

THE OHIO VETERINARY MEDICAL LICENSING BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
January 14, 2009

• **Call to Order:**

Dr. Roger Redman, President of the Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board called the January 14, 2009 meeting to order at 8:34 a.m. in the Board room located at 77 South High Street, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio.

• **Roll Call:**

Dr. Roger Redman, DVM	present
Dr. David Koncal, DVM	present
Dr. Janet Small, DVM	absent
Dr. Darrell Gitz, DVM	present
Dr. James Hearst, DVM	present
Renee Jessen, RVT	absent
Geoffrey Smith, Public Member	absent (arrived at 9:23 a.m.)

• **Acknowledge Staff, AAG & Guests:**

Dr. Redman acknowledged the attendance of Theresa Stir, Executive Director, Barry McKew, AAG and Angela Mann, Licensure Coordinator taking minutes for the Board.

• **December 2008 Minutes Approved:**

Dr. Gitz moved to accept the meeting minutes as submitted. Dr. Koncal seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal, aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye, Dr. Redman-aye.

• **President's Report:**

There was no report from the President.

• **Secretary's Report:**

There was no report from the Secretary.

• **OVMA Liaison:**

There was no report from the OVMA liaison.

- **OAVT Liaison:**

There was no report from the OAVT liaison.

- **Executive Director Report:**

- A. NAVLE/Ross University – Ms. Stir provided the Board with an email from Anita Casey-Reed from the National Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners (NBVME) asking for clarification about taking the NAVLE through Ohio without being enrolled in ECFVG or PAVE. The Board directed Ms. Stir to send a letter reaffirming our position.
- B. Fiscal – Ms. Stir provided the Board with the second quarter FY09 revenue and expense reports. She also updated the Board on the remaining funds for the Student Loan Repayment Program. Dr. Koncal asked Ms. Stir where our payroll monies come from. Ms. Stir explained those funds are in a separate 510 account. She will bring a full report to next month's Board meeting. Dr. Gitz suggested that the Board review all funds annually.
- C. Policies – Ms. Stir provided the Board with the proposed revisions to Chapter VI and the updated IT policies. Ms. Stir would like to separate out the IT policies into its own IT chapter as well as create a chapter for other Administrative Policies such as the Domestic Violence Policy.
- D. Legislation – Ms. Stir stated that House Bill 648 which will require state agencies to adopt rules governing access to confidential personal information passed the Senate and the House conferred with the amended version on December 17, 2008. The amended version is supposed to eliminate the need to log each access of confidential personal information if the access occurs as a result of the research performed for official agency purposes, routine office procedures or incidental contact with the information.
- E. Rules – Ms. Stir provided the Board with a new proposed Rule 4741-1-10 OAC. The language is the same language that was deleted from 4741-1-03 OAC when revised last year. The Board reviewed a copy of the AG's opinion.

Dr. Koncal moved to file Rule 4741-1-10 with JCARR. Dr. Hearst seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye, Dr. Redman-aye.

- F. Online Renewal – Ms. Stir told the Board that online renewal is up and running. So far it is going very well. She further explained that we have received comments from registered veterinary technicians stating that the CE field on the online renewal form should allow for more characters. Ms. Stir explained that this is considered work in progress. Ms. Stir also wanted to thank Renee Jessen for her time testing the system.

- **FYI:**

The Board reviewed the following with no comment:

- A. Letter from AVMA granting provisional accreditation to the Kent State University-Tuscarawas Veterinary Technology Program.
- B. Quarterly Newsletter of the National Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners: Nov. 2008
- C. Regulatory Reform Task Force Report

• **Requests for Licensure:**

- A. Veterinarians (addendum 1) – Dr. Koncal moved to approve the following requests for veterinarian licenses.

Janet L. Turner, DVM; Claire R. Beauchamp, DVM; Lauren Kavula Schlasinger, DVM; Kevin P. Smith, DVM; Kirsten M. Moore, DVM; Satish K. Rathee, DVM; Jon R. Schmidt, DVM; Erin E. Haas, DVM; Daniel J. Conquest, DVM; Roy A. Davis, DVM; Denise A. Bevins, DVM; Catherine M. Lambert, DVM.

