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MINUTES

**Board of Veterinary Medicine
General Business Meeting**

**Florida Hotel and Conference Center
1500 Sand Lake Road
Orlando, FL 32809**

December 11, 2007

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CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Chastain, Executive Director, called the meeting to order at 8:06 a.m. The meeting was called to order by the Executive Director due to the fact that the board did not have a Chair or a Vice Chair.

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MEMBERS PRESENT

20 Dr. Robert O'Neil
21 Dr. Sergio Vega
22 Dr. Guy Maxwell
23 Dr. Katherine Horky
24 Lisa Hurley
25 Henry Dover

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MEMBERS ABSENT

29 Dr. Kandra Jones (excused)

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OTHERS PRESENT

33 Juanita Chastain, Executive Director
34 Drew Winters, Prosecuting Attorney
35 Jeffrey Jones, Board Counsel
36 Linda Tinsley, Government Analyst
37 American Court Reporting, 407.896.1813
38 Phil Hinkle, FVMA
39 Dr. Stephen Shores
40 Dr. Donald Denoff
41 Dr. Doretha Jones
42 Mike Chesser
43 Hugh Calderwood
44 Dr. Richard Gallo
45 Lois Kostroski

46 Dr. Welch Agnew
47 Scott Trabotski
48 Annette Poirier, CVT
49 Dr. Tina Parker
50 Dr. Michael Parker
51 Dr. Kelly Ann Rada
52 Niki Linn
53 Kim Texter

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55 **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

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57 Ms. Chastain advised the board that the floor would be opened for nominations
58 for Chair.

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60 **MOTION:** Mr. Dover made a motion to nominate Dr. Robert O'Neil for
61 Chairman.

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63 **SECOND:** Dr. Horky seconded the motion.

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65 **MOTION:** Mr. Dover made a motion for nominations to cease.

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67 **SECOND:** Dr. Maxwell seconded the motion and the motion passed
68 unanimously.

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70 Dr. O'Neil advised the board that the floor would be opened for nominations for
71 Vice Chairman.

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73 **MOTION:** Dr. Horky made a motion to nominate Henry Dover for Vice
74 Chairman.

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76 **SECOND:** Dr. Maxwell seconded the motion and the motion passed
77 unanimously.

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79 **APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2007 MEETING MINUTES**

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81 Dr. Vega advised the board that on page eight (8) line three hundred and twenty
82 four (324) of the minutes it states that the motion passed five (5) to One (1) but
83 the minutes did not reflect who opposed. He stated that he opposed. Dr. Vega
84 advised the board that on page eight (8) line three hundred and fifty two (352) it
85 stated that the motion passed four (4) to two (2) but the minutes do not reflect
86 who opposed. He stated that Dr. Horky and Dr. Helm opposed.

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88 **MOTION:** Mr. Dover made a motion to approve the minutes as amended.

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90 **SECOND:** Ms. Hurley seconded the motion and the motion passed
91 unanimously.

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93 **DISCIPLINE**

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95 **Philip J. Aleong, DVM: Case number 2003-093234**

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97 Mr. Winters advised the board that Dr. Aleong had filed an appeal with the
98 Supreme Court of Florida. He stated that Dr. Aleong's attorney, Mr. Beilly, had
99 filed a motion for stay for the hearing for today. He stated that the stay had not
100 been granted and the Department recommended that the board continue the
101 matter to the March 2008 board meeting.

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103 Dr. O'Neil advised the board that he recused himself from the hearing and he
104 asked Mr. Dover to continue the hearing.

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106 **MOTION:** Ms. Hurley made a motion to table the case until the March 2008
107 meeting.

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109 **SECOND:** Dr. Horky seconded the motion and the motion passed
110 unanimously.

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112 **Animal Rescue Need and Intervention: Case number 2006-012119**

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114 Niki Linn and Kim Texter were present at the meeting and they were not
115 represented by counsel. They were sworn in by the court reporter.

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117 Mr. Winters presented the case as an Informal Hearing. Mr. Winters advised the
118 board that the administrative complaint alleges that the Respondent's employees
119 prescribed medication, immunized animals for rabies, and treated pets beyond
120 the scope of licensure for a Limited Service Veterinary practice and without a
121 licensed veterinarian. Mr. Winters requested that the board adopt the findings of
122 fact and conclusions of law as the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the
123 board.

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125 **MOTION:** Dr. Vega made a motion to adopt the findings of fact and
126 conclusions of law as those of the board.

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128 **SECOND:** Mr. Dover seconded the motion and the motion passed
129 unanimously.

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131 After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

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133 **MOTION:** Mr. Dover made a motion to impose six (6) months probation, a
134 reprimand, a five hundred dollar (\$500.00) fine and costs.

