

**MINUTES, North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board
Raleigh, North Carolina, April 10 & 11, 2008**

President Linwood Jernigan, D.V.M., called the regular meeting of the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board to order at 7:20 p.m. on April 10, 2008. In attendance were Board members Drs. Susan Bull, Michael Davidson, Richard Hawkins, David Marshall, Dante Martin and Mrs. Nancy Robinson, R.V.T. Also present was Board Attorney, Mr. George Hearn, and Executive Director, Mr. Thomas Mickey.

Dr. Jernigan reviewed with the Board the Governor's and North Carolina Board of Ethics statement on conflicts of interest.

Dr. Jernigan reminded the members of the Board that they must file their statement of economic interest with the North Carolina State Ethics Commission by April 15, 2008.

The Board continued its discussion from the last meeting about temporary permits.

The Board discussed 21 NCAC 66 .0206 entitled, Minimum Facility and Practice Standards. No further action was taken.

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Dr. Jernigan reconvened the regular meeting of the Board at 8:01 a.m. In attendance were Board members Drs. Susan Bull, Michael Davidson, Richard Hawkins, David Marshall, Dante Martin, and Mrs. Nancy Robinson, R.V.T. Also present was Board Attorney, Mr. George Hearn, and Executive Director, Mr. Thomas Mickey.

Dr. Jernigan reviewed with the Board, the Governor's and North Carolina Board of Ethics statement on conflicts of interest.

Warren Pendergast, M.D., Medical Director, North Carolina Physicians Health Program (NCPHP), joined the meeting. He presented an update on the status of program since the last Board meeting. After a question and answer period with the Board, he left the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

On a motion made by Dr. Martin, seconded by Dr. Marshall, the minutes for the February 7 & 8, 2008, meeting were approved.

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The Board discussed possible rules for programs for impaired veterinary personnel. No further action was taken.

Dr. Jernigan appointed a nominating committee for 2008-2009 officers of Dr. Bull, Dr. Hawkins and Dr. Martin.

The Investigator's report on his activities since the last meeting was distributed.

The meeting of the Board recessed at 9:20 a.m. for a break, and reconvened at 9:35 a.m.

The Executive Director reported on activities of the Board office since the last meeting.

A financial report was distributed to the members of the Board.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 2.

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- 2007029-2 Harold Pearce, DVM & Erik Marshall Clary,
DVM (complaint of Ms. Loretta J. Cova) –
continued.
- 2007039-2 Michael Curtis Adams, D.V.M. (complaint of the
Ms. Robin Carpenter) – Dismissed, no probable
cause.
- 2007040-2 Nathaniel Silos, D.V.M. (complaint of the Mr. &
Mrs. Emanuel Mezzano) - Dismissed, no probable
cause.
- 2007034-2 Shelley Anne Austin, D.V.M. (complaint of Ms.
Karen Pinion) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2006020-2 Susan Michele Rohrer, D.V.M. (complaint of Ms.
Mary V. Diemer) – At the request of Dr. Rohrer
the committee reconsidered its previous decision to
issue a letter of reprimand. Following the
reconsideration, the committee dismissed the
complaint, with a finding of no probable cause.
- 2007014-2 Ruston Wayne Howell, D.V.M. (complaint of Mr.
Scudday W. Sullivan) - At the request of Dr.
Howell the committee reconsidered its previous

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decision to issue a letter of reprimand. Following the reconsideration, the committee dismissed the complaint, with a finding of no probable cause.

Mrs. Robinson made a motion to approve the Committee on Investigations No. 2 report. Dr. Hawkins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 5.

- 2007033-5 Melissa Bame Beagle, DVM (complaint of Ms. Teri Kirkland) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2007035-5 James E. Schacht, DVM & Clayton Charles Watkins, DVM (complaint of Mr. & Mrs. Martin Kinnamon) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2007037-5 Art Taylor, DVM (complaint of Ms. Deborah Shanahan) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2007038-5 Cynthia L. Almond, DVM, Jessica Anne Frances Nelson, DVM & Rhodnick B. Lowe, DVM (complaint of Mr. & Mrs. Todd E. Motley) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

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Dr. Bull made a motion to approve the Committee on Investigations No. 5 report to reaffirm its decision on complaint no. 2007025-5. Dr. Hawkins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Dr. Davidson abstaining from the vote.

Dr. Bull made a motion to approve the Committee on Investigations No. 5 report. Dr. Davidson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Dr. Marshall abstaining on complaint no. 2007038-5.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Robinson, seconded by Dr. Martin, the Board approved the actual expenses for this meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote upon a motion by Dr. Hawkins and seconded by Dr. Martin at 11:36 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas M. Mickey
Executive Director