

The New Mexico Board of Veterinary Medicine is seeking Letters of Interest from individuals who are interested in serving as a committee member for the Board's Sheltering Committee. As per NM State Statute:

The animal sheltering committee shall consist of five members as follows:

- (1) one euthanasia agency employee with training and education in euthanasia;
- (2) one veterinarian who has provided paid or unpaid services to an animal shelter;
- (3) one representative from a nonprofit animal advocacy group;
- (4) one member of the public; and
- (5) a manager or director of a New Mexico facility that provides shelter to animals on a regular basis; provided that the manager or director selected is trained in animal shelter standards.

No more than two animal sheltering committee members shall be appointed from any one county within the state.

The board shall appoint members to the animal sheltering committee for terms of four years, except in the first year of the animal sheltering committee, when members shall be appointed for staggered terms. Of the first appointments, two members shall be appointed for four-year terms, one member shall be appointed for a three-year term, one member shall be appointed for a two-year term and one member shall be appointed for a one-year term. Subsequent appointments shall be made to fill vacancies created in unexpired terms, but only until the term ends or for a full four-year term when the term of an animal sheltering committee member expires. Animal sheltering committee members shall hold office until their successors are duly qualified and appointed. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the board for the unexpired term within sixty days of the vacancy to maintain the required composition of the animal sheltering committee.

Any individual interested in serving on the committee should submit his or her letter of interest to the NM Board of Veterinary Medicine's Executive Director at [director@nmbvm.org](mailto:director@nmbvm.org) or call the Board Office for more at [505-553-7021](tel:505-553-7021).