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SECOND: Ms. Hurley seconded the motion.

The motion passed five (5) to one (1) Dr. Horky opposed.

Timothy P. Brooks, DVM: Case number 2005-052685

Dr. Brooks was present at the meeting and was represented by counsel, Bryan Reynolds. Dr. Brooks was sworn in by the court reporter.

Mr. Winters presented the case as a Settlement Stipulation. Mr. Winters advised the board that the administrative complaint alleges that the Respondent delegated responsibilities to a person who was not qualified by training, experience, or licensure to perform them. Mr. Winters advised the board that the Department recommended a one thousand dollar (\$1000.00) fine, eight hundred and twenty nine dollars and thirty six cents (\$829.36) in costs, six (6) months probation and a reprimand.

After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Dover made a motion to accept the Settlement Stipulation as presented.

SECOND: Dr. Maxwell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Glenn T. Larkins, DVM: Case number 2005-054901

Dr. Larkins was not present at the meeting and was not represented by counsel.

Mr. Winters presented the case as an Informal Hearing. Mr. Winters advised the board that the administrative complaint alleges that the Respondent failed to administer to the patient insulin twice a day in twelve (12) hour intervals and failed to keep adequate medical records during the treatment of the patient. Mr. Winters requested that the board adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law as the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the board.

MOTION: Mr. Winters advised the board that the Department recommended a fifteen hundred dollar (\$1500.00) fine, four hundred and ninety dollars and seventy cents (\$490.70) in costs, six months probation, and take the laws and rules exam at her own expense.

SECOND: Mr. Dover seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

180 After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

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182 **MOTION:** Dr. Vega made a motion to impose a three thousand five hundred
183 dollar fine (\$3500.00), one thousand and eighty one dollars and
184 twenty five cents (\$1081.25) in costs, two (2) years probation, and
185 four (4) additional hours of continuing education in internal
186 medicine approved in advance by Dr. Vega and he must complete
187 continuing education in six (6) months.

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189 **SECOND:** Mr. Dover seconded the motion and the motion passed
190 unanimately.

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192 **Andrew B. Rappaport, DVM: Case number 2007-023573**

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194 Dr. Rappaport was not present at the meeting and was not represented by
195 counsel.

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197 Mr. Winters presented the case as a Settlement Stipulation. Mr. Winters advised
198 the board that the administrative complaint alleges that the Respondent failed to
199 complete the mandatory continuing education hours as required for renewal of
200 his license and he fraudulently renewed his license by indicating that he had
201 fulfilled the continuing education requirements. Mr. Winters advised the board
202 that Dr. Rappaport would relinquish his Florida license to practice veterinary
203 medicine.

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205 After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

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207 **MOTION:** Dr. Horky made a motion to accept the Settlement Stipulation as
208 presented.

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210 **SECOND:** Dr. Maxwell seconded the motion.

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212 The motion passed five (5) to One (1) Dr. Vega opposed.

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214 Mr. Dover asked that a copy of Dr. Rappaport's order be sent to the state of
215 Connecticut.

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217 **Mary Teresa Schenk, DVM: Case number 2006-035914**

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219 Dr. Schenk was not present at the meeting. Dr. Schenk was represented by
220 counsel, Bryan Reynolds.

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222 Mr. Winters presented the case as a Settlement Stipulation. Mr. Winters advised
223 the board that the administrative complaint alleges that the Respondent failed to
224 inform the owner of the treatment options and alternatives, not using the

225 appropriate treatment, and not responding to the patient's reaction with the
226 appropriate measures. Mr. Winters advised the board that the Department
227 recommended a fifteen hundred dollar (\$1500.00) fine, one thousand fifty three
228 dollars and twenty one cents (\$1053.21) in costs, and one (1) year probation.
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230 After discussion by the board the following motion was made.
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232 **MOTION:** Dr. Horky made a motion to accept the Settlement Stipulation as
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235 **SECOND:** Dr. Vega seconded the motion and the motion passed
236 unanimously.
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238 **Christina Marta Comartin, DVM: Case number 2006-050458**
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240 Dr. Comartin was not present at the meeting and was not represented by
241 counsel.
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243 Mr. Winters presented the case as a motion for Waiver of Rights and Final Order.
244 Mr. Winters advised the board that the administrative complaint alleges that the
245 Respondent failed to keep contemporaneous and individual medical records of
246 the puppies Respondent examined and inspected and she did not retain the
247 veterinarian copy of the OCVI 's issued at the Pet store or maintain any other
248 medical records.
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250 **MOTION:** Mr. Dover made a motion that Dr. Comartin had waived her rights
251 to a hearing.
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253 **SECOND:** Dr. Horky seconded the motion and the motion passed
254 unanimously.
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256 **MOTION:** Mr. Dover made a motion to adopt the findings of fact and
257 conclusions of law as those of the board.
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259 **SECOND:** Ms. Hurley seconded the motion and the motion passed
260 unanimously.
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262 After discussion by the board the following motion was made.
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264 **MOTION:** Mr. Dover made a motion to impose a fifteen hundred dollar
265 (\$1500.00) fine, four hundred and ninety dollars and seventy cents
266 (\$490.70) in costs, six (6) months probation and take and pass the
267 laws and rules exam at her own expense within the next six (6)
268 months.
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270 **SECOND:** Dr. Horky seconded the motion and the motion passed
271 unanimously.

