.M., State Veterinarian, BOAH

# **Board Members Not Present:**

Vacant, R.V.T. Member Vacant, D.V.M Member Vacant, D.V.M Member

## **State Officials Present:**

Cindy Vaught, Board Director, Professional Licensing Agency Dana Brooks, Assistant Board Director, Professional Licensing Agency Clarence Leatherbury, Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

## II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made and accepted to accept the agenda as amended.

Schnarr/Clemente Motion carried 5/0/0

#### III. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded to accept the October 28, 2020, minutes as edited.

Sunbury/Clemente Motion carried 5/0/0

A motion was made and seconded to accept the January 20, 2021, minutes as edited.

Schnarr/Sunbury Motion carried 5/0/0

A motion was made and seconded to accept the April 28, 2021 minutes as edited.

Sunbury/Clemente
Motion carried 5/0/0

#### IV. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

A. Probation 8:00 a.m.

 Ericka R. Bates, D.V.M., License No. 24007619A Cause No. 2019 VB 0015

Dr. Bates appeared as requested with her counsel Rori Goldman. Dr. Bates informed the Board about her progress with performing surgeries. Currently she is employed at Hope for Animals and working on her skills with opening surgeries for spade and neutering procedures. She is currently working on progressing towards the closing part of surgeries. Dr. Bates informed the Board that she has an assistant who is with her and does the closing for her. The Board noted that they have received her quarterly reports, and Dr. Bates clarified that a number of surgeries where due to volunteer work as the pandemic made meeting her quota needed for the Board a struggle. Ms. Goldman stated that in the Board's Order that they would consider Dr. Bates to allow assisted surgeries for the rest of 2021 but could potentially be solo surgeon in 2022 after the first meeting of the year. The Board stated that they currently have no objection to that projection based upon the reports that have been submitted. Dr. Bates is scheduled to appear at the next scheduled

## B. Examination Retakes – VTNE & NAVLE

8:00 a.m.

1. Kaylin Ann Dyman (RVT)

Board meeting.

Ms. Dyman appeared as requested to discuss her request to take the VTNE for the 4<sup>th</sup> time. Ms. Dyman graduated with her Associate degree 3 years ago, and during that time, she learned the benefits of trying to get her license. She stated that she has bounced around a few different employers and is currently working at Urgent Care. The Board noted a drop on one exam attempt and asked for more clarification. Ms. Dyman stated that her exam attempt at that time was rushed, and she did not take the exam seriously as she was currently working in the field. Ms. Dyman stated that she feels better about this exam attempt as she is surrounded by coworkers who are helping her prep for the exam.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to approve Ms. Dyman for her 4<sup>th</sup> attempt.

Schnarr/Sunbury Motion carried 5/0/0

#### C. Reinstatements

8:30 a.m.

1. Kevin Dunlavy, D.V.M., License No. 24007137A

Dr. Dunlavy appeared as requested to discuss the reinstatement of his license that expired in 2017. Dr. Dunlavy stated that he is currently working and living in Kentucky. He is employed as an equine Veterinarian in central Kentucky. He travels to various racetracks, and his intention is to work at the Indy Grand in Shelbyville. He currently has an Associate that works there. He is currently licensed in Kentucky, New Orleans, and Arkansas with no discipline.

**Board Action:** a motion was made and seconded to approve Dr. Dunlavy's reinstatement.

Sunbury/Schnarr Motion carried 4/0/1 Clemente abstained

# 2. William Meyer, D.V.M., License No. 24004959A

Dr. Meyer appeared as requested to discuss the reinstatement of his license that expired in 2017. Dr. Meyer stated that he is currently in Florida where he moved after he sold his Indiana practice in 2013. Since that time, he resided in Ohio and Arizona where he settled in Florida to support his family. Currently he has family that has moved back to the State of Indiana, and his intention is to work in South Bend doing relief work with Dr. Harris. The Board reviewed his submitted CE and stated that he has met all CE requirements.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to approve Dr. Meyer's reinstatement. Sunbury/Schnarr Motion carried 5/0/0

# D. Application 8:30 a.m.

## 1. Pasarin Aujcharyapirom (DVM)

Dr. Aujcharyapirom appeared as requested to discuss why she did not respond positive on her application. She explained that she did not disclose her background as the incident occurred 10 years ago and thought the incident was no longer in her background. She informed the Board that is was not her intention to deceive the Board. She explained that the incident occurred when she went to party with friends, and she only drinks socially. The Board asked for clarification on what safeguards she uses if she does drink. Dr. Aujcharyapirom stated that she no longer goes to clubs, and if she does go out it will be with a group. She attends mostly at home parties, or at a party where she can secure a designated driver.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to approve Dr. Aujcharyapirom's application pending passing the jurisprudence exam. Schnarr/Goodwin

