

**IDAHO BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
CERTIFIED EUTHANASIA TASK FORCE (CETF)**

November 4, 2009

11:00 a.m. - Idaho Department of Agriculture Building

DRAFT MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 11:06 a.m. by Chairperson Tami McReynolds, DVM

Those in attendance were:

- Tami McReynolds, DVM, CETF Chair
- Rena Carlson-Lammers, DVM, CETF Member
- Jo-Anne Dixon, DVM, CETF Member
- Brenda Steinebach, CETF Member
- Jennifer Card, VMD, President, Board of Veterinary Medicine
- Karen Ewing, Executive Director, Board of Veterinary Medicine
- Carol Youtz, Technical Records Specialist, Board of Veterinary Medicine
- Jeff Rosenthal, DVM, Idaho Humane Society
- Mike Boyd, Bonneville County Sheriff's Office
- Gayle Gray, RX Rescue

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Carlson-Lammers moved to approve the minutes from the June 3, 2009 meeting. Dr. Card seconded, and the motion carried.

3. FOLLOW-UP ON DISPOSAL OF CONTROLLED AND LEGEND DRUGS

Gayle Gray, a guest speaker from RX Rescue, addressed the group regarding her RescuePack drug disposal system. High-impact polyurethane foam fills the disposal containers. Ms. Gray will keep the Task Force informed on her progress with the DEA and getting the RescuePack containers patented. Ms. Ewing is to invite Jan Atkinson, Senior Compliance Officer for the Idaho Board of Pharmacy to attend the next Task Force meeting to discuss federal vs. state mandates on drug disposal.

4. IDAHO CERTIFIED EUTHANASIA TECHNICIAN ADJUNCT MANUAL

The new Idaho adjunct manual was discussed due to the change from the Idaho euthanasia training manual to the HSUS euthanasia training manual. The Idaho manual will not duplicate information contained in the HSUS manual and should include Idaho statutes and rules, overview of program, recordkeeping, labeling, contact information, approved drug list, Idaho rabies and bite protocol, and AVMA euthanasia guidelines. Ms. Ewing will prepare an Idaho Jurisprudence Exam for euthanasia technicians to be mailed directly to Certified Euthanasia Technician (CET) applicants so the exam on laws and rules will not take up valuable classroom time.

Preparation of a newsletter for CETs was also discussed. A one (1) page newsletter could be prepared and sent with annual renewal forms. Articles can include law and rule changes, drug purchasing from wholesalers, compassion fatigue, training schedules, and CEA inspection deficiency corrections. In addition, Ms. Youtz will obtain email addresses for all CETs so that pertinent tips and information regarding euthanasia can be emailed.

5. TWIN FALLS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CEA INSPECTION

Dr. Dixon inspected this new Certified Euthanasia Agency (CEA). Because of the new law enacted on July 1, 2009, the two CETs can no longer obtain controlled substances from a local veterinarian. The agency has a double-locked drug safe, plus drug safes bolted into each truck. Dr. Dixon stated that the cooperative working agreement between People for Pets and the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office is working out very well.

6. DRUG LOG INVENTORY BOOKS FOR AGENCIES THAT DO NOT EUTHANIZE

A drug log book will need to be developed for agencies that do not euthanize. The log will include common chemical capture drugs approved by the Board. For chemical capture CETs working in the field, a separate sheet can be kept in the truck, and then the bound drug log can be updated at the end of each CET's work shift.

7. CHEMICAL CAPTURE

Deputy Mike Boyd, from the Bonneville County Sheriff's office, addressed the group. Deputy Boyd seeks a way to procure chemical capture drugs without being certified as a euthanasia technician. Dr. Jeff Rosenthal also discussed pertinent chemical capture issues with the CETF.

A separate chemical capture designation that would allow CETs to procure drugs without having a euthanasia room was discussed. The current rules mandate that a CET must be employed by a CEA with a euthanasia room.

8. REVIEW OF APPROVED DRUG LIST

The current approved euthanasia and restraint drug list from 2000 was reviewed, and changes were discussed. Dr. Rosenthal recommends that Medetomidine be added to the list, along with the antidote (Antisedan), and that Torbutrol and Valium be removed. Also, remove antidotes for pre-euthanasia sedation drugs, but leave antidotes for chemical capture drugs.

