

School of Veterinary Medicine Animal Care and Use Committee

Closed Session – October 12, 2021

Present (voting):

[REDACTED]

Present (non-voting):

[REDACTED]

Absent:

[REDACTED]

Guests:

[REDACTED]

Approval of Closed Session Minutes of September 14, 2021

[REDACTED] moved to approve the minutes as written. [REDACTED] abstained; the vote was otherwise unanimous.

Inspection Reports

[REDACTED] informed the committee that only one inspection has open spots, on Tuesday, October 19 from 10 to 12. Please sign up online or contact her directly to volunteer.

[REDACTED] summarized the inspection reports. Discussion ensued.

Reports from Senior Program Veterinarians

[REDACTED] had two self-reports. First, the [REDACTED] lab self-reported that a health check was missed on Thursday because the staff member responsible was out of the office. No adverse effects to the animals were reported, and [REDACTED] has requested that the lab designate backups for health checks.

Second, [REDACTED] reported that there were missed husbandry checks for his animals for three days – Friday through Sunday. The student who was scheduled to perform these checks did not report to work those days and is being fired from the lab. The vet staff is performing a retraining of all the students on the BRMS reporting system, and Animal Care staff will do checks on Saturday and Sunday moving forward.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] looked at a fleet van for non-USDA covered species to ensure that it would pass inspection. They also inspected [REDACTED] personal vehicle.

[REDACTED] provided an update on the dual-school submarine rescue protocol. On Monday, October 11, two sheep were catheterized and loaded into the chamber. At 9:00 pm, the PI called and said the compressor for the chamber was not working and discontinued the experiment. At 9:30, as the sheep were being slowly brought up, he noticed signs of discomfort and elected to use the remote euthanasia setup, which worked perfectly. The lab will work to fix the compressor, after which time they will go through everything with a new pair of sheep.