Motion carried 5/0/0

## 2. Michelle Hall (RVT)

Ms. Hall appeared as requested to discuss her employment history. Based upon her employment history it appears that she has been working as Veterinarian Technician in Indiana without a license since 2016. Ms. Hall stated that she has primarily been working as a Veterinarian Assistant, and primarily working with small animals. She stated that as she has been in the field a while, she was careful regarding not doing any work as a Vet Tech. She stated that she had stopped doing Vet Tech work in 1999, and during that time she was assisting her family, raised her children, and moved overseas. She stated that she wanted to progress back to becoming a Vet Tech by starting as an Assistant and getting her skills back up.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to approve Ms. Hill's application pending passing of the jurisprudence exam. Rodenbarger/Clemente Motion carried 5/0/0

# 3. Ashli Selke (RVT)

Ms. Selke appeared as requested to discuss her yes response to question number four, "Except for minor violations of traffic laws resulting in fines, and arrests or convictions that have been expunged by a court, have you ever been arrested; have you ever entered into a prosecutorial diversion or deferment agreement regarding any offense, misdemeanor, or felony in any state; have you ever been convicted of any offense, misdemeanor, or felony in any state; have you ever pled guilty to any offense, misdemeanor, or felony in any state; or have you ever pled nolo contendere to any offense, misdemeanor, or felony in any state?" Ms. Selke stated she has recently moved to Indiana from Arkansas and was licensed there as a Certified Veterinarian Technician. Currently she is working at the Purdue Clinical Laboratory as a Coordinator and is scheduled to speak at a Purdue Veterinary Conference. Ms. Selke stated that when she was Naval service during 2012, she attended a Superbowl party, and was pulled over for a DUI. She stated that she has completed everything required by the court. She stated that she has improved since that dark time in her life and has found a good work/life balance.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to approve Ms. Selke's application pending the passing of the jurisprudence exam. Clemente/Schnarr Motion carried 5/0/0

#### V. PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS

8:30 a.m.

A. Rebecca McGovern, D.V.M., License No. 24008200A Administrative Cause No. 2020 VB 0014

#### **Parties Present:**

Respondent was not present

Aaron Kemp, counsel for Respondent Patricia Gibson, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana Margie Addington, Court Reporter, Rutledge Independent Reporting

## **Participating Board Members:**

Jerry Rodenbarger, D.V.M., (Hearing Officer) Steven Sunbury, D.V.M. Paul Clemente, D.V.M. John Schnarr, D.V.M. Natalie Goodwin, Consumer Member

Case Summary: On or about August 13, 2021, a Settlement Agreement was reached between Dr. McGovern in response to the Administrative Complaint filed on or about December 9, 2020. Dr. Rodenbarger was involved with the Settlement Agreement and stated that he can remain impartial. The State and Mr. Kemp agree with Dr. Rodenbarger's statement to be impartial. Mr. Kemp stated that Dr. McGovern has surrendered her DEA license and is willing to do what is needed to meet the Board's concerns and requirements. Both parties have agreed to the following terms:

- Dr. McGovern's license shall be placed on Indefinite Probation for no less than three (3) years.
- Dr. McGovern shall be fully compliant with her treatment program, and shall have no missed, no dilutes, and no rescheduled UD's.
- Prior to her request to withdraw her probation, Dr. McGovern shall have a
  minimum of one (1) year of full compliance with VWBP. She shall enroll in
  VWBP when requested to do so by the Board and be fully compliant with
  VWBP.
- Prior to the enrollment in VWBP:
  - Dr. McGovern shall cause Dr. Farr, or any subsequent addictionologist to administer at least monthly random UDS's for a minimum of sixteen (16) random UDS's per year
  - o If Dr. McGovern obtains veterinary employment in a location where controlled substances are present, Dr. Farr, or any subsequent addictionologist shall increase Dr. McGovern's random UDS's to a minimum of twenty-four (24) per year.
  - Dr. McGovern shall cause Dr. Farr, or any subsequent addictionologist, to submit to the Board quarterly reports regarding her compliance with the program, prognosis, and the date and result of random UDS's for that quarter
  - Or. McGovern shall obtain a sponsor and attend a Twelve Step meeting and/or a Caduceus support group, for a minimum of three (3) meetings per week.
  - o Dr. McGovern shall submit meeting attendance logs to the Board every quarter and prior to every personal appearance.
- Dr. McGovern shall not have access to controlled substances at her place of employment. After one (1) year from the date of the Final Order, Dr. McGovern may request the Board to modify this denial of access.
- Dr. McGovern must have the Board's permission prior to apply for her controlled substance registration.
- Dr. McGovern shall appear for the Board's January 2022 meeting, and then every six 6) months thereafter while she remains on probation.

