



NOTICE OF THE MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE AND SURGERY  
IN PERSON AND WEBEX MEETING  
Date Posted January 17, 2025

Crowne Plaza, Younes Conference Center North  
Bronze 3 Room  
707 W. Talmadge Rd  
Kearney, NE 68845

Friday  
January 31, 2025  
8:00 a.m.

This meeting will be held by WebEx conference and In-Person. The public is welcome to attend any Open Session discussion at the Younes Conference Center North. A WebEx line has also been established for the public to call in rather than visit the open meeting location. If you wish to attend the meeting by WEBEX please let Jan Gadeken-Harris know by January 30, 2025 via email at [janis.gadeken-harris@nebraska.gov](mailto:janis.gadeken-harris@nebraska.gov) or you can join by using the below WebEx link:

<https://sonvideo.webex.com/sonvideo/j.php?MTID=m0116aceb013e83835526e05327dae045>

or call in information is: 408-418-9388 using meeting number of: 2487 958 0721

Here is a link to the Open Meetings Act:

[https://nebraskalegislature.gov/laws/display\\_html.php?begin\\_section=84-1407&end\\_section=84-1414](https://nebraskalegislature.gov/laws/display_html.php?begin_section=84-1407&end_section=84-1414)

Here is a link to a copy of all the Open Session discussion items:

<https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Board-Meeting-Documents.aspx>

For information, contact Jan Harris, Health Licensing Coordinator, at 402/471-2118, or [Janis.Gadeken-Harris@nebraska.gov](mailto:Janis.Gadeken-Harris@nebraska.gov)

## AGENDA

1. Roll Call & Announcement(s): *There is a current copy of the Open Meetings Act available in the meeting room.*
  2. Adoption of Agenda
  3. Approval of Minutes – October 23, 2024
  4. Designation of the Method by which This Body will give Public Notice of its Meetings
  5. Department of Agriculture Updates – Dr. Fritts, Deputy NE State Veterinarian
  6. Legislation 2025 Updates
  7. Regulation Updates
  8. Email Ballot(s) since the last Board Meeting
  9. Discussion:
    - A. Potential for Legislative change regarding the Veterinary profession for VCPR (Veterinary Client Patient Relationship) should it be expanded to include establishing VCPR through Telemedicine.
    - B. Potential for Legislative change to include the Veterinary Medicine and Surgery Practice Act in the Telehealth Practice Act (38-1,143)
  10. Practice Question(s):
    - A. Is Medical Marijuana for animal use legal in Nebraska?
    - B. Is hemp oil legal for animal use in Nebraska?
  11. Public Comments
  12. Investigational Reports – **CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §38-1,105**  
*(The Board will go into closed session for the purpose of review and discussion of investigative reports, licensure applications, and other confidential information, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals.)*
    - A. Investigation Cases
    - B. Proposed Agreed Settlement
    - C. Probation Compliance Monitoring Report
  13. Application Review – **CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §84-1410**
    - A. Veterinary Technician request for Board Sponsorship to test VTNE past the 5<sup>th</sup> attempt (1)
    - B. Veterinarian Reinstatement after Discipline Application(s) (1)
- (Approx. time to go into Closed Session: 9:00 am)*
- (Approx. time to reconvene Open Session: 10:30 am)*

14. Application Review - **OPEN SESSION**
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  - B. Veterinarian Reinstatement after Discipline Application(s) (1)
15. FYI – AAVSB (American Association of Veterinary State Boards) Annual Meeting & Conference – 9/17-20/2025 – Cincinnati, Ohio
16. Election of Officers
17. Schedule Next Meeting Date
18. Adjournment

All items known at time of distribution of this agenda are listed; a current agenda is available in the office of the Licensure Unit, First Floor, State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Notice: A tape recording of the meeting will be made for the purpose of preparing minutes of the meeting. Said tape will not be transcribed but will be available to the public until such time that the minutes of this meeting are approved by the Board. In accordance with the records retention schedule of the Licensure Unit as authorized by Nebraska Statute, the Division may dispose of the tapes ten (10) days after the meeting; however, staff shall retain the tapes until the Board has approved the minutes.

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