

**Oregon Veterinary Medical Examining Board
Doubletree Hotel
1000 NE Multnomah
Portland, OR**

FINAL MINUTES

October 29, 2010 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Rocky Liskey, Public Member, was unable to attend the meeting.

Present (both days):

Dolores Galindo, CVT (Chair)

Mr. Mark Reed, Public Member (Vice-Chair)

Drs. Lauren Acton, Robert Lester, Mark McConnell, Marla McGeorge, Colleen Robertson
Lori Makinen, Director

Dennis Chaney, Investigator (present Friday only)

Carol Parks, Assistant Attorney General

Conducted in Executive Session

Attorney Report: cases 07-0024/24, 08-0005/08/14/36, 09-0024

The Board conducted interviews for the following cases:

09-0028, 10-0004B, 10-0005, 10-0007, 10-0011.

The Board reviewed the following new cases:

10-0002, 10-0012, 10-0015, 10-0016, 10-0017.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Saturday, October 30, 2010

Public Session Convened

Ms. Galindo called the meeting to order at approximately 9:45 a.m. Mr. Reed moved, Dr. Lester seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda and July meeting minutes.

Ms. Galindo shared a book on the history of veterinary medicine. She noted that boards make veterinary history by improving the practice and the profession and creating paths for individuals to take and grow in the profession. She said that reviewing and refreshing the mission statement helps members stay grounded and focused on the Board's purpose, which is to protect the public. She noted as an instructor at PCC she hears that many veterinary assistants administer rabies and induce anesthesia. She tries to instill professional ethics in students and ensure they are aware of employee limitations and can help educate employers not to expect employees to engage in unlawful practices in clinics. She urged more attention to enforcing limitations on non-certified veterinary employees. Dr. Lester suggested more emphasis on the advantages of having certified technicians in a practice. Ms. Galindo suggested encouraging assistants to expand and increase their professional development as a career goal.

Ms. Makinen updated the Board on legislative concepts and progress in the budget process, and administrative issues at the Board office.

OVMA: Glenn Kolb said that OVMA is considering looking into non-vet ownership and premise permits. He reported OVMA members' concerns over the Board's summer newsletter and continued confusion over the new pain management rules.

Ms. Galindo and Dr. McConnell presented their conclusions on the extent of CVT responsibility in dental extraction. Ms. Galindo and Dr. Lester will research other states' rules on this topic. Ms. Makinen will draft amendments.

The Board went into Executive Session for further discussion of cases 07-0022, 08-0005/08/14/36 and 10-0011.

The Board resumed Public Session and heard Dr. Lester's report of his attendance at the September annual meeting of the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB) in Baltimore. Dr. Lester said over 100 persons attended, comprising board members, directors attorneys and veterinary school deans. Thirty-seven delegates represented the 57 member states and provinces. Dr. Lester's take away: self-governance of the veterinary profession is critically important and must be retained.

The Board welcomed Marty Schulze, program manager of the Linn Benton Community College (LBCC) veterinary assistant program. Mr. Schulze sought Board approval of the 29-hour LBCC short course as a sole path to VTNE eligibility. The Board recommended that Mr. Schulze expand the curriculum to better resemble an AVMA-accredited program, and declined to change its rules for this request.

Ms. Galindo and Dr. Lester will work on language to expand scope of practice for CVTs with advanced speciality certification.

Dr. McGeorge will review the Euthanasia Task Force (ETF) rules and recommend changes needed to conform the rules to the dissolution of the ETF.

Dr. McConnell will investigate academic licensure in Colorado and find out if OSU requires its instructors to pass the North American Veterinary Licensing Exam (NAVLE).

Complaint Resolution

09-0028—Mr. McConnell moved, Mr. Reed seconded and the Board voted unanimously to issue a Notice of License Revocation against Dr. Donna Starita.

10-0004B—Dr. McGeorge moved, Dr. Lester seconded and the Board voted unanimously to close the case without discipline.

10-0005—Dr. Acton moved, Dr. McGeorge seconded and the Board voted by majority to close the case without discipline. Dr. McConnell recused.

10-0002—Dr. Lester moved, Dr. McGeorge seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to find no violation of the Veterinary Practice Act.

10-0012—Dr. McConnell moved, Dr. Acton seconded and the Board voted unanimously to close the case without discipline.

10-0015—Dr. Lester moved, Mr. Reed seconded and the Board voted unanimously to issue a Notice of Proposed Discipline to Dr. Barry.

10-0016—Dr. McGeorge moved, Mr. Reed seconded and the Board voted unanimously to close the case without discipline.

10-0017—Dr. McConnell moved, Dr. McGeorge seconded and the Board voted unanimously to find to no violation of the Veterinary Practice Act. Dr. Robertson recused.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:30 p.m.

Next meeting: March 4-5, 2011, Portland.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Makinen, Director