- Dr. McGovern shall notify the Board of any relapse within seven (7) days.
- Dr. McGovern shall sign a release permitting Dr. Farr, any subsequest addictionologist, and VWPB to communicate with the Board regarding Dr. McGovern's treatment.
- Any failed UDS, or violation of her treatment plan will result in the Suspension of Dr. McGovern's license, pending a hearing.
- Dr. McGovern shall keep the Board apprised of her current home address, mailing address, email address, and direct or residential telephone number. If a change should occur, she shall notify the Board within seven (7) days of the change.
- Dr. McGovern shall keep the Board apprised of her place of employment, employment telephone number, employment email address, and name of supervisor. She shall notify the Board within seven (7) days of any change, including termination or suspension.
- Dr. McGovern shall provide a copy of all Board orders imposing discipline or limiting practice to any veterinary employ and Dr. Farr or any subsequent addictionologist other than VWBP. The veterinary employer and Dr. Farr shall sign and return a copy of such orders to the Board with letterhead, and/or business card attached with seven (7) days of employment, or the file stamped date of the Final Order. If Dr. McGovern's employment changes, then her new employer shall submit a copy of the signed Order within seven (7) days commencing her new employment. She shall also notify Dr. Farr or VWBP of the change and submit the new signed employer order to them.
- Dr. McGovern shall submit to the Board quarterly supervisory reports from all veterinary employers that address her work performance, her attendance, documentation, disciplinary actions, any missing medications, and/or any complaints made against Dr. McGovern. If she is not employed as a Veterinarian, she shall submit quarterly personal reports to the Board stating why she is not employed in her field, and the nature of her current employer. All reports must be submitted individually at the end of every quarter while Respondent's license remains on probation.
- Dr. McGovern must comply with all statue and rules governing the profession.
- Within thirty (30) days of the Final Order, Dr. McGovern shall pay a fee of \$5.00 to be deposited into the Health Records Personal Identifying Information Protection Trust Fund.

Mr. Kemp stated that Dr. McGovern is currently employed at a warehouse, and only administers COVID vaccines on a volunteer basis. He stated that she is not employed as a veterinarian and is currently enrolled in the Well Being Program. Mr. Kemp stated that Dr. McGovern finds the Well Being Program expensive but is currently enrolled. He stated that the Settlement Agreement will work for Dr. McGovern if she takes the steps, but that she stated that she needs to be in a better position financially to stay in the program.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the Proposed Settlement Agreement.
Clemente/Sunbury
Motion carried 5/0/0

## VI. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

8:30 a.m.

## A. James Feutz, D.V.M., License No. 24003397A

Administrative Cause No. 2020 VB 0001

Re: Petition for Modification

#### **Parties Present:**

Respondent was present with counsel Rori Goldman Patricia Gibson, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana Margie Addington, Court Reporter, Rutledge Independent Reporting

## **Participating Board Members:**

Jerry Rodenbarger, D.V.M., (Hearing Officer) Steven Sunbury, D.V.M. Paul Clemente, D.V.M. John Schnarr, D.V.M. Natalie Goodwin, Consumer Member

Case Summary: On or about July 11, 2021, a Proposed Settlement Agreement was filed between the State and Dr. Feutz. On or about July 26, 2021, a Joint Motion was filed between the State and Dr. Feutz to modify the Settlement Agreement. Ms. Goldman stated that the continue education course in the original agreement is no longer available for Dr. Feutz to complete. Ms. Goldman stated that Dr. Feutz has found a RACE approved course that might meet the requirements the Board is looking for in the Settlement Agreement. The course Dr. Feutz is proposing the Board to accept is a two (2) course CE, with each course taking five (5) hours to complete. The State had no objection to the course but will leave it up to the Board's discretion to accept the course replacement.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the modification of the Settlement Agreement and accept the course. Sunbury/Schnarr Motion carried 5/0/0

# B. Jennifer Scheller, D.V.M., License No. 24006379A

Administrative Cause No. 2017 VB 0005 Re: Petition for Withdraw of Probation

## **Parties Present:**

Respondent was present with counsel Rori Goldman Patricia Gibson, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana Rebekah Hammond, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana Margie Addington, Court Reporter, Rutledge Independent Reporting

