

**MINUTES, North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board
Raleigh, North Carolina, August 27 & 28, 2008**

President Linwood Jernigan, D.V.M., called the regular meeting of the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board to order at 7:00 p.m. on August 27, 2008. In attendance were Board members Drs. Susan Bull, Michael Davidson, Richard Hawkins, David Marshall, Dante Martin, Mrs. Nancy Robinson, R.V.T. and Mrs. Katie Morgan. Also present was Board Attorney, Mr. George Hearn, Executive Director, Mr. Thomas Mickey, and guest, Ms. Amy Edwards

Dr. Jernigan presented a plaque to Ms. Edwards for her service on the Board. Ms. Edwards thanked the Board and commented on her time on the Board. Ms. Edwards left the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

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

The Board started to discuss possible changes to the Veterinary Practice Act. Specifically, the Board reviewed G.S. 90 -179, Purpose of Article, 90-180, Title, and G.S. 90-181, Definitions 1 to 5.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

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Dr. Jernigan reconvened the regular meeting of the Board at 8:03 a.m. In attendance were Board members Drs. Susan Bull, Michael Davidson, Richard Hawkins, David Marshall, Dante Martin, Mrs. Nancy Robinson, R.V.T. and Mrs. Katie Morgan. 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.

On a motion made by Dr. Hawkins, seconded by Mrs. Robinson, the minutes for the July 11, 2008, meeting were approved.

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 8:20 a.m.

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

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The Board set October 8, 2008, for the date of an additional Board meeting to work on changes to the General Statutes. The meeting will start at 8:00 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.

Dr. Davidson made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$45,000 to upgrade the Board's current computer software to allow for online renewal of licenses and online applications for State and National examinations. The Board wants online applications to be available by March 31, 2009, and renewals ready for the 2010 renewal season. Dr. Martin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Bull made a motion that the Board's Executive Director seeks Board approval for expenditures greater than \$5,000. After discussion Dr. Bull retracted her motion.

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Dr. Marshall made a motion that the Executive Director has the authority to spend up to \$5,000.00 per non-operational purchase and that the Executive Director receive approval from the Board President and Secretary-Treasure for amounts greater than \$5,000.00. Non-operational purchases over \$500.00 are to be reported in the Executive Director's status report. Dr. Davidson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting of the Board recessed at 9:25 a.m. for a break, and reconvened at 9:35 a.m.

Mrs. Morgan left the meeting to attend a funeral.

Dr. Hawkins made a motion to approve the Executive Director's status and financial reports. Mrs. Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Hawkins discussed with the Board the referrals of procedures to emergency veterinary practice facilities. No further action was taken.

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Dr. Davidson, presenting as Associate Dean and Director of Clinics at North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine discussed faculty certificates and full licensure. The Board will continue this discussion at its next regular meeting.

The Board set the meeting date for the first meeting 2009 to be January 23.

The Board reviewed the veterinary technician application from Mr. Keith Antione Hines. Dr. Bull made a motion to accept his application and grant him registration should he meet all of the current registration requirements. Dr. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting of the Board recessed at 10:37 a.m. for a break, and reconvened at 10:48 a.m.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 2.

2008026-2 Marat Semenovich Dubrovsky, VV (complaint of
Mr. Elliot M. Cramer) – continued.

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- 2008007-2 Stephen Duane Blanton, DVM (complaint of the Mr. George P. Haig, DDS) – Disciplinary action, letter of caution.
- 2008028-2 Tanya S. Burtis, DVM & Derrich Alexander Phillips, DVM (complaint of the Ms. Wendy Strader) - Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2008032-2 Clifford N. Bostic, DVM (complaint of Mr. Joseph Singer) – Disciplinary action, letter of reprimand.

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

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 5.

- 2008016-5 Jenifer D. Rodriguez, DVM (complaint of Ms. Barbara Gray) – Disciplinary action, letter of caution.
- 2008018-5 Roxanne Kathleen Taylor, DVM (complaint of Ms. Brandi Golojuch) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

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- 2008022-5 Lauren Elizabeth Meadows, DVM (complaint of Ms. Angela M. Wencil) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2008023-5 Stanislaw Naruszewicz, LW (complaint of Ms. Alison Quinn) – Disciplinary action, letter of reprimand.
- 2008025-5 Leslie Sharon Brown-Hinchcliffe, DVM (complaint of Stacy Ann Jones, DVM) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2008027-5 Deborah Ann Cowan, DVM (complaint of Mr. Mike Geary & Ms. Kim Franklin) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2008031-5 Stanley Kent Robinson, DVM (complaint of Ms. Stacie Linnette Rash) – Disciplinary action, letter of caution.
- 2008033-5 Denise R. Sacks, DVM & Jessica Kavina Taylor, DVM (complaint of Mr. & Mrs. Al Walker) – The portion of the complaint against Dr. Sacks is dismissed with a finding of no probable cause. Dr.

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Taylor is to receive a letter of reprimand for her
portion of the complaint.

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. Bull abstaining on complaint no. 2008025-5 and Dr.
Jernigan abstaining on complaint no. 2008033-5.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Robinson, seconded by Dr. Bull, 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 12:11.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas M. Mickey
Executive Director