



**NEW MEXICO BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
REGULAR MEETING**

**IN PERSON AT DoIT
725 6th Street, Albuquerque, NM 87102**

MINUTES

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2 **July 09, 2025**

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4 **Call to Order:** The Regular Meeting of the New Mexico Board of Veterinary Medicine (Board)
5 was called to order by Dr. Lawrence Young, the Board Chair, at approximately 1:10 p.m. The
6 Board's Executive Director Deborah Schenk conducted a roll call.

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8 **Roll Call:**

9 **Members Present:**

10 Dr. Amanda Favis (virtual)
11 Dr. Lawrence D. Young, Board Chair
12 Dr. Ralph Zimmerman
13 Dr. Emily Walker
14 Ms. Jennifer Rabinowitz
15 Dr. Hannah Leonard
16 Ms. Kristin Chavez

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18 A roll call was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.
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20 **Agency Representative:** Deborah Schenk, Executive Director to Board

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22 **Legal Counsel:** Douglas Alsup, NM Department of Justice

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24 Chair, Dr. Lawrence D. Young, welcomed Dr. MacDougall, Dr. Scigliabaglio, Dr. Holeck and
25 new Board member Kristin Chavez.

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27 **Approval of Proposed Agenda:**

28 Dr. Walker approved the agenda and Member Rabinowitz seconded the motion.

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30 A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

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32 **State Veterinarian Update**

33 Update provided by our State Veterinarian, Dr. Samantha Holeck.

34 The first big thing on the radar is New World screwworm. There is a stage 3 opening at the
35 southern border. Any alterations will depend on how the crossings will go. Same
36 implementations are still in place.

37 Pathogenic Influenza for our state has quieted down, Arizona is the only one with more recent
38 detections.

39 Our state was TB free for a few months. There are two issues with TB right now. One issue is a
40 herd from Texas, and one is a slaughter traced back to a New Mexico dairy farm. Three farm
41 locations that operate together are quarantined.

42 There are talks about Texas building a breeding facility for flies.

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44 **Approval of May 14, 2025 Draft Meeting Minutes**

45 Chair, Dr. Young asked for approval of May 14, 2025, minutes. Dr. Walker approved and
46 Member Rabinowitz seconded.

47 A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

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49 **Executive Director Report – Deborah Schenk**

50 Complaints 24-14 and 24-14A both have not signed the settlement agreement. The Board's
51 approval is needed to move forward with an NCA on both complaints. Dr. Walker moved to go
52 forward with an NCA and Dr. Zimmerman seconded.

53 A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

54 Dr. Balock is interested in being the second Facility Inspector. The Board received Dr. Balock's
55 resume, and the Board is fine with having Dr. Balock as the second inspector.

56 IPRA's and complaints went down in FY25.

57 The client data system is going very well. Phone calls are now very minimal.

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59 **New Business**

60 There are 7 requests for Continuing Education approval. Dr. Walker motioned to approve all 7
61 Continuing Education requests and Dr. Zimmerman seconded.

62 A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

63 A letter will be sent to the non-licensed individual wanting to offer non-diagnostic services to let
64 them know they might want to reach out to private counsel to get legal advice on his business
65 plans.

66 Late fees will be discussed at the next meeting.

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68 **Shelter Committee Update**

69 The shelter committee has been meeting regularly. There are about 35 applications and more
70 than 1.2 million dollars in ask. There is approximately one week left of the application period.
71 The committee has scheduled 4 meetings to score and rank the applications. Two more meetings
72 may be required. The committee has everything in place to score, rank and make
73 recommendations for funding.

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75 **Disciplinary Matters (presented by Complaint Review Committee)**

76 The meeting may be closed to the public during this portion of the agenda pursuant to the New
77 Mexico Open Meeting Act, NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(1): to discuss matters pertaining to
78 the issuance, suspension, renewal or revocation of a license and disciplinary matters. The closed
79 session is limited to discussion of the matters identified in the motion. Any final action will take
80 place after the closed session, on record, and in the open session.

81 The meeting went into closed session at 1:43 pm.

82 The meeting went back to open session at 2:55 pm.

83 Complaint #24-20 - Dr. Walker presented the case. After Board discussion, Dr. Zimmerman
84 made a motion and Chair, Dr. Young seconded the motion to make this a non-reportable
85 violation of the practice act 16.25.9.21(3)(c), with no penalty. The vote was taken, and the
86 motion passed unanimously with Dr.'s Favis and Walker abstained.

87 Complaint #24-21 – Dr. Walker presented the case. After Board discussion, Dr. Zimmerman
88 made a motion to make this a reportable violation of the practice act 16.25.3.8(L), \$1,000.00 fine
89 and to require 4 hours of continuing education on gastroenterology and 4 hours of continuing
90 education on pharmacology. Chair, Dr. Young seconded. The vote was taken, and the motion
91 passed unanimously with Dr.'s Walker and Favis abstained.

92 Complaint #24-22 – Dr. Walker presented the case. After Board discussion, Dr. Zimmerman
93 made a motion to make this a reportable violation of the practice act 16.25.3.8(L), \$500.00 fine
94 and 4 hours of continuing education in anesthesia and 4 hours in pharmacology. Chair, Dr.
95 Young seconded. The vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously with Dr's Walker and
96 Favis abstained.

97 Complaint #24-23 – Dr. Walker presented the case. After Board discussion, Dr. Zimmerman
98 made a motion to dismiss. Chair, Dr. Young seconded. The vote was taken, and the motion
99 passed unanimously with Dr.’s Walker and Favis abstained.

100 Complaint #24-24 – Dr. Walker presented the case. After Board discussion, Dr. Zimmerman
101 made a motion to make this a reportable violation of the practice act 16.25.3.8(L), \$500.00 fine,
102 8 hours of continuing education on kidney disease. Chair, Dr. Young seconded. The vote was
103 taken and the motion passed unanimously with Dr’s Walker and Favis abstained.

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105 Complaint #24-25 – Dr. Walker presented the case. After Board discussion, Dr. Zimmerman
106 made a motion to dismiss. Chair, Dr. Young seconded. The vote was taken and the motion
107 passed unanimously with Dr’s Walker and Favis abstained.

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109 Complaint #24-26 – Dr. Walker presented the case. After Board discussion, Dr. Zimmerman
110 made a motion to dismiss. Chair, Dr. Young seconded. The vote was taken and the motion
111 passed unanimously with Dr’s Walker and Favis abstained.

112 Motion to approve the proceeding of the application process for a veterinarian whose license is
113 revoked to obtain their license once again with the NMBVM. Dr. Zimmerman motioned and Dr.
114 Leonard seconded. The vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

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116 **Announcements**

117 No announcements.

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119 **Next Scheduled Meeting**

120 October 15, 2025, at DoIT in Albuquerque.

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122 **There being no further business before the Board, Dr. Young adjourned the meeting at**
123 **approximately 3:12 p.m.**