# **Participating Board Members:**

Jerry Rodenbarger, D.V.M., (Hearing Officer) Steven Sunbury, D.V.M. Paul Clemente, D.V.M. John Schnarr, D.V.M. Natalie Goodwin, Consumer Member

**Case Summary:** On or about November 21, 2018, a Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order was filed between Dr. Scheller and the State to address the Administrative

Complaint that was filed against Dr. Scheller in 2017. The Board has held hearings with Dr. Scheller regarding the complaint in 2018 upon the Final Hearing Dr. Scheller was placed on Indefinite Probation for no less than two (2) years with the following terms:

- Dr. Scheller may not request to come off probation until she has practice actively for two years while on probation
- Shall keep her home address current, mailing address, email address and residential telephone number current with the Board
- Shall keep the Board appraised of her place of employment, employment telephone number, email address, and name of supervisor
- Shall keep the Board appraised of her occupation title, work schedule, including the number of hours worked per week.
- Dr. Scheller shall appear before the Board two (2) times each year, with her first appearance scheduled for the Board's October meeting, and her second appearance will be six (6) months thereafter.
- Dr. Scheller shall complete an evaluation through the Anxiety Treatment Center of West Michigan prior to her appearance before the Board at the October meeting and follow all recommendations. The evaluation shall include a report on Dr. Scheller's fitness to practice, as well as an evaluation of any issues related to anger, anxiety, and severe depression. If the evaluation recommends ongoing treatment, Dr. Scheller shall cause her treatment professional to submit written reports to the Board every quarter advising the Board of her progress.
- While Dr. Scheller is working as a veterinarian, she shall have her employer submit written reports to the Board every quarter advising the Board of her professional competence, sense of responsibility, work habits, mental attitude, and ability to work with others. If Dr. Scheller is self-employed while on probation, she must submit a written personal report to the Board on a quarterly basis.
- Dr. Scheller must comply with all statue and rules governing the profession.
- Dr. Scheller shall pay a fee of \$5.00 to be deposited into the Health Records Personal Identifying Information Protection Trust Fund.

Dr. Scheller did place a request to withdraw probation around October 2020, but the motion to withdraw was disputed by the State. The motion was denied as the Board determined that Dr. Scheller had not met the requirement of two (2) years of active practice while under probation. Dr. Scheller stated that she last worked with Dr. Hines until May 2021. She informed the Board that she worked as veterinarian from April 2019 to May 2021 working one (1) day a week, and then progressed to two (2) days a week. Dr. Scheller stated that she submitted the required quarterly reports and completed the evaluation. The Board verified that they have received the reports. The Anxiety Treatment evaluation was completed by Ms. Crampton, and followed the recommendations put forth. Dr. Scheller presented the Board with a copy of the evaluation with no objection from the State. The evaluation showed that Dr. Scheller was prescribed anxiety medications from Dr. Houchin and was deemed fit for duty in December 2018. Currently Dr. Scheller reported that she no longer requires anxiety medication. The Board verified that Dr. Scheller had completed the requirements for Board appearance and paid the required \$5.00 fee. Dr. Scheller informed the Board that while she was working for Dr. Hines, she completed wellness exams, vaccinations, surgeries, and medical casework. Dr. Scheller affirmed that she has not used any expired medications at the office and described her sterilization process per the Board's inquiry, Dr. Scheller stated that since her last request to withdraw probation, she feels a more confident with her practice, and that she does not want to be in the same situation again. Currently she has moved to Texas and would like to withdraw her probation as she has met all of

her terms now as she would like to apply to Texas with her Indiana license all addressed. The State had no objection to Dr. Scheller's request to with withdraw her probation.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept Dr. Scheller's request to withdraw her probation.

Schnarr/Goodwin
Motion carried 5/0/0

#### C. Destiny Evans, D.V.M., License No. 24008614A

Administrative Cause No. 2020 VB 0012 Re: Petition for Withdraw of Probation

#### **Parties Present:**

Respondent was present Margie Addington, Court Reporter, Rutledge Independent Reporting

## **Participating Board Members:**

Jerry Rodenbarger, D.V.M., (Hearing Officer) Steven Sunbury, D.V.M. Paul Clemente, D.V.M. John Schnarr, D.V.M. Natalie Goodwin, Consumer Member

**Case Summary:** On or about September 17, 2020, Dr. Evan's was issued a license on probation. Dr. Evans was placed on probation due to pending charges of operating a vehicle while intoxicated. She was placed on probation with the following terms:

- Dr. Evans must undergo an evaluation through the IVMA well-being program and cause a report from the IVMA to be submitted prior to the October 2020 meeting.
- Dr. Evans was required to submit a copy of the Board's Order to her employer and cause her employer to submit a report to the Board prior to the October meeting. The employer must report on the general review of the Dr. Evan's practice.
- Dr. Evans shall comply with all terms and conditions imposed as a result of her pending criminal charges
- Dr. Evans shall personally appear at the Board's October meeting and comply with all laws and rules governing the profession.

