

BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
110 CENTERVIEW DRIVE, ROOM 111
COLUMBIA, S.C.
THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2007, 9:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman, Stephen G. Colquhoun, D.V.M., Vice – Chairman, Paul D. Patrick, D.V.M., Secretary, D.V.M., Claude H. Schumpert, D.V.M., Glen B. Haynes, D.V.M., Albert W. Platt, D.V.M, David M. Oliver, D.V.M, Christine Hartman, L.V.T. and Cindy W. Nord, Ph.D.

MEMBERS ABSENT: James M. Harris, D.V.M.

OTHERS PRESENT: Donald W. Hayden - Board Administrator, Sharon Dantzler – LLR Legal Services, Marcia Rosenberg, Mag Moton - Administrative Assistant, P. C. Faglie – LLR Investigations and Enforcement, Ruby McClain – Deputy Director, Pat Hanks – LLR Legal Counsel, Shirley Robinson, LLR Advise Attorney, James Love, D.V.M. and Melissa McCloud, L.V.T.

Public Notice of this meeting was posted at the S. C. Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners offices, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, S.C. 29210 and provided to all requesting persons, organizations and news media in compliance with Section 40-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

Dr. Colquhoun called the meeting to order and noted that a quorum was present to conduct business.

The opening session of the meeting began with the introduction of the Board members and the welcoming/introduction of new Board member, Christine Hartman, L.V.T, the first licensed veterinary technician to be appointed to the Board.

The meeting proceeded with the approval of the January 11, 2007 Board Minutes.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 11, 2007 BOARD MINUTES

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Platt and seconded by Dr. Schumpert, to accept the minutes of the January 11, 2007 meeting as printed.

RECOVERING PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM UPDATE

Due to the absence of Frank Sheehan, Executive Director of the Recovering Professional Program, who was scheduled to give an update on the Recovering Professional Program, this session of the meeting was postponed.

IRC MINUTES OF APRIL 27, 2007

Meeting proceeded with the Review of April 26, 2007 IRC minutes.

IRC COMPLAINTS:

2005-1	-	Dismiss
2005-29	-	Dismiss
2005-53	-	Dismiss
2006-15	-	Dismiss
2006-21	-	Dismiss
2006-36	-	Dismiss
2006-45	-	Dismiss
2006-52	-	Dismiss
2006-54	-	Dismiss
2007-8	-	Dismiss
2007-12	-	Dismiss
2007-1	-	Dismiss

The meeting proceeded with IRC recommendations for Formal Complaints.

2005-21	-	Formal Complaint
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The meeting proceeded with IRC recommendations for Letters of Caution.

2005-30	-	Letter of Caution
2006-4	-	Letter of Caution
2006-9	-	Letter of Caution
2006-25	-	Letter of Caution
2006-53	-	Letter of Caution

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Patrick to accept the April 26, 2007 IRC recommendations of Dismissals, Formal Complaint and Letters of Caution. The motion was seconded by Dr. Schumpert. The motion carried unanimously.

APPLICANT REVIEW

The examination application of William R. Cooper, D.V.M. was reviewed for discipline in another jurisdiction. The Board agreed that an amendment to question #5 on Dr. Cooper's application be submitted to the Board's office.

Motion: Dr. Platt moved, with a second, that upon receipt of the amended application, Dr. Cooper's application be approved for examination. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: A motion was made to take a fifteen (10) minute break. The motion received a second. The motion carried. Time recessed: 9:23 a.m.

Motion: Dr. Colquhoun moved that the Board reconvene meeting. The motion received a second. The motion carried. Meeting convened at 9:35 a.m.

The meeting proceeded with the Board Hearing.

HEARING

The Hearing Opening Statement was given by Dr. Colquhoun. The meeting proceeded with Case# 2006-31.

Case# 2006-31

Dr. Platt recused himself from hearing Case# 2006-31.

Pat Hanks, Board's litigation attorney summarized the Formal Complaint of Case# 2006-31. An opening statement was given by the respondent who was not represented by counsel. P.C. Faglie, LLR Office of Investigations and Enforcement was called to testify in Case# 2006-31.

Motion: A motion was made to go into executive session to conduct a hearing in Case# 2006-31. The motion received a second. The motion carried. Time recessed 10:30 a.m.

Motion: Dr. Colquhoun moved that the Board reconvene in public session. The motion received a second. The motion carried. Meeting reconvened at 11:15 a.m.

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Schumpert to dismiss Case# 2006-31 (no violation) with a Letter of Concern. Motion seconded by Dr. Nord. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion: A motion was made to take a ten (10) minute break. The motion received a second. The motion carried. Time recessed: 11:20 a.m.

