

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
MINUTES
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON EQUINE DENTAL TECHNICIAN (EDT)
CERTIFYING ENTITIES
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS
HEARING ROOM 3
HENRICO, VA
DECEMBER 2, 2015**

TIME AND PLACE: The Ad Hoc Committee on EDT Certifying Entities was called to order at 10:00 a.m. at the Department of Health Professions (DHP), 9960 Mayland Drive, 2nd Floor, Hearing Room 3, Henrico, Virginia.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Bayard Rucker, DVM - Chair
Ellen G. Hillyer, DVM

STAFF PRESENT: Leslie Knachel, Executive Director
Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: There were no changes to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment was presented.

DISCUSSION ITEM: **IDENTIFICATION OF CRITERIA FOR THE APPROVAL OF A CERTIFYING ENTITY FOR EDT'S:**
The Committee discussed issues related to identifying criteria for the approval of an EDT certifying entity. The committee acknowledged that the only certifying entity for EDTs recognized by Virginia at this time is the International Association of Equine Dentistry (IAED).

Ms. Knachel reported on her discussions with the veterinary boards in Minnesota and Texas. Each of these two boards recognizes IAED and other certifying entities for EDTs. Ms. Knachel suggested that the American Association of Veterinary State Boards may be a resource to query its membership regarding how other states handle EDTs.

Dr. Rucker stated that there is no overarching entity that accredits EDT training. Ms. Knachel stated that she will begin to collect information from IAED and Equine Dental Providers of

America to collect information on how these entities determine that an EDT is qualified to become certified and how their exam are developed and qualified.

The Committee requested that Ms. Knachel draft a guidance document to clarify the activities of an to include that an EDT does not have authority in the Drug Control Act to possess a stock of Schedule II – VI drugs.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

The meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Bayard Rucker, DVM – Chair

Leslie L. Knachel, MPH, - Executive Director