Dr. Evans reported to the Board that she has completed all her legal probationary terms and has not had any incidents. Dr. Evans stated that she has met all the terms of her professional license probation and would like to withdraw her probation status. Dr. Evans present a copy of the document from the Court that shows her probation terms are completed. The Board accepted the document. The document verified that she completed her impact panel, all required courses, did not have any arrests, or consume alcohol. She informed the board that her employment is going well, and she had set a good work/life balance. She stated is very careful to not overwork herself, and her supervisor finds her work well. Dr. Evans did inform the Board that she is working with a mentor since January, and she ensures she keeps one ensured self-care day.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept Dr. Evan's request to withdraw her probation status. Sunbury/Clemente

Motion carried 5/0/0

## VII. APPLICATION REVIEW

## VIII. CONTINUING EDUCATION

## A. Zoetis

1. Special Consideration for Foals During Anesthesia August 18, 2021

The Board reviewed the submitted information and found the program meets requirements.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the CE application. Sunbury/Rodenbarger Motion carried 5/0/0

2. 2021 Reimagining Bovine Health Seminar August 19, 2021

The Board reviewed the submitted information and found the program meets requirements.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the CE application. Sunbury/Rodenbarger Motion carried 5/0/0

#### IX. DISCUSSION

# A. Kevin Cawood, D.V.M., License No. 24005532A Cause No. 2019 VB 0014

Re: Petitioner's Request for Pre-Hearing Conference and To Set a Hearing Date for Petitioner's Verified Belated Motion to Vacate and Set Aside Order of Proposed Settlement Entered Before the Indiana Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners on Or About August 28, 2020

Dr. Cawood entered into a Settlement Agreement with the Board and stated that he would like to change the Agreement. The Board conferred with counsel and the Settlement Agreement cannot be amended as Dr. Cawood has already signed and agreed to the Settlement. The Board does not have jurisdiction in the matter of Dr. Cawood's request. The Board stated that if he would like to have a hearing to address his concerns, they can schedule him.

#### X. PROBATION REVIEW

A. Daren Lin Miller, D.V.M.

The Board reviewed the reports from Dr. Miller's Well Being Program. He is still on probation and the submitted reports do not find anything of note. The report did not

indicate if any monitoring was occurring, and the Board stated that they will ask Dr. Miller this inquiry at his next scheduled appearance before the Board.

## XI. REPORTS

# A. Attorney General's Report

The Attorney General's office reported to the Board that they have 46 complaints with an average age of 4.5 months. Since the beginning of the year, they have 5 open cases. Current litigation duration average is 5.8 months.

# B. State Veterinarian's Report – Dr. Marsh

Dr. Marsh reported that the African Swine Flu has been reported in our hemisphere, and that they are trying to keep it out of the United States. While Puerto Rico is not far away, the United States does do thirty percent trading of produce. Puerto Rico has reported a different fever that they are containing with restrictions.

The Indiana State Fair is currently occurring, and there have been major incidents of concern.

Poultry inspections have increased because of COVID, and the Board of Animal Health is looking to hire more inspectors and Veterinarians to address the demand.

Currently the Board of Animal Health is experiencing an increase level of work as pet ownership has increased due to COVID. This has impacted farm calls as it is taking longer to respond due to the increase in workload.

#### XII. ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Ms. Vaught reported that starting in October the Board will have the option to hold their meetings in person, or to continue to meet virtually.

Online applications have rolled out and the State has introduced a new online platform called Access Indiana. All practioners must first make an Access Indiana account in order to access any licensure services.

Licensure renewal is in process. Currently there have been 460 Veterinarians that have renewed, and 260 CSR licenses renewed. There have been 133 Veterinary licenses, 88 Veterinary Technicians and 100 CSR applications issued since the beginning of the year. Of the Purdue graduate classes there have been 61 female vs the 23 male graduates. Only 25 of the Purdue graduates remained in the State.

#### XIII. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

There was no old/new business to discuss.

#### XIV. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Jerry L. Rodenbarger, D.V.M., Chairman	Date	

Next Scheduled Meeting October 27, 2021