

**MINUTES, North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board  
Raleigh, North Carolina, May 21, 2015**

At 8:00 a.m., President Kim D. Gemeinhardt, D.V.M. called to order the regular meeting of the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board. In attendance were the following Board members: Drs. William K. Dean, Dwight E. Cochran, Susan K. Bull, Jane A. Barber and Robert Douglas Meckes; and Jonathan S. Loftis, R.V.T. Also present were Board Attorneys, Mr. George Hearn and Mr. Lee Craven. Executive Director, Mr. Thomas Mickey was present as well.

Dr. Gemeinhardt reviewed with the Board, the Governor's and the North Carolina Board of Ethics' statement on recognizing and avoiding conflicts of interest. She also reviewed G.S. § 90-179 of the North Carolina Veterinary Practice Act.

Dr. Gemeinhardt recognized Benjamin S. Turner, DVM practice facility inspector for the Board. Dr. Turner announced his pending retirement, waiting the hiring of his replacement. Dr. Gemeinhardt acknowledged his accomplishments during his veterinary career and service to the Board. Dr. Turner left the meeting.

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On motion by Dr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Loftis, the minutes for the March 27, 2015, Board meeting were approved after corrections were made.

Mrs. Katie O. Morgan joined the meeting.

At 8:15 a.m., Joseph P. Jordan, PhD., Clinical Director of the N.C. Veterinary Health Program (NCVHP), joined the meeting. Dr. Jordan asked approval from the Board for a new member to be on the Compliance Committee. The Board approved by acclamation.

Dr. Jordan left the meeting at 8:20 a.m.

The Board Investigator gave a report of his activities since the last meeting.

At 9:07 a.m., the Board recessed for a break and reconvened at 9:15 a.m.

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The Executive Director reported on operational and administrative activities of the Board since the last Board meeting. He distributed a financial report which the Board reviewed and discussed.

At 9:35 a.m., Dr. Patricia Norris, North Carolina Department of Agriculture, Animal Welfare Director, joined the meeting. Dr. Norris reported that she has started reviewing the facilities regulated under the Animal Welfare Act concerning the issue of who performs surgery and veterinary care. A discussion followed. It was decided Mr. Hearn will draft a proposed change to the veterinary practice concerning the exemption of administering to owned animal (G.S. § 90-187.10).

Dr. Meckes left the Board meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Dean motioned that the drafts of proposed changes from Mr. Hearn be presented at next Board meeting. Dr. Bull seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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At 10:55 a.m., the Board recessed for a break and reconvened at 11:05 a.m.

Dr. Bull continued the discussion from the last Board meeting on the issue that some Mobile Veterinary practices are not observing having written agreements for hospital, radiation, and emergency services. No further action was taken.

At 12:20 p.m., the Board adjourned for a working lunch resuming the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Dr. Barber and Dr. Dean presented the job description for the “Deputy Director” position.

Dr. Dean made a motion to the Board to accept the job description and recommended salary for a “Deputy Director” to staff a full time position. The position should be advertised accordingly. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cochran. Mr. Loftis recused himself from this vote. The motion was approved.

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The Board discussed making a presentation at the October 2015 meeting of the North Carolina Academy of Small Animal Medicine. Dr. Bull will coordinate the presentation.

At 1:10 p.m., Dr. Meckes returned to the Board meeting.

Pursuant to G.S. § 90-143-318.11(a)(b) a motion was made to go into closed session for discussion of staff salary by Mr. Loftis and seconded by Dr. Barber at 1:27 p.m.

At 2:20 p.m., the Board reconvened from the closed session.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 1

2014050-1 **Brian Trumpatori, DVM; Laurel Williams, DVM;**

**Scott M. Wells, DVM** (VSH-of the Carolinas) – Trish & Mike Oliva – No probable cause for all doctors involved.

2014052-1 **Kevin D. Matthews, DVM** (Saluda Veterinary Hospital)

– Ms. Janet Sherron – No probable cause

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2015001-1 **Brianne Renae Gildesperger, DVM** (Carolina Equine Clinic) – Ms. Linda Selbach – No probable cause.