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273 **Donald Denoff, DVM: Case number 2006-068710**

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275 Dr. Denoff was present at the meeting and was represented by counsel, Ed
276 Bayo. Dr. Denoff was sworn in by the court reporter.

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278 Mr. Winters presented the case as an Informal Hearing. Mr. Winters advised the
279 board that the Respondent failed to remit payment of the administrative fine and
280 costs which was required on or before June 26, 2006. Mr. Winters requested
281 that the board adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law as the findings of
282 fact and conclusions of law of the board.

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284 **MOTION:** Ms. Hurley made a motion to adopt the findings of fact and
285 conclusions of law as those of the board.

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287 **SECOND:** Dr. Horky seconded the motion and the motion passed
288 unanimously.

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290 After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

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292 **MOTION:** Dr. Vega made a motion to impose costs of one hundred and ninety
293 one dollars and fifty one cents (\$191.51).

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295 **SECOND:** Ms. Hurley seconded the motion and the motion passed
296 unanimously.

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298 **Andrew Michael Newman, DVM: Case number 2006-062006**

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300 Dr. Newman was not present at the meeting and was not represented by
301 counsel.

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303 Mr. Winters presented the case as a Motion for Waiver of Rights and Final Order.
304 Mr. Winters advised the board that the administrative complaint alleges that the
305 Respondent failed to provide surgical techniques and post-operative treatment to
306 the patient and failed to keep adequate medical records. Mr. Winters advised the
307 board that the Respondent had failed to respond and had not disputed the
308 material facts.

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310 **MOTION:** Dr. Maxwell made a motion that Dr. Comartin had waived his rights
311 to a hearing.

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313 **SECOND:** Mr. Dover seconded the motion and the motion passed
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Mr. Winters requested that the board adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law as the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the board.

MOTION: Dr. Vega made a motion to adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law as those of the board.

SECOND: Mr. Dover seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

MOTION: Dr. Vega made a motion to impose a thirty five hundred dollar fine (\$3500.00) fine, one thousand one hundred and fifty five dollars and seventy seven cents (\$1155.77) in costs, two (2) years probation, and four (4) hours of continuing education in surgery which must be pre-approved by Dr. Vega.

SECOND: Mr. Dover seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Hugh Calderwood, DVM: Case number 2006-042107

Dr. Calderwood was present at the meeting and represented by counsel, Ed Bayo. Dr. Calderwood was sworn in by the court reporter.

Mr. Winters presented the case as a Settlement Stipulation. Mr. Winters advised the board that the administrative complaint alleges that the Respondent failed to perform the appropriate diagnostic workup and treatment to the patient and the Respondent failed to keep adequate medical records during the treatment of the patient. Mr. Winters advised the board that the Department recommended a one thousand dollar (\$1000.00) fine, one thousand one hundred and sixty four dollars and forty one cents (\$1164.41) in costs and six (6) months probation.

After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

MOTION: Dr. Vega made a motion to accept the Settlement Stipulation as presented.

SECOND: Mr. Dover seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Alejandro A. Diaz, DVM: Case number 2004-020890

Dr. Diaz was not present at the meeting and was not represented by counsel.

360 Mr. Winters presented the case as a Settlement Stipulation. Mr. Winters advised
361 the board that the Respondent was required to make an appearance as one of
362 the requirements of the Settlement Stipulation.

363 After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

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365 **MOTION:** Ms. Hurley made a motion to reject the Settlement Stipulation due
366 to no appearance by the Respondent and the case will be sent to
367 the Division of Administrative Hearings.

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369 **SECOND:** Dr. Vega seconded the motion and the motion passed
370 unanimously.

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372 **Richard Gallo, DVM: Case number 2005-042914**

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374 Dr. Gallo was present at the meeting and was represented by counsel,
375 Christopher M. Galeta. Dr. Gallo was sworn in by the court reporter.

