

1 **MINUTES**

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3 **Board of Veterinary Medicine**
4 **General Business Meeting**

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6 **Friday, June 23, 2023 at 9 A.M.**
7 **The Shores Resort and Spa 2637 South Atlantic Avenue**
8 **Daytona Beach Shores, FL 32118**
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10 **CALL TO ORDER**

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12 Dr. Leonard, Chair called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
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14 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

15 Dr. Robert B. Leonard, Jr., Chair
16 Dr. Rudd Nelson- Vice Chair
17 Dr. Christopher Smith
18 Dr. Sharon Powell
19 Dr. Mario Cabrera
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22 **MEMBERS ABSENT**

23 Ms. Connie Johnson – excused
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25 **OTHERS PRESENT**

26 Ruthanne Christie, Executive Director
27 Ed Tellechea, Board Counsel
28 Elizabeth Henderson, Prosecuting Attorney
29 Hunter McLendon, Government Analyst
30 Volusia Reporting Company – 386-255-2150
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32 **PROBATION ROLL CALL**

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34 Dr. Leonard asked Mr. McLendon to call the roll.
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36 The following probationers were present;
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38 Christopher Carrier, DVM
39 Michael Elpert, DVM
40 Mohammed Hassan, DVM
41 Alfredo Lichoa, DVM
42 Kuria Muchemi, DVM
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45 The following probationers were absent:

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47 None.

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49 **APPROVAL OF March 17, 2022 MEETING MINUTES**

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

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53 **SECOND:** Dr. Cabrera.

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55 Motion passed unanimously.

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57 **American Association of Veterinary State Boards Presentation with Jim Penrod**

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59 Mr. Penrod updated the board on AAVSB's initiatives, and the Racetrack program.

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61 **Applications for Review**

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63 **Atalla Ishak – Initial License by Endorsement**

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65 Dr. Ishak was not present.

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

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69 **MOTION:** Dr. Powell made a motion to approve the application contingent on an
70 appearance at the next meeting. The board reserves the right to place conditions on the
71 license.

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73 **SECOND:** Dr. Smith.

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75 Motion passed unanimously.

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77 **Natasha Jones – Initial License by Endorsement**

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79 Dr. Jones was not present.

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

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83 **MOTION:** Dr. Powell made a motion to approve the application contingent on an
84 appearance at the next meeting. The board reserves the right to place conditions on the
85 license.

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87 **SECOND:** Dr. Cabera.
88 Motion passed unanimously.

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91 **Tad Hurvitz – Initial License by Endorsement**

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93 Dr. Ishak was present and sworn in by the court reporter.

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

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97 **MOTION:** Dr. Leonard made a motion to approve the application.

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99 **SECOND:** Dr. Powell.

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101 Motion passed unanimously.

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103 **Javier Funez – Initial License by Endorsement**

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105 Dr. Funez was present and sworn in by the court reporter.

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

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109 **MOTION:** Dr. Nelson made a motion to approve the application.

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111 **SECOND:** Dr. Cabrera.

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113 Motion passed unanimously.

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117 **DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS**

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119 **Settlement Stipulations**

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121 **Amy Crista Bosecker, DVM**

122 **Case No. 2021-056916**

123 **PC: Dr. K Jones and Dr. S. Powell**

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125 Dr. Bosecker was present with her attorney Mr. Degailer, and was sworn in by the court
126 reporter.

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128 Dr. Bosecker was charged with violation 474.214(1)(r) Being guilty of incompetence or
129 negligence by failing to practice medicine with that level of care, skill, and treatment

130 which is recognized by a reasonably prudent veterinarian as being acceptable under
131 similar conditions and circumstances.and 474.214(1)(ee) Failing to keep
132 contemporaneous medical records.

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

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136 **MOTION:** Dr. Leonard made a motion to reject the settlement stipulation as
137 presented.

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139 **SECOND:** Dr. Smith.

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141 Dr. Bosecker accepted the counter offer on the record.

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143 Motion passed unanimously.

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145 **MOTION:** Dr. Leonard made a motion to offer a counter stipulation, with one year of
146 probation with an appearance at the first and last meeting, with a fine of \$4000.00, costs
147 of \$604.77, two record pulls with five records each, and three hours of continuing
148 education on spinal injury.

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150 **SECOND:** Dr. Smith.

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152 Motion passed unanimously.

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154 **Charles David Craton, DVM**

155 **Case No. 2021-036374**

156 **PC: Dr. K Jones and Dr. S. Powell**

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158 Dr. Craton was present with his attorney Mr. Reynolds, and was sworn in by the court
159 reporter.

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161 Dr. Craton was charged with violation 474.214(1)(r) Being guilty of incompetence or
162 negligence by failing to practice medicine with that level of care, skill, and treatment
163 which is recognized by a reasonably prudent veterinarian as being acceptable under
164 similar conditions and circumstances. And 474.214(1)(ee) Failing to keep
165 contemporaneously written medical records as required by rule of the board.

