

**MINUTES, North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board  
Raleigh, North Carolina, April 23, 2004**

President Herbert Justus, D.V.M., called the regular meeting of the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board to order at 8:06 A.M. In attendance were Board members Drs. Richard Hawkins, Linwood Jernigan, Amy Lewis, David Marshall, Kenneth Padgett, Mrs. Nancy Robinson, R.V.T., and Ms. Amy Edwards. Also present were Board Attorney, Mr. George Hearn, and Executive Director, Mr. Thomas Mickey.

The Executive Director read the minutes of the January 23, 2004, meeting. On a motion made by Dr. Padgett, seconded by Dr. Jernigan, the minutes were approved as corrected.

The Board identified another set of possible meeting dates for the administrative hearing requested by Bruce Simmons, D.V.M. as August 18, 19, & 20. Back-up dates of August 25, 26, & 27 were also selected. No further action was taken.

Mr. Hearn reviewed with the Board the letter from Charles H. Cranford, Esq. who represents William Caudle, D.V.M. Dr. Padgett made a motion that Dr. Caudle be required to appear before the Board at its next regular meeting as a condition of reinstatement of his veterinary license.

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The motion failed for lack of a second. Dr. Marshall made a motion that the Board ask Dr. Caudle to appear before the Board at its next regular meeting. Dr. Padgett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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

The Executive Director distributed a financial report to the Members of the Board. Dr. Lewis made a motion to approve the report. Dr. Jernigan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The regular meeting of the Board adjourned at 9:00 A.M. for a ten-minute break.

The regular meeting of the Board reconvened at 9:10 A.M.

The Investigator presented a report on his work since the last Board meeting. No further action was taken.

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At 9:20 a.m. Kelli Ferris, D.V.M. joined the meeting to update the Board on the draft legislation on the Companion Animal Act and to educate the Board on how the outreach program at the North Carolina State University, College of Veterinary Medicine is conducted. Following her presentation and answering questions, she left the meeting at 10:20 a.m. No further action was taken.

At 10:20 a.m. Warren Pendergast, M.D., Acting Medical Director of the North Carolina Physicians Health Program, joined the meeting. Dr. Lewis made a motion to enter into a closed session pursuant to G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(1) and § 90-187.15. Mrs. Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. At 10:21 a.m., the Board entered into closed session.

The regular meeting of the Board reconvened at 11:10 A.M.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 1.

03035-1-1 Harold Pearce, D.V.M. (Complaint of Mr. & Mrs. Fred Holt) – At the request of Dr. Pearce the Committee reconsidered the complaint. Following

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a review of the case the Committee reaffirmed its previous decision to issue a Letter of Reprimand.

- 03046-1-1 Jeffrey Denis, D.V.M. (Complaint by Mr. & Mrs. Barry Bloss) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 03040-1-1 Kim Francine Krivit, D.V.M. (Complaint by Mr. Tim Smith) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 03044-1-1 Sherri Lynn Hicks, D.V.M. (Complaint by Ms. Shirley Wetherington) – No response from Ms. Wetherington, dismissed, no probable cause.
- 01023-2-1 Kevin A. Monce, D.V.M. (Complaint by the Board) The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision to issue a Letter of Reprimand.
- 03052-1-1 Amanda Drummond, D.V.M. (Complaint of Ms. Loralie Grigas) – Disciplinary action, Letter of Caution.
- 03038-1-1 Joel K. Garrett, D.V.M. & Brian Kenneth Garrett, D.V.M. (Complaint of Ms. Louise Phillips) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 03054-1-1 Katherine Wolfe, D.V.M. (Complaint of Ms. Marcia Hartmann) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

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04004-1-1 Thomas Jesse Watson, D.V.M. (Complaint of Ms. Alexa B. MacPherson) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

04002-1-1 William Ezra Rodgers, III, D.V.M. and Elizabeth G. Bauer, D.V.M. (Complaint of Ms. Suzanne R. Evans) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

Dr. Lewis made a motion to approve the Committee on Investigations Number 1 report. Dr. Padgett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 7.

03043-1-7 Stacy Jefferson Chappell, D.V.M. (Complaint of Ms. Barbara K. Glenn) – Disciplinary action, Letter of Caution.

03051-1-7 Mark A. McMahon, D.V.M. and William Ian Ross, D.V.M. (Complaint by Mr. Glen Peterson) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

03039-1-7 William Perkins Hay, D.V.M. (Complaint of Ms. Frances Andrews) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

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03039-1-7 Robert Webster, D.V.M., Margaret Kuhn, D.V.M.  
and Thomas Kuhn, D.V.M. (Complaint of Mr. &  
Mrs. Donald Cuniff) – Dismissed, no probable  
cause.

03055-1-7 Robert Ray Rednour, D.V.M. and Steven David  
Rushton, D.V.M. (Complaint of Ms. Shirley Buck)  
– The portion of the complaint against Dr. Rushton  
is dismissed and Dr. Rednour should receive a  
Letter of Caution for the portion of the complaint  
against him.

03047-1-7 Randolph William Wetzel, D.V.M. (Complaint of  
Ms. Carolyn Lester) – Dismissed, no probable  
cause.

03053-1-7 Christopher Ryan Koester, D.V.M. (Complaint of  
Ms. Marie James) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

Dr. Jernigan made a motion to approve the Committee on  
Investigations Number 7 report. Dr. Hawkins seconded the motion. The  
motion passed unanimously.

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The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m. for lunch.

The regular meeting of the Board reconvened at 1:15 p.m.

The Board reviewed the change to the business standard mileage rate set by the Internal Revenue Service. Dr. Padgett made a motion to change the reimbursement rate to 37.5 cents per mile. Mrs. Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Robinson made a motion to approve the contract between the National Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners and the Board to provide the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination. Dr. Jernigan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Padgett made a motion to approve the contract between the Professional Examination Service and the Board to provide the Veterinary Technician National Examination. Dr. Lewis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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The Board reviewed the Survey of Veterinary State Regulatory Boards from the American Veterinary Medical Association's Educational Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates (ECFVG). Dr. Marshall made a motion to answer yes to question 1, "Is your state veterinary regulatory board in favor of adding board certification in an AVMA-recognized veterinary specialty organization as an option for complete Step 4 of the ECFVG program." His motion also included answering no to question 4, "If board certification were added to Step 4 of the ECFVG certification program, would your state issue specialty or restricted licenses to those veterinarians who complete the ECFVG program through board certification?" Dr. Lewis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the letter from Mr. Robert Fuller, Managing Partner, AVIC Holdings, LLC concerning their proposal to bring advanced imaging technologies to the veterinary market in North Carolina. Dr. Marshall made a motion to request Mr. Fuller to attend the next meeting of the Board and make a formal presentation. Dr. Padgett seconded the motion. The motion passed with Dr. Justus opposed.



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Dr. Justus appointed a Nominating Committee consisting of Mrs. Robinson, Dr. Padgett and Dr. Jernigan. The Committee is to recommend a slate of officers at the next Board meeting.

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

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote upon a motion by Dr. Jernigan and seconded by Mrs. Robinson at 1:35 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas M. Mickey  
Executive Director