

1 **MINUTES**

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3 **Board of Veterinary Medicine**
4 **General Business Meeting**
5 **Mission Inn Resort & Club**
6 **10400 County Road 48**
7 **Howey-in-the-Hills, Florida 34737**
8 **March 7, 2017**

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10 **CALL TO ORDER**

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12 Dr. Leonard, Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

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14 **Pledge of Allegiance**

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16 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

17 Dr. Robert B. Leonard, Jr., Chair
18 Dr. Robert R. Hase, Jr., Vice - Chair
19 Dr. Harvey Partridge
20 Dr. Sharon Powell
21 Dr. Rudd Nelson
22 Suzanne S. Inzina

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24 **MEMBERS ABSENT**

25 Connie Johnson- Excused

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27 **OTHERS PRESENT**

28 Ruthanne Christie, Executive Director
29 Clark Jennings, Board Counsel
30 Elizabeth Henderson, Prosecuting Attorney
31 Amanda Senn, Government Analyst
32 Joy Hayes Court Reporting, (352) 726-4451

33 **PROBATION ROLL CALL**

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35 Dr. Leonard asked Mrs. Senn to call the roll.

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37 The following probationers were present;

38 Richard D'Amico, DVM
39 Ram Prasad, DVM
40 Tanya-Marie Anne Higgins, DVM
41 Larry Britt, DVM
42 Scott Gregory, DVM
43 Haydee Perez-Tirse, DVM

44 Haynes Stevens, DVM
45 Richard Jaffe, DVM
46 Rafael Gomara, DVM
47 Scott Langton, DVM

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49 **APPROVAL OF December 6, 2016 MEETING MINUTES**

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51 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to approve the minutes.

52 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina.

53 Motion passed unanimously.

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55 **DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS**

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57 **Jerry P. Shank, DVM**

58 **Case number 2015-048570**

59 **VM 1605**

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61 Dr. Shank was not present at the meeting due to medical issues.

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63 Dr. Leonard approved a continuation to the June Board meeting.

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65 **Deanna J. Thornell, DVM**

66 **Case number 2016-036634**

67 **VM 12627**

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69 Dr. Thornell was not present per the agreement in the settlement stipulation.

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71 Dr. Hase was recused due to his participation on the probable cause panel.

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73 Dr. Thornell was charged with violation of 474.214 (1) (b), F.S., having a license or
74 authority to practice veterinary medicine revoked, suspended, or otherwise acted
75 against, including the denial of licensure, by the licensing authority of any jurisdiction,
76 including any agency or subdivision thereof.

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78 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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80 **MOTION:** Dr. Nelson made a motion to accept the settlement stipulation as
81 presented. The stipulation includes a letter of reprimand and \$128.10 in
82 costs to be paid within 30 days of the filing of the order.

83 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina.

84 Motion passed unanimously.

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88 **Steven Craig Allday, DVM**
89 **Case number 2016-029651**
90 **VM 4474**

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92 Dr. Allday was not present per the agreement in the settlement stipulation.
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94 Dr. Hase was recused due to his participation on the probable cause panel.
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96 Dr. Allday was charged with violation of 474.214 (1) (b), F.S., having a license or
97 authority to practice veterinary medicine revoked, suspended, or otherwise acted
98 against, including the denial of licensure, by the licensing authority of any jurisdiction,
99 including any agency or subdivision thereof.

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101 Dr. Allday was charged with violation of 474.214(1)(jj), F.S., failing to report to the board
102 within 30 days, in writing, any action set forth that has been taken against the
103 practitioner's license to practice veterinary medicine by any jurisdiction, including any
104 agenda or subdivision thereof.

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106 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.
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108 **MOTION:** Dr. Powell made a motion to accept the settlement stipulation as
109 presented. The stipulation includes a fine of \$1300.00 and costs of \$189.41 to be paid
110 within 30 days of the filing of the final order.

111 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina.
112 Motion passed unanimously.
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114 **Review/Approval of Applications**
115 **Norman Newton, DVM – Initial License by Endorsement**

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117 Dr. Newton was present and was sworn in by the court reporter.
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119 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.
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121 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to issue Dr. Newton's license and place it on a
122 one year of probation from the date of issuance.

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124 **SECOND:** Dr. Partridge.
125 Motion passed unanimously.
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127 **Daniel Trovillion, DVM – Initial License by Endorsement**

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129 Dr. Trovillion was not present or represented at the meeting.
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131 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

132 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to deny the application for licensure until Dr.
133 Trovillion could make himself available to the board for review.

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135 **SECOND:** Dr. Nelson.
136 Motion passed unanimously.

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138 **Mandeep Bhullar, DVM, - Initial License by Endorsement**

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140 Dr. Bhullar was present and sworn in by the court reporter.

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142 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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144 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made the motion to approve the application for Dr. Bhullar with
145 probation for 18 months, during which time he will be subject to 3 records inspections,
146 requiring 5 record pulls to be reviewed by Dr. Partridge and if there are any issues,
147 appearance before the board would be required.

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149 **SECOND:** Dr. Partridge.
150 Motion passed unanimously.

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152 **Reconsiderations**

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154 **Eric Schnirman, DVM**

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156 Dr. Schnirman was not present or represented at the meeting. Dr. Schnirman made a
157 request to the board for a payment plan and reduction of the fines and cost of his case.

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159 Dr. Leonard recused himself from voting. After discussion by the board the following
160 motions were made.

