

**MINUTES, North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board
Raleigh, North Carolina, September 24, 2003**

President Herbert Justus, D.V.M., called the emergency meeting, held by telephone, of the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board to order at 3:01 P.M. Participating were Board members Drs. Joseph Gordon, Linwood Jernigan, Amy Lewis, David Marshall, Kenneth Padgett, Mrs. Nancy Robinson, R.V.T., as well as Board Attorney, Mr. George Hearn, and Executive Director, Mr. Thomas Mickey.

Dr. Lewis, Chair of the Committee on Investigations No. 8 reported on additional information that has developed concerning complaint no. 03031-2-8, the Board initiated complaint against Joel M. Barden, Jr., D.V.M. On September 22, 2003, Dr. Barden administered a rabies and a DHLPP vaccination to a dog presented to him at the Veterinary Medical Center for purposes of treatment by the Board Investigator acting in an undercover capacity. This practice of veterinary medicine violated the Board's summary emergency order of September 5, 2003, which had been served on Dr. Barden. Based on the report from the Committee, Dr. Jernigan made a motion to issue a second emergency order suspending the veterinary license of Dr. Barden pending the hearing in this matter. Mrs. Robinson seconded the motion. Following discussion Dr. Jernigan amended the motion to include seeking a civil Superior Court order in Duplin County

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for an injunction to enforce the orders of the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote upon a motion by Dr. Gordon and seconded by Dr. Padgett at 3:41 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas M. Mickey
Executive Director