

**MINUTES, North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board
Asheville, North Carolina, June 28, 2007**

President Linwood Jernigan, D.V.M., called the regular meeting of the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board to order at 8:01 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 Ms. Amy Edwards. 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 Ms. Edwards, seconded by Dr. Bull, the minutes for the March 30, 2007, meeting were approved.

Dr. Jernigan introduced Michael G. Davidson, D.V.M. who has replaced Amy J. Lewis, D.V.M. His term expires June 30, 2011.

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 March meeting. After a question and answer period with the Board, he left the meeting. Mrs. Robinson made

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a motion to renew the contract with NCPHP for the period February 2007 to January 2008. Dr. Martin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board's Investigator presented a report on his activities since the March meeting. No further action was taken.

Dr. Turner, the Board's inspector, reported on the status of practice facility inspections. No further action was taken.

The meeting of the Board recessed at 9:15 a.m. for a break, and reconvened at 9:25 a.m.

Dr. Jernigan formed a Committee, consisting of Dr. Bull, Dr. Martin and Ms. Edwards, to review and recommend rules for impairment.

The Executive Director reported on activities of the Board office since the last meeting. No further action was taken.

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A financial report was distributed to the members of the Board.

Following discussion, Dr. Bull made a motion to approve the report. Dr.

Martin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 2.

2006050-2 David Gerald Vigeo, D.V.M. (complaint of Mrs. Teresa E. Stines) – At the request of Mrs. Stines the Committee reconsidered its previous decision to dismiss the complaint. Following reconsideration, the Committee reaffirmed its decision to dismiss the complaint.

2006020-2 Susan Michele Rohrer, D.V.M. (complaint of Ms. Mary V. Diemer) – The Committee withdrew its previous decision to dismiss the complaint with a finding of no probable cause and instead continued the complaint for further review.

2007010-2 Ronni Reiffe LaVine, D.V.M. (complaint of Ms. Rhonda & Tammy Lewis) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

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- 2007006-2 Marat Semenovich Dubrovsky, V.V. (complaint of Ms. Nancy Johnson) – Disciplinary action, letter of caution.
- 2007018-2 Rachel Ann Butterworth-Tice, D.V.M. (complaint of Mr. & Mrs. Jason Boyd) – Disciplinary action, letter of caution.
- 2007016-2 Fred B. McCashin, V.M.D. (complaint of Mr. Robert Stearns) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2007014-2 Robert Christian Ford, D.V.M. & Ruston Wayne Howell, D.V.M. (complaint of Mr. Scudday W. Sullivan) – The portion of the complaint against Dr. Howell is dismissed, with a finding of no probable cause. The portion of the complaint against Dr. Ford is disciplinary, with a finding of a letter of reprimand.
- 2007015-2 Jeffrey Allen Nunez, D.V.M. & Michael S. Grafinger, D.V.M. (complaint of Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Tinaglia) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

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2007020-2 John B. Christoph, D.V.M. (complaint of Ms. Jan Sprinkle & Mr. Ricky Robinson) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

2007011-2 Amy Blades McKnight, D.V.M. & Sarah L. Vivrette, D.V.M. (complaint of Ms. Linda Berg) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

2007012-2 Amy Blades McKnight, D.V.M. & Sarah L. Vivrette, D.V.M. (complaint of Ms. Carolina A. Dowd) – Continued

Dr. Bull made a motion to approve the Committee on Investigations No. 2 report. Mrs. Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Dr. Bull abstaining from the vote regarding complaint 2007020-2 (Dr. Christoph).

The meeting of the Board adjourned at 11:55 a.m., for lunch, and reconvened at 1:02 p.m.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 5.

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- 2007001-5 Mark Douglas Ledyard, D.V.M. (complaint of Mrs. Carol A. Ross) - Disciplinary action, letter of reprimand.
- 2006070-5 Clarence Elridge Dunning, D.V.M. (complaint of Mrs. Olive Johnson) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2006035-5 Eugene Upshaw, Jr., D.V.M. (complaint of Ms. Marie W. Best) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2007003-5 Steven A. Walker, D.V.M. (complaint of Ms. Lauren Scioscia) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2007007-5 Stephanie Anne Moore, D.V.M. (complaint of Mr. Steven J. Vadala) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2007005-5 Edward Blake Peuifoy, D.V.M. (complaint of Ms. Shannon D. Hinson) - Disciplinary action, letter of caution.
- 2006068-5 James Melvin Howard, D.V.M. & Karessa Michelle Schaffer, D.V.M. (complaint of Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Moore) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

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- 2006076-5 Sharon B. King, D.V.M. (complaint of Mrs. Annie H. Michael) - Disciplinary action, letter of caution.
- 2007013-5 Kevin Arthur Monce, D.V.M. (complaint of Ms. Terri L. Rhoades) – Disciplinary action, letter of caution.
- 2007009-5 Alex Nicholas Fisher, D.V.M. (complaint of Ms. Luba NyKyforuk) - Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2007019-5 Andrea Corinne Lantis, D.V.M. (complaint of Mr. & Mrs. George I. Fenton) – Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 2007017-5 Martha R. Davis, D.V.M. (complaint of Ms. Paula S. Rose) - Disciplinary action, letter of reprimand.
- 2006063-5 Theresa Ann Wisk-Carroll, D.V.M., Jaroslaw Wojciech Zdanowicz, D.V.M. & Joseph H. Kinnarney, D.V.M. (complaint of Ms. Angela Escontrias) – The portion of the complaint against Dr. Wisk-Carroll is dismissed. The portion of the complaint against Dr. Zdanowicz and Dr. Kinnarney is a letter of caution.

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Dr. Bull made a motion to approve the Committee on Investigations No. 5 report. Dr. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with Dr. Jernigan abstaining from the discussion and vote regarding complaint 2006063-5 (Drs. Wisk-Carroll, Zdanowicz & Kinnarney) and Dr. Davidson abstaining from the discussion and vote regarding complaint 2007019-5 (Dr. Lantis).

The Board reviewed the letter sent to Dr. Hawkins from Charles W. Miller, Jr., DVM. On the letterhead under the name of his facility are the words, "Your Complete Pet Medical Center." The Board directed a letter be sent to Dr. Miller concerning the using of the descriptive term, "Medical Center."

The Board set the dates of the next two Board meetings to be August 24 and November 1.

The Nominating Committee presented its slate of officers for 2007-2008. The Committee nominated Dr. Jernigan for President, Dr. Marshall for Vice-President and Mrs. Robinson for Secretary-Treasurer. Dr. Hawkins made a motion that the slate of officers be approved and elected to their

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respective positions. Dr. Bull seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Upon a motion by Dr. Bull, seconded by Dr. Martin, the Board approved the actual expenses for this meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote upon a motion by Dr. Martin and seconded by Dr. Bull at 3:57 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas M. Mickey
Executive Director