

**MINUTES, North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board  
Raleigh, North Carolina, January 12, 2017**

At 8:00 a.m., President Kim D. Gemeinhardt, DVM called to order the regular meeting of the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board. In attendance were the following Board members: Drs. William K. Dean, Jane A. Barber, Susan K. Bull, Dwight E. Cochran, and R. Douglas Meckes. Also present were Board Attorney, Mr. George Hearn, Executive Director, Mr. Thomas Mickey, and Deputy Director, Dr. Tod Schadler. Board member Robin Lazaro, RVT joined the meeting shortly thereafter.

Dr. Gemeinhardt reviewed with the Board the Governor's and the North Carolina Board of Ethics' statement on recognizing and avoiding conflicts of interest. She also reviewed G.S. § 90-179 of the North Carolina Veterinary Practice Act.

The November 17, 2016, Board meeting minutes, upon motion by Dr. Cochran and seconded by Dr. Barber, were approved.

The Board Investigator reported on his activities since the last meeting. The Investigator left the meeting at 8:17 a.m.

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The agreement with the North Carolina Physicians Health Program (NCPHP) is due for renewal February 1, 2017. A discussion was held on updating and reviewing this contract. A motion was made by Dr. Meckes, seconded by Dr. Cochran, to renew the contract with NCPHP for 60 days beginning February 1, 2017. The motion passed with Dr. Bull voting no. Dr. Dean and Dr. Barber will serve on a Committee to review and report to the Board any recommendations regarding N.C. Veterinary Health Program (NCVHP) and the ongoing relationship between the Board and NCPHP. Dr. Meckes and Dr. Schadler will attend the next meeting of the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Association to discuss its participation in the program.

At 9:30 a.m. the Board recessed for a break, reconvening at 9:40 a.m.

Mr. Hearn reported that as required by G.S. § 93B-5(g) he conducted in December a required new Board member training session with Robin Lazaro, RVT and Krissie Newman. Dr. Schadler also attended the training session.

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Strategic planning for the Board was discussed, and the Board reaffirmed the need to move forward with this goal. Dr. Schadler was asked to determine the best method to achieve this goal and report to the Board.

The Executive Director reported on operational and administrative activities of the Board since the last Board meeting. He distributed a financial report which the Board reviewed and discussed.

Dr. Bull made a motion to send Ms. Lazaro to the American Association of Veterinary State Boards “New Board Member Training Program” scheduled for May 12-13, 2017 in Kansas City, Missouri. Dr. Dean seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned for lunch at 12:08 p.m. and reconvened at 1:03 p.m.

Joseph P. Jordan, PhD., Executive Director of the N.C. Veterinary Health Program (NCVHP), joined the meeting. He presented an update of

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the status of the NCVHP since the last Board meeting. At 1:20 p.m. Dr. Jordan left the meeting.

At 1:20 p.m., pursuant to G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(3), Dr. Meckes made a motion, seconded by Dr. Barber, and unanimously passed, to enter into closed session for discussion of personnel issues.

At 1:40 p.m. the Board reconvened the meeting.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 1

2015039-1 **Melissa Bame Massey, DVM** (Alamance Countryside Mobile Veterinary Service) – Ms. Tina L. Brantley –  
Continued

Dr. Gemeinhardt left the meeting.

2016026-1 **Adam Webb Sisk, DVM** (Davie County Large Animal Hospital) – Ms. Shelley Lilly – No Probable Cause

Dr. Gemeinhardt returned to the meeting.

2016021-1 **Paula Kay Bullock, DVM** (Affordable Animal Care) –  
Mr. Justin Berry & Ms. Cheralyn Schmidt – Continued

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- 2016033-1 **Karen Leigh Brown, DVM** (Jacksonville Veterinary Hospital) – Mr. John & Kim Petrowski – No Probable Cause
- 2016032-1 **Quintin Malloy Hodges, DVM** (Carpenter Animal Hospital & Pet Inn) – Mr. Brett Rosenstock – Letter of Reprimand
- 2016035-1 **Kelly J. Sigle, DVM** (CVS-Animal Emergency & Trauma Center) – Mr. & Mrs. John Ronchetti – Letter of Caution
- 2016037-1 **Clinton Moran Berdeen, DVM** (Pointe South Animal Hospital) – Ms. Angela Neldon – No Probable Cause

A motion to accept the report by the Committee for Investigations No. 1, with Dr. Gemeinhardt recusing herself from the discussion and voting on complaint 2016026-1, was made Dr. Cochran and seconded by Ms. Lazaro. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board adjourned for a break at 2:41 p.m. and reconvened at 2:58 p.m.

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Report of Committee on Investigations No. 2

2014054-2 **Poppy Masterson, DVM** (Affordable Animal Care Spay  
Neuter Clinic) – Mr. & Mrs. Randy Nevils – No Probable  
Cause

Dr. Bull made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cochran, to accept the  
report of Committee on Investigations No. 2. The motion passed  
unanimously.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 5

2016009-5 **Fernando Cardenas, DVM** (3H Mobile Veterinary  
Services) – Ms. Kimberly Ely – Continued

2016011-5 **Fernando Cardenas, DVM** (3H Mobile Veterinary  
Services) – Ms. Leigh Crenshaw – No Probable Cause

2016029-5 **Sean Robert Allers, DVM** (North Mecklenburg Animal  
Hospital) – Mr. Gary Evans and Paula Purvis –  
Originally reported at the last meeting as No Probable  
Cause – returned to the Committee in order to complete

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the investigation concerning two additional veterinarians  
named in the complaint.

Dr. Bull made a motion, seconded by Ms. Lazaro, to accept the report  
of Committee on Investigations No. 5. The motion passed unanimously.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 7

2016031-7 **Fred Edward Rosen, DVM and Theodore H. Owen,**  
**DVM** (Western Carolina Regional Animal Hospital) –  
Mr. Daniel Lundahl – No Probable Cause as to both  
veterinarians

2016030-7 **Joel M. Barden, Jr., DVM** (Veterinary Medical Center)  
– Mr. Dale Makin – Continued

2016034-7 **Melissa Ann Dean, DVM** (VCA Seaside Animal  
Hospital) – Ms. Denise Bopp – No Probable Cause

Dr. Dean made a motion, seconded by Dr. Barber, to accept the report  
of Committee on Investigations No. 7. The motion passed unanimously.

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Dr. Cochran made a motion to approve the expenses for the Board Meeting, which was seconded by Dr. Bull. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board having no further business, upon motion of Dr. Cochran, seconded by Dr. Barber, and unanimously passed, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas M. Mickey  
Executive Director