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

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169 **MOTION:** Dr. Smith made a motion to accept the settlement stipulation as presented
170 with one year of probation, costs of \$743.90 and a fine of \$2000.00.

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172 **SECOND:** Dr. Nelson

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174 Motion passed unanimously.

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176 **Joshua Nelson Harvey, DVM**
177 **Case No. 2022-048372**
178 **PC: Dr. K Jones and Dr. S. Powell**

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180 Continued to September.

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186 **PROBATION**

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189 **Christopher Carrier** **2021-000189**

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191 Dr. Carrier was present and sworn in by the court reporter.

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193 **MOTION:** Dr. Nelson made a motion to accept the appearance.

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195 **SECOND:** Dr. Cabrera.

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198 **Mohammad Naim Hassan, DVM** **2019-057849**

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200 Dr. Hassan was present and sworn in by the court reporter.

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202 The Board gave advice on the practice manual, noting need for coverage of drug
203 handling, after hours coverage, veterinarian staff titles and responsibilities, scope of
204 work, etc.

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206 **MOTION:** Dr. Cabrera made a motion to accept the appearance.

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208 **SECOND:** Dr. Smith.

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210 Motion passed unanimously.

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212 **Alfredo Lichoa, DVM** **Application#139512**

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214 Dr. Lichoa was present and sworn in by the court reporter.

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

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218 **MOTION:** Dr. Powell made a motion to accept this appearance.

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220 **SECOND:** Dr. Nelson.

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222 Motion passed unanimously.

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224 **Kuria Muchemi, DVM**

2021-027509

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226 Dr. Muchemi was present and sworn in by the court reporter.

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

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230 **MOTION:** Dr. Cabrera made a motion to accept this appearance.

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232 **SECOND:** Dr. Smith

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234 Motion passed unanimously.

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236 **Michael Elpert, DVM**

2018-040702

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238 Dr. Elpert was present and sworn in by the court reporter.

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

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242 **MOTION:** Dr. Leonard made a motion to accept this appearance.

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244 **SECOND:** Dr. Smith.

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246 Motion passed unanimously.

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249 **RULES- Report**

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251 Mr. Tellechea presented the reports to the board.

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253 **MOTION:** Dr. Cabera made a motion to delegate approval of the annual regulatory
254 plan to the chairman.

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256 **SECOND:** Dr. Smith.

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258 Motion passed unanimously.

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260 **Review of 61G18-12.008 –**
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262 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.
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264 **MOTION:** Dr. Leonard made the motion to open the rule for development, Ms. Christie
265 and Attorney Tellechea will draft language for the next meeting.
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267 **SECOND:** Dr. Nelson.
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269 Motion passed unanimously.
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271 **Review of 61G18-12.014 –**
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273 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.
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275 **MOTION:** Dr. Leonard made the motion to open the rule for development, Ms.
276 Christie and Attorney Tellechea will draft language for the next meeting.
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278 **SECOND:** Dr. Cabrera.
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280 Motion passed unanimously.
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283 **REPORTS**
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285 **Board Counsel Report- Ed Tellechea**
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287 Attorney Tellechea gave an update.
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289 **Prosecuting Attorney – Elizabeth Henderson**
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291 No update.
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293 **MOTION:** Dr. Leonard made a motion to continue prosecution of year old cases.
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295 **SECOND:** Dr. Powell.
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297 Motion passed unanimously.
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299 **Ratification of Applications**
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301 **Licenses**

302 (Dr. Smith is recused.)

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304 **MOTION:** Dr. Nelson made a motion to approve the licenses.

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306 **SECOND:** Dr. Cabrera.

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308 Motion passed unanimously.

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310 **Continuing Education**

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312 **MOTION:** Dr. Powell made a motion to approve the courses.

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314 **SECOND:** Dr. Nelson.

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316 Motion passed unanimously.

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318 **OLD BUSINESS**

319 **None**

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321 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

322 Dewey Maddox was present for the Florida Veterinary Technicians provided a report of
323 their recent activities.

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326 **NEW BUSINESS**

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328 **None**

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331 **PROBATION ROLL CALL**

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333 Mr. McLendon called the probation roll.

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335 The following were present:

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337 Christopher Carrier, DVM

338 Michael Elpert, DVM

339 Mohammed Hassan, DVM

340 Alfredo Lichoa, DVM

341 Kuria Muchemi, DVM

342 Amy Bosecker, DVM

343 Charles Craton, DVM

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345 **ABSENT**

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347 None.

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349 **Next Meeting- September 15, 2023 –**

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351 **ADJOURN**

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353 The meeting adjourned at 1:22 P.M.

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