Dr. McReynolds' preference is to remove all drugs, except xylazine and ketamine for pre-euthanizing sedation. Field use vs. office use will probably require different drug combinations and dosages. Once the rule change approving pre-sedation before euthanasia is approved, the CETF will want to recommend during CET training the drugs, combinations of drugs, and dosages to be used by CETs. In addition, approved drugs for euthanasia, pre-euthanasia sedation, and chemical capture will be provided on separate lists.

9. A. NEW CET TRAINING

Dr. McReynolds has designed a basic outline of the new HSUS manual-based training using Microsoft PowerPoint. The new training will also include information on the use of pre-euthanasia sedation, since it is expected that the 2010 rule change will be successful.

Target date for first new CET training course is April 2010. A discussion was held over locations and frequency of training availability. The CETF will schedule its next meeting so that the first new CET training course in Boise will be held the next day. At a minimum, Dr. McReynolds, Dr. Carlson-Lammers, and Dr. Dixon will share teaching of the first course as preparation for teaching their own courses in their geographic areas.

9. B. RESTRAINT-DRUG TRAINING

Dr. Rosenthal will begin preparing a one-day domestic animal chemical capture training course for law enforcement CETs. Dr. Rosenthal's training will make recommendations about newer equipment being used (dart guns, etc.) that is available.

The CETF would also like to address the care of animals after they are darted to ensure that humane care or euthanasia is provided by a CEA or licensed veterinarian. In addition, the CETF believes that chemical capture training should be required every three (3) years, the same as euthanasia training.

10. RULE CHANGES

The following 2010 rule changes were discussed:

- 1) Separate out pre-euthanasia sedation from chemical capture. Dr. Rosenthal's course will cover chemical capture. CETF will train for pre-euthanasia sedation.
- 2) Rules must indicate that chemical capture training may only be used by law enforcement CETs. Possible verbiage - Use of remote chemical capture is limited to CETs who are classified as law enforcement personnel employed by law enforcement CEAs, and who have successfully completed a Board-approved remote chemical capture training course. The approved remote chemical capture course must be retaken every three (3) years.
- 3) Remove euthanasia room requirement for non-euthanizing law enforcement CETs who use chemical capture only.
- 4) Define chemical capture and pre-euthanasia sedation.
- 5) DEA, CET, and CEA certifications should be stored together, and easily accessible.
- 6) Create a new category of CET that performs chemical capture only.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING:

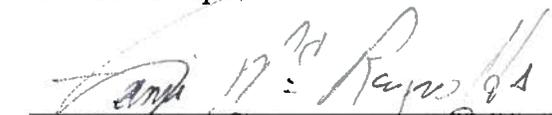
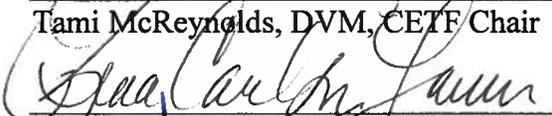
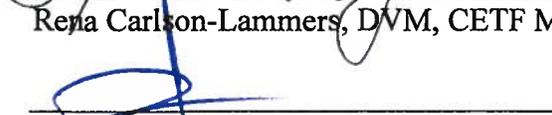
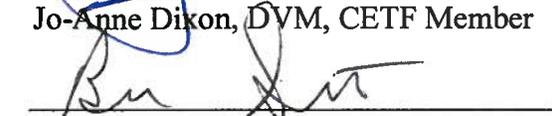
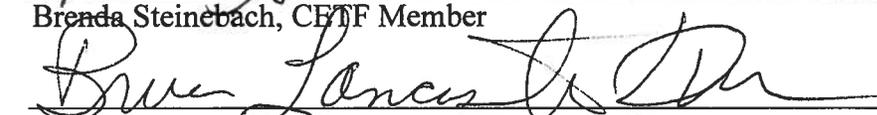
- 1) Vote on a new chairperson at the next CETF meeting.
- 2) Define the mission statement of the CETF
- 3) Discuss Term Limits for CETF members

ADJOURN

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 3:51 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Carol P. Youtz
Technical Records Specialist

	4-27-10
Tami McReynolds, DVM, CETF Chair	Date
	4-27-10
Rena Carlson-Lammers, DVM, CETF Member	Date
	11/16/10
Jo-Anne Dixon, DVM, CETF Member	Date
	
Brenda Steinebach, CETF Member	Date
	
Bruce Lancaster, DVM, CETF Member	Date