

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

I. General Information

Meeting Dates: December 6, 2005
Meeting Type: General Business Meeting
Hyatt Regency Orlando International Airport
9300 Airport Boulevard
Orlando, FL 32827
407.825.1234

Members Present: Dr. Robert O'Neil, Dr. Sergio Vega, Dr. Joann Helm, Dr. Katherine Horky, and Ms. Cynthia Lewis

Members Absent: Dr. Kandra Jones and Ms. Susan Love

Other Attendees: Juanita Chastain, Executive Director
Linda Tinsley, Government Analyst
Drew Winters, Prosecuting Attorney
Jeffrey Jones, Assistant Attorney General
Donald Schaefer, Executive Director, Florida Veterinary Medical Association
Other interested parties

II. Major Issues/Actions

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- The board reviewed and approved minutes of the April 15, 2005 and September 1, 2005 board meetings.
- Deputy Secretary Dennis Yecke addressed the board and commented the Secretary's goal is to improve customer service. Mr. Yecke assured the board positive changes would occur and he looked forward to working with them and encouraged board member input.
- The board heard five informal hearings. Three were handled and two were tabled.
- The board heard two motions for waiver of rights and final order. One was handled and one was tabled.
- The board heard and accepted one settlement stipulation.
- The board ratified examination candidates, premise permits and continuing education providers.
- The board discussed the June 30, 2005 financial report.
- The board accepted the probationary appearance of Dr. Joseph Tomes.
- The board reviewed and approved the application of Dr. Lyn Comans.
- The board discussed Rule 61G18-30.001, disciplinary guidelines, to require retaking of the laws and rules examination as part of the discipline imposed by the board.
- The board reviewed correspondence from Dr. Charles Baker and denied his request to have the continuing education courses taken under his pharmacy license count towards the two hour drug dispensing requirement. The board asked Ms. Chastain to write Dr. Baker and inform him of the board's decision.
- The board reviewed the letter from Ms. Susan Love regarding her recent employment with the Department of Health. Ms. Chastain informed the board Ms. Love could continue to serve until replaced. She also indicated Ms. Love would try to attend the next board meeting if her replacement had not been appointed.

- The board agreed that they would not be able to schedule a meeting at the University of Florida since attendance by the veterinary college would not be mandatory.
- The board lifted the licensure suspension of Dr. Jaffe.
- Dr. Helm gave an overview of her attendance at the AAVSB meeting.
- Mr. Schaefer inquired about the limited service inspections and Ms. Chastain stated the inspections were being conducted.
- Mr. Schaefer commented he was frustrated with the rule making process and the fact it has taken so long for rules to become effective. Mr. Jones indicated the rules have been noticed and should be effective by the middle of January.
- Mr. Schaefer informed the board he has learned there is a move to have all statutes sunsetted.
- Mr. Winters' prosecuting attorney report indicated there are 50 cases assigned to legal, 49 cases set for probable cause, 3 cases have administrative complaints filed, 9 cases awaiting outside action, 19 cases formal hearing requested, 26 cases sent for consultant review, 8 cases set for board presentation, 2 cases in settlement negotiations, 2 cases ready for default and 3 cases in which stipulations or request for informal hearing.

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- Mr. Jones noticed rule 61G18-7.001, FAC, for adoption on December 22, 2005.

IV. Action Required

- Final orders to be prepared by Mr. Winters and Mr. Jones.
- Ms. Chastain to write Dr. Baker.
- The following board meetings have been scheduled:
 - March 14, 2006 in Ft. Lauderdale

Juanita Chastain
Executive Director