

Oregon Veterinary Medical Examining Board

January 20, 2004

Portland, Oregon

FINAL MINUTES

Present: Dr. Jon Betts (Chair)
Drs. Emilio DeBess, Martha DeWees, Kris Otteman-Brant, Leon Pielstick
Dolores Galindo, CVT
Ms. Jo Ann Dewey & Mr. Rocky Liskey, Public Members
Lori Makinen, Executive Director
Dennis Chaney, Investigator
Carol Parks, Board Counsel
Jim Gores, Budget and Management Division, Dept. of Admin. Svcs.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. The agenda was approved as amended. Draft minutes for the October meeting were approved.

Executive Director Report:

Staff continues to process veterinary and veterinary technician license renewals. Over 75 percent of veterinarians renewed their licenses prior to or by the deadline. Second notices will be sent in February. Fees for veterinary technician renewals were waived in accordance with the Board's agreement with the Legislature.

The Director conveyed advice from the Board's attorney concerning email messages between and among Board members vis-a-vis compliance with public meeting provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act.

Requests for public hearing have been received regarding the Board's proposed amendment of OAR 875-030-0040 (administration of rabies vaccine by certified veterinary technicians). A public hearing will be scheduled for mid-February in Salem.

The Attorney General has been asked to render an informal opinion on the state Office of Degree Authorization's decision concerning degrees from St. Kitts and Nevis.

Dr. Pielstick summarized an OVMA concern and potential legislative concepts regarding ORS 686.040(2).

Dr. DeWees summarized her attendance at the AVMA Leadership Conference. Of particular interest were some states' consideration of changing veterinary practice law terminology to substitute 'guardian' for 'owner' and the legal ramifications thereof. Other topics included redefining leadership, increased mentoring of students, and recruitment into public health and government work.

Attorney Report:

Ms. Parks discussed the definition of 'person' in the statutes and how it relates to the Board's authority over various public and private entities. Further research was requested.

The Board went into executive session to discuss cases 03-0009, 03-0013, 03-0015 through 17.

Disposition of cases:

The Board ratified issuance of Final Orders for Drs. Jernstedt, McNabb and Rush.

03-0002—Dr. DeBess moved, Dr. Pielstick seconded and the Board voted unanimously to lift the emergency suspension of the license of Dr. Terry McCoy and issue an amended stipulated agreement.

03-0009—Investigation ongoing.

03-0013—Ms. Dewey moved, Dr. Pielstick seconded and the Board unanimously voted to withdraw the proposed notice of license revocation of Dr. Susan Matlock, and issue a stipulated agreement and order.

03-0014—Dr. DeWees moved, Ms. Dewey seconded, and Board voted unanimously to withdraw the proposed notice of license revocation of Dr. Jimmy Conrad, now deceased.

03-0015—Ms. Dewey moved, Dr. Otteman-Brant seconded and the Board voted unanimously to find no violation of the Veterinary Practice Act.

03-0016—Investigation ongoing.

03-0017—Investigation ongoing.

Next meetings: March 8, 2004, Corvallis
 June 7-8, 2004, Bend

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 4pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Makinen, Director