The meeting of the West Virginia Board of Veterinary Medicine was called to order at 11:53 AM by Board Chairman, Dr. John R. Wilson on Monday, January 12, 2015.

Board members present were: Dr. John R. Wilson, Dr. Keith B. Berkeley, Dr. Ronald L. Smith, Monica Patton, RVT, Ms. Virginia Lee Hastings and Dr. D. James Moore. In addition to the Board members, Ms. Carey Fleming, Executive Director, Patricia “Trish” Holstein, incoming Executive Director were present for the entire meeting, Kate Campbell, Esquire, and Dr. and Mrs. Shawn Sette were present for part of the meeting. Dr. Barbara Jean Meade, Dr. Mark A. Ayres, and Ms. Betty Burkett were not present.

Dr. Shawn Sette, President, WVVMA, addressed the Board regarding the Fairness to Pet Owners Act Legislation.

MOTION made by Dr. Moore to submit a Rule change to include in our rules, language similar to the language that the AVMA has in place regarding veterinarians honoring clients request for prescriptions, second by Dr. Berkeley, motion carried.

MOTION made to go into Executive Session by Dr. Moore at 12:46 PM to discuss disciplinary cases, second by Dr. Smith, motion carried.

MOTION made to come out of Executive Session by Dr. Moore at 1:16 PM, second by Dr. Berkeley, motion carried.

Monica discussed the question of whether a primary veterinary facility must have a surgery. Her interpretation of our Rules is that it is not required, she suggest that the Board address this to clarify the rules by submission to legislature in 2016. Board determined that they should address several issues in Rules, including another question which is often ask, does a veterinary facility have to be owned by a veterinarian? Language should be reviewed regarding the veterinarian in charge as well. Each Board member will send suggestions for Rule changes to Trish to put on agenda for next Board meeting. Dr. Wilson brought up another issue on Rules; they do not state that an expiration date must be on Rx dispensed by the office.

MOTION made by Dr. Berkeley to approve minutes of Board meetings 9/18, 2014, 11/11, 2014, 12/11/2014 and 12/22/14, second by Dr. Smith, motion carried.
MOTION made by Dr. Smith to approve the P-Card Report, Dr. Berkeley second, motion carried.

MOTION made by Dr. Smith to approve the Treasurer’s Report, second by Dr. Moore, motion carried.

MOTION made by Dr. Smith to approve the Governor’s Report, second by Dr. Berkeley, motion carried.

Discussion regarding the request to change our language in the Rules regarding approved C.E.

Discussion regarding veterinary technician 4 year programs and the use of the classes for C.E.

MOTION made by Dr. Berkeley to change rules to include a criminal background check requirement for both RVT and Veterinary license applicants. Second by Dr. Smith, motion carried.

Discussion about whether extensions for C.E. for medical emergencies include family members.

Discussion regarding the request from a non-AVMA Accredited Veterinary School graduate.

Review of the response to our formal complaint regarding licensee of WV Board of Professional Counselors.

MOTION made by Monica Patton, RVT for Patricia Holstein to attend the annual AAVSB meeting as the Board’s delegate in September 2015, second by Dr. Berkeley, motion carried.

Discussion regarding new vet tech program at Mt. State, Board request that we find out if they have applied for accreditation. Put on agenda for next meeting.

Monica Patton, RVT discussed the options of improving the way that we administer and grade Jurisprudence Exams.

Discussion regarding capturing information on RVT renewal forms that will show who has a two year degree vs. a four year veterinary technician degree.

Dr. Moore discussed the CAET class; this year will be held at Carver in Charleston. Possible dates: April 17, May 1 and May 15.

MOTION made by Ms. Hastings to keep the Board office in Cross Lanes, to renew the lease and negotiate terms, second by Dr. Smith, motion carried.

MOTION made by Dr. Smith to set office hours for 8AM to 4PM, second by Monica Patton, RVT, motion carried.
Next Board meeting will be in Lewisburg on April 23, 2015 at the Fairgrounds.

Meeting adjourned by common consent at 3:40PM.

Respectfully submitted;

Virginia Lee Hastings, Secretary/Treasurer

[Signature]

April 23, 2015

Date