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At12:06 p.m., President Richard Hawkins, D.V.M. called to order the special meeting of the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board which was held by telephone conference call. In attendance by telephone were the following Board members: Drs. Dwight E. Cochran, William Dean, Kim Gemeinhardt, David Marshall and Dante Martin; and Mr. Jonathan Loftis, R.V.T. Present by telephone were Board Attorneys Mr. George Hearn and Mr. Lee Craven, and the Executive Director, Mr. Thomas Mickey.

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

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss: (1) a proposed amendment to the Veterinary Practice Act regarding reinstatement of veterinary licenses and veterinary technician registrations which had been revoked for non-renewal; and (2) an amendment to Board Rule 21 NCAC 66.0206, which would restrict the number of continuing education credit hours that may be earned in the area of practice management for the renewal of veterinary licenses and veterinary technician registrations.

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Prior to the meeting draft amendments for each had been circulated by the Executive Director.

The Board discussed both proposals and approved for submission to the General Assembly this session the Practice Act amendment concerning reinstatement.

The Board next discussed the continuing education amendment to the Administrative Rules. No consensus was reached and the Board will continue its discussion at a future meeting.

The Board having no further business, Dr. Hawkins adjourned the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas M. Mickey Executive Director