




WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
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MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2026 @ 6:30 PM
GOOGLE MEET

Members Present: Dr. Donna Piercy; Mrs. Monica Patton; Dr. Mark Ayers; Mrs. Amy Meadows;
Dr. Shawn Sette; Dr. George Seiler
Members Absent: Dr. Jesse Fallon; Dr. Kay Gilpin; Mrs. Jo Long
Board Staff: Trish Holstein, Executive Director; Brandi Legg, Secretary
Minutes taken by: Trish Holstein

- I. The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm. **Dr. Sette** moved to adopt the agenda; seconded by **Dr. Seiler**. So moved.
- II. **Mission Statement**
 - The West Virginia Board of Veterinary Medicine protects the health, safety and welfare of the general public and animals of West Virginia through public education, enforcing licensing standards for veterinarians, registered veterinary technicians, certified animal euthanasia technicians and veterinary and euthanasia facilities.
- III. **Chapter 30 Revisions**
 - a) **Board response to public comment:**
 - **Dr. Sette** moved to remove "Perform livestock rectal palpation" from §30-10-11.b.16; seconded by **Dr. Seiler**. Motion did not pass.
 - **Dr. Sette** moved to change "may" to "shall" under §30-10-13; seconded by **Dr. Ayers**. So moved.
 - The Board agreed to revise §30-10-3 Definitions
 - Remove "direct supervision" definition
 - Change "direct supervision" language to "general supervision"
 - §30-10-3.w. "Supervising veterinarian"
 - §30-10-3.z. "Veterinary assistant"
 - §30-10-17.k.
 - The Board discussed the need to clarify the permitted duties for Veterinary Assistants and Veterinary Technicians and will provide clarifications to ensure the statute is applied as intended and provide better guidance to licensees and the public.
- IV. **The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm.**



Monica R. Patton, RVT
Secretary-Treasurer