

Oklahoma Senate Committee on Appropriations

2013-14 Performance Report

Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

AGENCY MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of the Oklahoma Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners is to protect the public by regulating the practice of veterinary medicine through the licensure of veterinarians, veterinary and euthanasia technicians and investigations of complaints to ensure licensees are practicing within the provisions of the law.

The mission statement was adopted approximately 1998 and implemented by Executive Director Cathy Kirkpatrick

LEAD ADMINISTRATOR:

Cathy Kirkpatrick, Executive Director – 201 N. E. 38th Terr. Ste 1, Oklahoma City, OK 73105 (405)-524-9006 – cathy@okvetboard.com.

GOVERNANCE:

The Executive Director is selected by the 6 member Board and those members are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.

Members:

JIM P. LEE, DVM
DANIEL G. DANNER, DVM
FRANK O. DENNEY, DVM
CAROLE DULISSE, ESQ
LAWRENCE F. MCTAGUE, DVM
CLINT J. GARDNER, DVM

Animal Technology Advisory Committee which is overseen by the State veterinarian of the Department of Agriculture – This Committee is to examine, investigate, discuss and determine any new or evolving technology procedure or method. The Board appoints two veterinarians to be members the 2 veterinarians are Joe Carter, DVM and Charles MacAllister, DVM.

Examination Committee for the Non-veterinary reproductive service technician is overseen by the Board and consists of 3 members – John Myers, DVM – Dr. Bob Wettelman – Glenn Engellend, DVM.

Probable Cause Committee of the Board consisting of the Board's secretary/treasurer, Board counsel (Assist. Attorney General) will negotiate and settle disputes.

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GOVERNANCE ACCOUNTABILITY:

Per Board statutes – A Board member may be removed by the Governor if the member fails to attend three successive Board meetings without just cause as determined by the Board.

MODERNIZATION EFFORTS:

Ability to pay for applications, licensing exam fees, verifications, etc. through the online store set up on our Board website.

Converting the board packets from a bound paper binder to all information available on a flash drive and each board member is reviewing files on a board provided laptop.
Modernized Board website- providing agendas, exam dates, and documents.

Working with OMES to convert IT system (servers, emails, website, etc.). Required additional man hours for Director and staff.

Permit non-veterinary equine dental care providers (Title 59 698.30). No burden or cost savings.

Register non-veterinary reproductive service technician (title 59, 698.30a). Additional burden required the creation of a certification examination.

We are sharing our internet provider costs with another agency; the board room is shared by four different Boards; saving costs of a bank courier, four different Boards are making the bank deposits for each other on their designated day of the week; assisting and receiving assistance from other law enforcement agencies on serving search warrants, etc. In July (2013) we will be moving into the Pharmacy Board building and sharing office space with the Board of Dentistry. We will also be sharing office equipment such as copier, printer, etc.

CORE MISSION:

The Board is the only regulatory agency for the practice of veterinary medicine. There is one area where the Department of Agriculture compliments the services provided by the Board of Veterinary Medical examiners which involves complaints received against non-veterinary equine dental care providers. The Veterinary Board certifies the providers but complaints are administered by the Department of Agriculture, who can refer the complaint back to the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners for investigation and prosecution.

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PRIVATE ALTERNATIVES:

The Board is the only regulatory and non-regulatory agency for the practice of veterinary medicine.

We have not been approached to privatize any of the functions of the agency.

SURROUNDING STATES LICENSE RENEWAL FEE:

Texas: \$366.00 Annual

Louisiana: \$225.00 Annual

Arkansas: \$100.00 Annual

Kansas: \$95.00 and \$50.00 Facility Permit Annual

Colorado: \$204.00 Annual

New Mexico: \$175.00 Annual

Missouri: \$50.00 and \$25.00 Facility Permit Annual