A motion made to accept Report of Committee on Investigations No. 1 was made by Dr. Cochran and seconded by Mr. Loftis. The motion passed.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 2

2014002-2 **Courtney Lynn Barnes (Gray), RVT** – (Healthy Paws Animal Hospital of Brier Creek & Wake Forest) – Dr. Dawn Lanza – Continued.

2014011-2 **Jordan Quinn Jaeger, DVM** – (North Wake Animal Hospital) – Dr. Justin Church – Continued.

2014016-2 **Jordan Quinn Jaeger, DVM** – (North Wake Animal Hospital) – Mr. Glenn Voisine – Continued.

2014037-2 **Paula Kay Bullock, DVM** – (Affordable Animal Care Spay Neuter Clinic) – Mr. Blake Barrington – Continued.

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2014049-2 **Robert W. Ridgeway, DVM** (The Pet Hospital of New Bern) – NCVMB – Consent order with \$300 civil monetary penalty.

2014026-2 **Paula Kay Bullock, DVM** (Affordable Animal Care Spay Neuter Clinic) – Ms. Shelley Parisi Reaves – Continued.

2014021-2 **Scott Markston Wells, DVM; Brian Trumpatori, DVM; Kari Miller, DVM** (VSH of the Carolinas, Cary) – Ms. Natalie Savieo – No probable cause for all doctors involved.

2014053-2 **Paula Kay Bullock, DVM** (Affordable Animal Care Spay Neuter Clinic) – Ms. Elizabeth Hathaway – Continued.

2014054-2 **Paula Kay Bullock, DVM** (Affordable Animal Care Spay Neuter Clinic) – Mr. & Mrs. Randy Nevils – No probable cause. Board to initiate a complaint against **Dr. Poppy Masterson, DVM.**

2015004-2 **Paula Kay Bullock, DVM** (Affordable Animal Care Spay Neuter Clinic) – Mr. & Mrs. Harman – Continued.

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Dr. Bull made a motion to accept the report of Committee on Investigations No. 2. Mr. Loftis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Following discussion, upon motion by Dr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Loftis, which unanimously passed, the Board found the following factors set forth in G.S. § 90-187.8(b)(2) [the gravity of the violations]; and (b)(5) [prior disciplinary record] to support the civil monetary penalty against Robert W. Ridgeway, DVM, in complaint 2014049-2.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 3

2015002-3 **David A. Wilson, DVM** (East Lincoln Animal Hospital)

– Ms. Rita Guiney – No probable cause.

2015003-3 **Jason Arthur Streck, DVM** (After Hours Veterinary Emergency Clinic) – Mr. & Mrs. Shifflette – Letter of Caution.



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Dr. Bull made a motion to accept the Report of Committee on Investigations No. 3. Dr. Barber seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 9

2014034-9 **Gregory Arthur Arnold, DVM; Lisa Morgan Dixon, DVM; Kristi Lynn Sluiter, DVVM; Courtney Adams, RVT** – (Carolina Veterinary Specialists - Huntersville) – Mr. & Mrs. Horst Fleck – No probable cause for Drs. Arnold, Dixon, and Sluiter. Letter of Reprimand for Courtney Adams, RVT.

Dr. Meckes made a motion to accept the Report of Committee on Investigations No. 9. Dr. Dean seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Barber recused herself from the vote.

At 4:15 p.m. the Board recessed for a break reconvening at 4:25 p.m.

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The Nominating Committee for the 2015-2016 Board Officers made the following recommendations. Dr. Gemeinhardt to remain President, Dr. Dean to become Vice President, and to become Mr. Loftis Secretary/Treasurer.

Mrs. Morgan motioned to accept the recommendations for the slate of officers for 2015-2016 Board, seconded by Dr. Barber. Motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Loftis made a motion to approve the expenses for the Board Meeting, seconded by Dr. Bull. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board, having no further business, upon motion of Dr. Bull, seconded by Dr. Barber, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas M. Mickey  
Executive Director