



VETERINARY BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MEETING AGENDA

Date: June 2, 2025
Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Department of Health
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9:00 a.m. -- Open Session

Call to Order, Mission, and Board Roll Call – Andrea Sanchez-Chambers, DVM, Chair

(9:00-9:05)

1. **Consent Agenda** – Andrea Sanchez-Chambers, DVM, Chair

Items listed under the consent agenda are considered routine agency matters and will be approved by a single motion from the board without separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and placed on the regular business agenda.

1.1. Approval of June 2, 2025, draft agenda

1.2. Approval of February 24, 2025, business meeting minutes

(9:05-9:15)

2. **Rules Hearing – Veterinary Telemedicine (VCPR)**

The purpose of this rules hearing is to consider updates to VCPR/Telemedicine rules. WAC 246-933-200 and 246-933-010.

Subcommittee Members: Drs. Debra Sellon, Andrea Sanchez-Chambers, Dordor Vang

2.1. The board will hear public comments and consider adoption of proposed rules filed under WSR 22-17-101 filed on August 19, 2022. The proposed language clarifies how and when a Veterinarian-Client-Patient-Relationship can be established and adds/clarifies definitions that keep Washington rules up to date with the changing technology.

2.2. Letter from WSVMA.

(9:15-9:30)

3. **Rules Hearing – Exam and Licensure Requirements and JP Exam Change**

The purpose of this rules hearing is to consider updates to exam and licensure rules. WAC 246-933 and WAC 246-935.

Subcommittee Members: Drs. Katherine Bibi, Kathryn Haigh, Aja Senestraro

3.1. The board will hear public comments and consider adoption of proposed rules filed under WSR 24-10-093 filed April 30, 2024. The proposed rules update language to ensure exam WACs agree with one another and move JP licensure requirement to a CE requirement to implement SSB 1724 section 8.

(9:30-9:40)

4. **Open Forum (limited to 10 minutes)**

The board will accept comments from the audience on issues of significance to the profession.

Limit of three minutes per person or agency.

If your comment is regarding an agenda item, please wait for that item.

(9:40-9:45)

5. **Reports**

5.1. Andrea Sanchez-Chambers, DVM, Chair

5.2. Amber Freeberg, Executive Director

5.3. Poppy Budrow, Program Manager

5.4. Lilia Lopez in for Prina Patel, AAG

(9:45-10:00)

Break

(10:00-11:00)

6. Rulemaking – Animal Healthcare Tasks

The purpose of this rulemaking is to consider updates to Animal Healthcare Tasks WAC 246-935-040, 050, 010, and WAC 246-937-010

Subcommittee Members: Drs Katherine Bibi, Andrea Sanchez-Chambers, Ms. Kim Morgan, LVT

6.1. Open for public comment.

6.2. The Animal Healthcare Tasks Subcommittee will give a progress update. Dr. Katherine Bibi.

6.3. The Board will discuss draft rule language.

6.4. Animal Healthcare Tasks Subcommittee may discuss scheduling the next meeting.

(11:00-12:00)

7. FAQ Update – Humane Society FAQ

The purpose of this subcommittee is to write an FAQ regarding Humane Societies, procedures, and guidelines.

Subcommittee Members: Dr. Dordor Vang, Dr. Maci Paden, Ms. Kim Morgan, LVT

7.1. Open for public comment.

7.2. Humane Society Subcommittee will give a progress update. Ms. Kim Morgan, LVT.

7.3. The Board will discuss draft FAQs.

7.4. Humane Society Subcommittee may discuss scheduling the next meeting.

(12:00-12:30)

Lunch

(12:30-1:00)

8. AAVSB VTNE Retake Policy

8.1. The board will review and may approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with effective dates of March 1, 2025, through February 29, 2028.

8.2. The board will review the updated AAVSB re-take policy (Exhibit A of MOU) and may decide how to process requests for exception to the policy.

(1:00-1:15)

9. Schedule 2026 Board Meetings

The board may schedule regular meetings for 2026.

Proposed dates:

2/27/26

6/5/26

9/11/26

12/18/26

(1:15-1:30)

10. Bylaws review

The board will review current bylaws and may make update recommendations.

10.1. Bylaws

(1:30 – 1:45)

11. Correspondence

Any letters the board has received and have not been addressed above will be reviewed.

- 11.1. Public Records Request – THRIVE
- 11.2. Letter from Mr. Rybka, Attorney at Law

(1:45-2:00)

12. Legislative Update

The board will discuss any legislation in process that may affect veterinary practice.

Legislative representatives: Drs. Katherine Haigh and Dordor Vang

- 12.1. 1705 Large Animal Veterinarian Recruitment
- 12.2. 5236 Greenhouse Gasses
- 12.3. Budget request to increase in-state seats at WSU Veterinary School
- 12.4. 1904 Prohibiting the Declawing of Cats

(2:00- 2:10)

13. Conferences and Presentations

Reminder of upcoming travel: Please remember that the board will need a report back of what happened at the meetings you attended.

- 13.1. Board Basics & Beyond: March 26-27. Executive directors and registrars: March 28, 29, 2025.
- 13.2. PNW Veterinary Conference, Tacoma. Disciplinary Presentation. Date: September 26, 2025.
Presenters: Drs. Haigh and Bibi.
- 13.3. PNW Veterinary Conference, Tacoma. Panel Discussion.
Panel: Drs. Haigh, Sanchez, Bibi. Tentative: Ms. Knoke.
- 13.4. AAVSB Annual Meeting: Dates: September 18-21, 2025, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Attending: Dr. Bibi & Dr. Paden

(2:10-2:15)

14. Reminders: Meeting Dates for 2025

- 14.1. September 15, December 8, 2025

(2:15-2:20)

15. Agenda Development

The board will review and identify agenda items for the September 15, 2025, business meeting.

Adjournment of Open Session

Washington State Veterinary Board of Governors

Mission The mission of the Veterinary Board is to protect the public and animals' health and safety, and to promote the welfare of the State by regulating the competency and quality of healthcare providers.

Vision The Veterinary Board of Governors' vision is to be the trusted leader in protecting and improving the health of all animals and the public across Washington State.

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