Dr. Hearst seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye, Dr. Redman-aye.

- B. Registered Veterinary Technicians (addendum 2) – Dr. Koncal moved to approve the following requests for registered veterinary technician licenses.

Elizabeth M. Mendenhall, RVT; Tyea N. Pritchard, RVT; Jessica A. Gears, RVT; Leah K. Gruber, RVT; Suzanne A. Kaufman, RVT; Victoria R. LoSchiavo, RVT; Cynthia A. Skowronek, RVT; Kristen H. Sevier, RVT; Amanda D. Vershall, RVT; Carrie A. Rhoda, RVT; Adrienne E. Varrato, RVT; Chelsea M. Renninger, RVT; Angela D. Taylor, RVT.

Dr. Hearst seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye, Dr. Redman-aye.

- C. Temporary Permits (addendum 3) – Dr. Koncal moved to approve the following requests for Temporary Permits.

Julie C. Miller, DVM; Sarah J. Woodhouse, DVM.

Dr. Hearst seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye, Dr. Redman-aye.

- D. Limited Licenses (addendum 4) – Dr. Koncal moved to approve the following requests for Limited Licenses.

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Dr. Hearst seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye, Dr. Redman-aye.

- **Executive Session, Assistant Attorney General Reports:**

Dr. Gitz moved to go into Executive Session at 9:00 a.m. for the Assistant Attorney General Report. Dr. Koncal seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye, Dr. Redman-aye.

Dr. Redman announced the Board meeting back in public session at 9:12 a.m.

- **Settlement Agreement:**

A. 08-09-088, Dr. Koncal moved to acknowledge the Settlement Agreement. Dr. Hearst seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye, Dr. Redman-aye.

- **Tabled Cases:**

A. 08-09-078, complainant Bonnie & Bruce Ferone – Dr. Koncal moved to close the case. Dr. Gitz seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye, Dr. Redman-aye.

- **New Complaints (no responses yet requested):**

[Mr. Smith arrived at 9:23 a.m.]

A. 08-09-156, complainant Ohio Department of Agriculture – Dr. Gitz moved to send a cease and desist letter and directed Ms. Stir to forward the complaint to the Indiana Veterinary Board. Dr. Koncal seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.

B. 08-09-158, complainant Alex Stosman – Dr. Gitz moved to close the case stating the Board does not have jurisdiction. Dr. Hearst seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.

- **Complaint Responses Received:**

A. 08-09-118, complainant Travis Mansfield – Dr. Gitz moved to close the case. Dr. Koncal seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.

B. 08-09-125, complainant Steven Tingley-Hock – After reviewing the X-rays, Dr. Koncal moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Gitz seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.

- C. 08-09-137, complainant Connie Sccuci – Dr. Koncal moved to send an advisory letter. Dr. Hearst seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.
- D. 08-09-141, complainant Dave & Molly Chatham – Dr. Koncal moved to forward the case to investigation. Dr. Gitz seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.
- E. 08-09-142 – complainant David Tabaka – Dr. Hearst moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Koncal seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.
- F. 08-09-144, complainant Paul DelBane – Dr. Gitz moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Koncal seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.

[Break: 10:30 a.m. – 10:48 a.m.]

- G. 08-09-147, complainant Frances Henry – After reviewing the X-rays, Dr. Koncal moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Hearst seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.
 - H. 08-09-151, complainant Linda Gorelova – Dr. Koncal moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Hearst seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.
 - I. 08-09-152, complainant Kimmie Thieraup – After reviewing the X-rays, Dr. Koncal moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.
 - J. 08-09-154, complainant Jolie Edsall – Dr. Gitz moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Hearst seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.
 - K. 08-09-155, complainant Penny & Alex Murray – Dr. Koncal moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Gitz seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.
- **Compliance Inspection:**
 - A. 06-07-124, Dr. Gitz moved to send a letter to Dr. A stating that Dr. A needs to dispose of all expired drugs and to forward the case to an investigator. Dr. Koncal seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.

