

**Livestock Care Standards Board
October 30, 2024
Meeting Minutes
WVDA Weston Office**

Board Attendees: Bruce Sloan, Dr. John Wilson, John Pitsenbarger, Greg Mitchell, Michael Morris, Dr. Robert Stenger, Mary Mikowski, Chairman Joe Hatton with Samantha Ledden, Executive Assistant

Public participation:

Derek Richard, Dr. Jewell Plumley

Meeting called to order by Chairman Hatton at 10:12 a.m.

Board introductions

Old business:

- Chairman Hatton requested approval of meeting minutes from April 16, 2024. John Pitsenbarger moved to approve; Greg Mitchell seconded. Motion Passed
- Animal care action activity log was reviewed.

New business:

- VetStart WV update
- Legislative update
 - The board can make recommendations to change the rule, however, it does have to go through the legislative process for approval.

Board Member Discussion:

- Food safety
- Lamb/Sheep tail docking
 - Dr. Stenger moved to form a subcommittee to work on this issue; Mary Mikowski seconded the motion; discussion held; motion failed.
- Transport and selling newborn dairy calves

Public comments:

- Dr. Jewell Plumley
- Derek Richards

Other:

- Travel documents and per diem forms were provided to board members
- No current board vacancies

- The Honorable Bruce Sloan, Mr. Greg Mitchell, and Dr. John Wilson will be up for reappointment on June 30, 2025.

Next Meeting Date:

- May 7, 2025 at WVDA Moorefield office