

**MINUTES, North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board  
Asheville, North Carolina, June 24, 2004**

President Herbert Justus, D.V.M., called the regular meeting of the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board to order at 8:07 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 April 23, 2004, meeting. On a motion made by Dr. Padgett, seconded by Dr. Hawkins, the minutes were approved as corrected.

At 8:20 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 8:21 a.m., the Board entered into closed session.

The regular meeting of the Board reconvened at 9:00 A.M.

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At 9:05 a.m., Mr. Robert Fuller and Mr. Jeff Williams, of AVIC Holdings, LLC, appeared before the Board to make a formal presentation to the Board about bringing advanced imaging technologies to the veterinary market in North Carolina. They left the meeting at 9:35 a.m. No further action was taken.

The regular meeting of the Board adjourned at 9:35 A.M. for a ten-minute break.

The regular meeting of the Board reconvened at 9:45 A.M.

The Board discussed the presentation on AVIC Holdings, LLC. The Executive Director is to send a letter agreeing in principal to the proposal and require notification to the Board should the process deviate from the proposal. No further action was taken.

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

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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. Jernigan made a motion to approve the report. Dr. Hawkins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed information about the new veterinary technology program being developed at the Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College. The Board directed Mr. Hearn to send a letter to the director of the program expressing the Board's concerns about the language being used to describe the program.

Dr. Lewis made a motion to approve the purchase of an additional fireproof file cabinet for the Board office. Dr. Padgett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 1.

03049-1-1 Charles W. Enloe, D.V.M. (Complaint of Ms.

Christie Squirrel) – Continued by the Committee.

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- 04006-1-1 Steven A. Walker, D.V.M. (Complaint by Ms. Jennifer Webb) – Disciplinary action, Letter of Caution.
- 04008-1-1 Susan Ries Valashinas, D.V.M. and Annette Ward Whited, D.V.M. (Complaint by Mr. & Mrs. Jeremy Hudson) – The portion of the complaint against Dr. Whited is dismissed with a finding of no probable cause. The portion of the complaint against Dr. Valashinas is a disciplinary action, Letter of Caution.
- 03048-1-1 Amanda Lee McKee, D.V.M. & Lisa Ann Kingsbury, D.V.M. (Complaint by Ms. Victoria Foskolos) – No response from Ms. Foskolos, dismissed, no probable cause.
- 04012-1-1 Patricia Norris Feeser, D.V.M. & Eileen Greenan Whitten, D.V.M. (Complaint by Ms. & Mrs. Donald Ryan) - Dismissed, no probable cause.
- 99043-2-0 William Cooper, D.V.M. (Complaint of the Board) – Disciplinary action, Letter of Reprimand.

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00046-2-1 Jonathan Kent-Kealii Stone, D.V.M. (Complaint of the Board) – Disciplinary action, Letter of Reprimand.

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

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 7.

04001-1-7 Christine C.Y. Weaver, D.V.M. (Complaint of Ms. Deborah Link) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

04003-1-7 John Patrick Galligan, Jr. (Complaint by Ms. Carol Sanford) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

04007-1-7 Norman F. Manning, D.V.M. & Jennifer Marie Smith, D.V.M. (Complaint of Mr. & Mrs. Danny Newberry) – The portion of the complaint against Dr. Manning is dismissed, no probable cause. Dr. Smith is to receive a disciplinary action, Letter of Caution.

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04013-1-7 Cara Jane Roten-Henson, D.V.M. (Complaint of Mrs. Norma Roark) – Disciplinary action, Letter of Caution.

04011-1-7 Katherine Elaine Smith, D.V.M. (Complaint of Charles M. Coats, D.V.M.) – Disciplinary action, Letter of Caution.

04009-1-7 Art R. Taylor, D.V.M. (Complaint of Mr. & Mrs. Chris Souther) – Disciplinary action, Letter of Caution.

04005-1-7 Susan Michele Rohrer, D.V.M. (Complaint of Mr. Sam R. Gore) – Disciplinary action, Letter of Caution.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 a.m. for lunch.

The regular meeting of the Board reconvened at 12:55 p.m.

04017-1-7 James E. Brown, D.V.M. (Complaint of Tonya Higgins, D.V.M.) – Dr. Higgins was satisfied with

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the response of Dr. Brown, so the complaint is considered withdrawn.

02045-1-7 Bruce Simmons, D.V.M. (Complaint by Mr. & Mrs. Rod Orozco) – Following the receipt of new information from Dr. Simmons the Committee recommended that the previous decision to issue a Letter of Reprimand be rescinded and instead a Letter of Caution be issued.

Dr. Jernigan, who abstained from Complaint # 04009-1-7, made a motion to approve the Committee on Investigations Number 7 report. Dr. Hawkins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Committee on Investigations No. 1 recommended that the Letter of Reprimand previously issued to Kevin Arthur Monce, D.V.M. to resolve complaint no. 01023-2-1 be retracted as the result of new information. Dr. Lewis made a motion to adopt the recommendation. Mrs. Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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The Board set the date for the next Board meeting to be in Raleigh on August 27, 2004. Possible meeting dates for the remainder of the fiscal year are November 12, 2004, January 14, April 8, and June 23, 2005.

The Nominating Committee presented their slate of officers for 2004-2005. The Committee nominated Dr. Justus for President, Dr. Lewis for Vice President and Dr. Marshall for Secretary-Treasurer. Dr. Padgett made a motion that the slate of officers be approved and elected to their respective positions. Dr. Lewis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the presentations and discussions in relevant committee meetings, with the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Association, attended by certain members of the Board. The Board determined that by holding its June meeting in Asheville, North Carolina, it provided Board Members with communication, discussion and learning opportunities that did and will enable the Board to more effectively fulfill its responsibilities. While the Board considers its office in Raleigh to be its regular and preferred meeting site, the Board determined that meetings in the same general locations where other veterinary professional groups are



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convening can be a communication resource for the Board. Upon a motion by Dr. Padgett, seconded by Dr. Hawkins, the Board approved the actual expenses incurred for travel, meals and lodging for Board Members, Board Attorney, Executive Director and Staff.

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote upon a motion by Dr. Padgett and seconded by Dr. Hawkins at 1:25 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas M. Mickey  
Executive Director