- **Continuing Education Requests - Veterinarians**

Dr. Hearst moved to approve the following continuing education requests for veterinarians as follows:

- A. Ohio Dairy Veterinarians: 01/9/09 & 01/10/09 = 11.5 hours
- B. Pfizer –
 - 1.) Equine Pain Management: 2/18/08 = 1 hour
 - 2.) Herpes Virus Infections in the Horse: 2/18/08 = 1 hour
- C. MedVet Associates –
 - 1.) Medical, Radiation, & Surgical Oncologists: 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month = 1 hour
 - 2.) ~~Modern Medievalism & Armored Combat Demonstration: 11/12/08 = DENIED~~
 - 3.) Caudal Occipital Malformation Syndrome: 11/26/08 = 1 hour
 - 4.) Cataract Surgery & Anterior Lens Luxation: 12/2/08 & 12/9/08 = 2 hours
 - 5.) Meningoencephalitis of Unknown Origin: 12/10/08 = 1 hour
 - 6.) Hot Topics from IVECCS: 12/18/08 = 1 hour

Dr. Koncal seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.

- **Continuing Education Requests – RVT’s**

Dr. Hearst moved to approve the following continuing education requests for registered veterinarian technicians as follows:

- A. MedVet Associates – Glaucoma: 12/15/08 = 1 hour

Dr. Koncal seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.

- **Continuing Education Requests – Veterinarians and RVT’s:**

Dr. Hearst moved to approve the following continuing education requests for veterinarians and registered veterinarian technicians as follows:

- A. Cleveland Academy of Veterinary Medicine –
 - 1.) The Leadership Mindset: 11/19/08 = Non-scientific
 - 2.) Short Term Pharmacological Control Fears: 1/14/09 = 1 hour
 - 3.) Taking the Bite out of Restraint: 1/14/09 = 2 hours
 - 4.) Medical Rule Outs for Behavioral Diagnoses: 1/14/09 = 1 hour
 - 5.) Financial Management in a Bad Economy: 11/19/08 = Non-scientific
 - 6.) Empowering Your Employees: 11/19/08 = Non-scientific
- B. Beaver Animal Clinic – Building Your Practice by Integrating Nutraceuticals & Healthy Diets: 5/3/09 = 6 hours

- C. Butler & Warren Counties Veterinary Medical Association – Handling Prescription Drugs in the Office: 11/11/08 = 2 hours
- D. Charles River Laboratories – 2008 Animal Welfare Training: Various dates = 2 hours
- E. Eastern Ohio Veterinary Medical Association – Inflammatory Bowel Disease & GI Rounds: 1/14/08 = 1.5 hours
- F. American Humane Association – Euthanasia by Injection = hour for hour
- G. The Ohio State University - Canine Theriogenology: 1/24/09 & 1/25/09 = hour for hour
- H. Toledo Veterinary Medical Association – 2008 Fall Seminar: 11/2/08 = 6 hours
- I. Nestle Research Center –
 - 1.) Understanding of Insulin & Aging: 5/14/09 = 1 hour
 - 2.) Cats & Urine: 5/14/09 = 1 hour
- J. AVMA PLIT – 2008 Legislative Update: 5/15/09 – Non-scientific
- K. Merial -
 - 1.) Re-invent & Renew Your Practice: 5/16/09 = Non-scientific
 - 2.) Cancer in Small Animals: 5/16/09 = 1 hour
- L. Prudential Financial – Employee Benefits: 5/14/09 = Non-scientific
- M. Sound – Ultrasound-Guided Endoscopic Laser Ablation: 5/14/09 = 1 hour
- N. Lilly Companion Animal Health – Flea Allergy Dermatitis: 5/14/09 = 1 hour
- O. Purina Care – Pet Health Insurance: 5/15/09 = Non-scientific
- P. Bayer Animal Health – Heartworm Research: 5/16/09 = 1 hour
- Q. LiteCure, LLC – Therapeutic Laser Techniques: 5/15/09 = 1 hour
- R. Pet Health Network – Communication & Compliance: 5/15/09 = 1 hour
- S. MedRx – Ear Diseases for Dogs & Cats: 5/15/09 = 2 hours
- T. Ethicon Endo-Surgery, Inc. –
 - 1.) Work Place Conduct: 7/28/08 = Non-scientific
 - 2.) Managing Diversity & Inclusion: 9/10/08 = Non-scientific
- U. Pfizer Animal Health –