Motion: Dr. Colquhoun moved that the Board reconvene meeting. The motion received a second. The motion carried. Meeting reconvened at 11:30 a.m.

The meeting proceeded with the Hearing of Case# 2005-17.

Case# 2005-17 - Consent Order

Pat Hanks, LLR litigation attorney, summarized the Consent Order in Case# 2005-17.

Motion: A motion was made to go into executive session to conduct a hearing in Case# 2005-17. The motion received a second. The motion carried. Time recessed 11:38 a.m.

Motion: Dr. Colquhoun moved that the Board reconvene in public session. The motion received a second. The motion carried. Meeting reconvened at 12:03 p.m.

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Patrick to approved the Consent Order under conditions, that the Consent Order be revised to reflect a ninety (90) day requirement for written paperwork instead of the sixty (60) day requirement. The motion received a second. The motion carried unanimously.

Case# 2005-24 – Consent Order

Case# 2005-24 – Consent Order was not listed on the Board’s agenda. Shirley Robinson, LLR advise attorney informed the Board that it would be appropriate to add Case# 2005-24 during today’s Board meeting. Case# 2005-24 Consent Order was previously submitted to the Board and rejected by the Board. The Consent Order (rejected format) was resubmitted today. Board questioned the qualifications of the assigned physician that is responsible for doing a psychological evaluation on the respondent. Attorney Hanks will research and give a report.

Motion: A motion was made to go into executive session to conduct a hearing in Case# 2005-24. The motion received a second. The motion carried. Time recessed 12:11 p.m.

Motion: Dr. Colquhoun moved that the Board reconvene in public session. The motion received a second. The motion carried. Meeting reconvened at 12:31 p.m.

Dr. Patrick recused himself from hearing Case# 2005-24.

Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Hayes to table Case# 2005-24 until written documentation of a psychological assessment/evaluation is submitted to the Board. Dr. Platt seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

RULES AND REGULATIONS UPDATE

Sharon Dantzler, LLR general counsel informed the Board that the final draft of the South Carolina Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners’ Rules and Regulations was

published in the April registry and is in its thirty (30) day comment period. To date there has been no negative comments.

Dr. Platt questioned continuing education requirements for licensed veterinary technicians that was not included in the final draft. Attorney Dantzler informed the Board that if there was an intent to have different continuing education requirements (30 hrs. biennially) for veterinarians and licensed veterinary technicians, the requirements was not included in the final draft. Attorney Dantzler stated that the final draft would have to be pulled to make changes. Attorney Dantzler requested that the number of continuing educations hours and the number of hours a veterinary technician may earn in distance learning programs be submitted to her for revision of the draft.

NEW BUSINESS

Board Policy Statements

Dr. Colquhoun stated that the some of the Board Policy Statements were omitted from previous mailings to the Board members.

Case# 2005-24 – Consent Order

The New Business – Board Policy Statements was interrupted, Pat Hanks, LLR litigation attorney, presented to the Board, credentialed copies of the assigned physician to do the respondent's evaluation in Case# 2005-24 – Consent Order. The credentials stated that the physician is a psychiatrist. Attorney Hanks' attempts to contact the psychiatrist today were unsuccessful. Case# 2005-24 – Consent Order was tabled for the next scheduled Board meeting of July 19, 2007.

The meeting resumed with New Business – Board Statement Policies

Board Policy Statements

A complete listing of the Board Statement Polices is to be submitted to Board members prior to the next meeting. Dr. Colquhoun asked that Board members review all of the Board's Statement Policies that are to be placed on the agenda for the July 19, 2007 Board meeting.

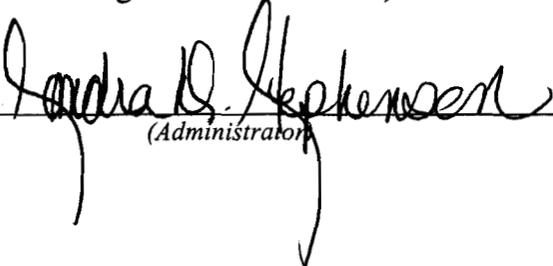
Ad Hoc Committee (Best Practice Issues)

Dr. Colquhoun questioned and requested input on what the Board can do in setting minimum standards to help the citizens and licensees of the state. Best Practice Issues tabled for July 19, 2007 meeting.

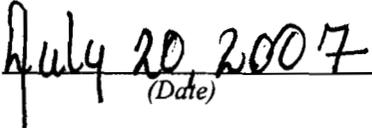
Dr. Platt requested that a copy of updated regulations and a copy of old regulations be included in the notebooks for the meetings.

The next meeting of the South Carolina Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners will be held on Thursday, July 19, 2007.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 1:38 p.m.



(Administrator)



(Date)