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162 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made the motion to give Dr. Schnirman a one year extension to
163 pay his fine and cost to be paid quarterly and split into equal payments.

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165 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina.
166 Motion passed unanimously.

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168 **PROBATION**

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170 **Richard D'Amico, DVM**

171 Dr. D'Amico was present at the meeting and was sworn in by the court reporter.

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173 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to accept Dr. D'Amico's probation appearance.

174 **SECOND:** Dr. Nelson.
175 Motion passed unanimously.

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Ram Prasad, DVM

Dr. Prasad was present at the meeting and was sworn in by the court reporter. For the record, Dr. Leonard stated that under the prior disciplinary order that Dr. Prasad may not issue health certificates.

MOTION: Dr. Hase made a motion to accept Dr. Prasad’s probation appearance.

SECOND: Dr. Powell.

Motion passed unanimously.

Tanya-Marie Ann Higgins, DVM

Dr. Higgins was present at the meeting and was sworn in by the court reporter.

MOTION: Dr. Partidge made a motion to accept Dr. Higgins probation appearance.

SECOND: Dr. Hase.

Motion passed unanimously.

Larry Britt, DVM

Dr. Britt was present at the meeting and was sworn in by the court reporter.

MOTION: Dr. Hase made a motion accept Dr. Britt’s probation appearance.

SECOND: Ms. Inzina.

Motion passed unanimously.

Scott Gregory, DVM

Dr. Gregory was present at the meeting and was sworn in by the court reporter.

MOTION: Dr. Hase made a motion accept Dr. Gregory’s probation appearance.

SECOND: Dr. Nelson.

Motion passed unanimously.

Haydee Perez-Tirse, DVM

Dr. Perez-Tirse was present at the meeting was sworn in by the court reporter.

MOTION: Ms. Inzina made a motion to accept Dr. Perez-Tirse’s probation appearance and established that Dr. Perez-Tirse’s last scheduled probation appearance would March 2018.

SECOND: Ms. Powell.

Motion passed unanimously.

Haynes Stevens, DVM

Dr. Stevens was present at the meeting along with Counsel Ed Bayo and was sworn in by the court reporter.

220 Mr. Bayo made a request to the board that Dr. Stevens probation be terminated due to
221 the improvement of his record keeping results.
222 Attorney Henderson made the motion that the Department did not join Attorney Bayo in
223 his request.

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225 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.
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227 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to terminate Dr. Stevens probation with the
228 conditions that Dr. Stevens would have one more probation appearance in 2018. Dr.
229 Stevens would also be required to complete 4 additional records inspections, with 20
230 records being pulled at each inspection, over the next 3 years to be reviewed by Dr.
231 Richardson.

232 **SECOND:** Dr. Powell.
233 Motion passed unanimously.

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235 **Richard Jaffe, DVM**

236 Dr. Jaffe was present at the meeting and was sworn in by the court reporter.

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238 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion accept Dr. Jaffe's probation appearance.

239 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina.
240 Motion passed unanimously.

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242 **Rafael Gomara, DVM**

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244 Dr. Gomara was present at the meeting and was sworn in by the court reporter.

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246 **MOTION:** Dr. Nelson made a motion to accept Dr. Gomara's probation appearance.

247 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina.
248 Motion passed unanimously.

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250 **Scott Langton, DVM**

251 **MOTION:** Dr. Powell made a motion to accept Dr. Langton's probation appearance.

252 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina.
253 Motion passed unanimously.

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255 **RATIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS**

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257 **Licenses**

258 **MOTION:** Dr. Nelson made a motion to accept the licensure list.

259 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina
260 Motion passed unanimously.

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262 **Continuing Education**

263 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to accept the continuing education list.

264 **SECOND:** Dr. Powell.
265 Motion passed unanimously.

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267 **REPORTS**

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269 **Executive Director – Ruthanne Christie**

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271 Ms. Christie presented handouts to the Board concerning horse massage and the
272 AAVSB Vault.

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274 Ms. Christie reviewed the dates of future meetings. June 2017 in St. Petersburg,
275 Florida and September 2017 in Stuart, Florida.

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277 **Board counsel – Clark Jennings**

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279 **Draft Language Rule 61G18.12.007, F.A.C**

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281 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to accept rulemaking process, rule development,
282 and name change.

283 **SECOND:** Dr. Nelson
284 Motion passed unanimously.

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286 **Draft Language Rule 61G18.11.002(3), F.A.C.**

287 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to accept rulemaking process, rule development,
288 and name change.

289 **SECOND:** Dr. Partridge.
290 Motion passed unanimously.

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292 **Prosecuting Attorney – Elizabeth Henderson**

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294 Ms. Henderson reviewed her report with the board. She stated the number of ULA
295 cases has increased and she continues to process cases from the last PCP agenda.

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297 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to continue year old cases.

298 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina.
299 Motion passed unanimously.

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301 **Board Chair – Dr. Leonard**

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303 **OLD BUSINESS**

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305 No discussion.

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309 **NEW BUSINESS**

310 There was a discussion about the possibility of changing the date of the June 2017
311 Board meeting.

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313 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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315 Trish Graham addressed the Board and gave information on the Vet Techs in Florida.

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317 **PROBATION ROLL CALL**

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319 Mrs. Senn called the probation roll and all were present.

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321 **ADJOURN**

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323 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

324 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina.

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326 The meeting adjourned at 11:39 A.M.