- 1.) Zoonotic Diseases: 2/20/09 = 1.5 hours
 - 2.) Radiology Positioning Workshop: 9/8/08 = 3 hours
 - 3.) Radiology Positioning Workshop: 9/11/08 = 4 hours
 - 4.) Why Spin Your Next Fecal & urinalysis?: 9/10/08 = 2 hours
 - 5.) Diagnostic Approach to the Pruritic Canine & Feline Patient / Guided Veterinary Dermatology: 12/16/08 = 4 hours
 - 6.) Diagnostic Approach to the Pruritic Canine & Feline Patient / The Differential Diagnosis & Treatment of Parasitic Dermatoses: 12/17/08 = 2 hours
 - 7.) Veterinary Dermatology in the New Millennium / Guided Veterinary Dermatology: 12/17/08 = 4 hours
 - 8.) Diagnostic Approach to the Pruritic Canine & Feline Patient / Guided Veterinary Dermatology: 12/18/08 = 2.5 hours
- V. Intervet Schering Plough Animal Health – Anthelmintics & Vaccine Technology: 1/15/09 = 2 hours
- W. MWI, CEVA & Purina –
- 1.) Cognitive Dysfunction Syndrome: 2/4/09 = 1 hour
 - 2.) Thunderstorm Phobia in Dogs & Cats: 2/4/09 = 1 hour
- X. Purdue University – Annual Fall Conference: 9/18/08 = 6 hours

Dr. Koncal seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Dr. Koncal-aye, Mr. Smith-aye, Dr. Gitz-aye, Dr. Hearst-aye.

• **Requests for Reconsideration:**

- A. 08-09-082, complainant Gale Noble – The Board reviewed Ms. Noble’s request for reconsideration of her case and came to a general consensus that the initial decision made at the September 2008 Board meeting ruling no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC still stands.
- B. 08-09-133, complainant Helen Kerr – The Board reviewed Ms. Kerr’s request for reconsideration of her case and came to a general consensus that the initial decision made at the December 2008 Board meeting ruling no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC still stands.
- C. 08-09-136, complainant Alicia Dobrowolski-Sogar – The Board reviewed Ms. Dobrowolski-Sogar’s request for reconsideration of her case and came to a general consensus that the initial decision made at the December 2008 Board meeting ruling no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC still stands.

• **Correspondence Received:**

- A. The Board reviewed correspondence from Claudia Kalish, DVM seeking guidelines related to performing ovariectomies instead of ovariohysterectomies. The Board directed Ms. Stir to provide a letter to Dr. Kalish explaining that the Board does not have specific guidelines regarding the topic however veterinarians are expected to provide detailed appropriate information to their patients about the procedures.

- B. 06-07-155, Cynthia Young, DVM - The Board reviewed correspondence from Cynthia Young, DVM regarding her case. The Board directed Ms. Stir to provide Dr. Young with a letter stating that the Board complied with all legal requirements and the case will remain closed.
- C. The Board reviewed correspondence from an anonymous writer regarding unlicensed veterinarians. The Board decided to table the case until next meeting.
- D. The Board reviewed correspondence from an anonymous writer requesting that the Board investigate a deceased veterinarians' office for drug inventory and records. The Board decided that no action is needed.

- **New Business:** NONE

- **Directives:**

The reading of the meeting directives was deferred.

- **Next Board Meeting:**

Dr. Redman acknowledged that the next Board meeting will be held February 11, 2009, 8:30 a.m. in the Board room located at 77 South High Street, 31st Floor, Columbus, Ohio.

- **Adjournment:** 11:30 a.m.

Dr. Roger Redman, President

Date

Attested to by:

Theresa Stir, Esq.
Executive Director