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377 Mr. Winters presented the case as a Settlement Stipulation. Mr. Winters advised
378 the board that the administrative complaint alleges that the Respondent failed to
379 treat the patients upper canine tooth within the appropriate standard of care,
380 failed to keep adequate medical records and failed to maintain an accurate
381 controlled substance log. Mr. Winters advised the board that the Department
382 recommended a one thousand dollar (\$1000.00) fine, one thousand four hundred
383 and seventy seven dollars and thirty three dollars (\$1477.33) in costs, one (1)
384 year probation, and three (3) hours of continuing education in small animal
385 surgery.

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387 After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

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389 **MOTION:** Dr. Vega made a motion to accept the Settlement Stipulation as
390 presented.

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392 **SECOND:** Dr. Horky seconded the motion.

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394 The motion passed four (4) to two (2) Dr. O'Neil and Mr. Dover opposed.

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396 **Doretha Jones, DVM: Case number 2006-020430**

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398 Mr. Winters advised the board that the case had been pulled from the agenda.

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400 **Gary Clark Pait, DVM: Case number 2006-050388**

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402 Dr. Pait was not present at the meeting and was not represented by counsel.

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404 Mr. Winters presented the case as a Settlement Stipulation. Mr. Winters advised
405 the board that the administrative complaint alleges that the Respondent failed to
406 keep contemporaneous and individual medical records of the puppies he
407 inspected when he did not retain the veterinarians copy of the OCVI. Mr. Winters
408 advised the board that the Department recommended a seven hundred and fifty
409 dollar (\$750.00) fine, two hundred and fifty nine dollars and forty cents (\$259.40)
410 in costs, and three (3) hours of continuing education in record keeping.

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412 After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

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414 **MOTION:** Mr. Dover made a motion to accept the Settlement Stipulation as
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417 **SECOND:** Dr. Vega seconded the motion and the motion passed
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420 **Ross Michael Valdez, DVM: Case number 2005-040819**

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422 Dr. Valdez was present at the meeting and was represented by counsel, Bryan
423 Reynolds. Dr. Valdez was sworn in by the court reporter.

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425 Mr. Winters presented the case as a Settlement Stipulation. Mr. Winters advised
426 the board that the administrative complaint alleges that the Respondent failed to
427 practice medicine with that level of care, skill, and treatment which is recognized
428 by a reasonably prudent veterinarian as being acceptable under similar
429 conditions and failed to include physical examinations in the medical records
430 during the treatment of the patient. Mr. Winters advised the board that the
431 Department recommended a fifteen hundred dollar (\$1500.00) fine, one
432 thousand one hundred and thirty eight dollars and sixty one cents (\$1138.61) in
433 costs, and one (1) year probation.

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435 After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

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437 **MOTION:** Mr. Dover made a motion to accept the Settlement Stipulation as
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440 **SECOND:** Dr. Horky seconded the motion and the motion passed
441 unanimously.

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443 **Stephan W. Zuercher, DVM: Case number 2005-005356**

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445 The case was continued until the March 2008 meeting.

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449 **RATIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS**

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451 **Continuing Education**

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453 **MOTION:** Dr. Vega made a motion to approve the following continuing
454 education applications.

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456 **SECOND:** Mr. Dover seconded the motion and the motion passed
457 unanimately.

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459 Alachua Veterinary Medical Association – *Feline Lower Urinary Tract Disease –*
460 *1.5 hours*

461 *Innovative Parasite Control for Dogs and Cats – 1 hour*

462 Mobile Veterinary Medical Association – *Canine and Feline Vaccination in 2007:*
463 *Progressive Practices for Practices – 2 hours*

464 Affiliated Veterinary Specialists – Orange Park – *Tibial Tuberosity – 2.5 hours*

465 *Pubic Urethrostomy – 2 hours*

466 Florida Department of Health/Epidemiologist – *Florida Zoonosis Summit – 7.5*
467 *hours*

468 Pfizer, Inc (AHG) – *Current Concepts in Diagnostic Imaging – 11 hours*

469 Banfield the Pet Hospital – *Law affecting Drug Use by Veterinarians – 2 hours*

470 Merial – *Feline Vaccination in 2007 – 1 hour*

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472 **Licensure/Exam Candidates**

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474 **MOTION:** Ms. Hurley made a motion to approve the following exam/licensure
475 candidates.

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477 **SECOND:** Dr. Vega seconded the motion and the motion passed
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480 **Senior Graduates**

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482 Allison L. Butt, Adam C. Eichelberger, William R. Gregory, Kerston B. Johnson,

483 Beatriz Perez, Vienna Y. Slava, Elizabeth A. Williams, Amy E. Wilson

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485 **AVMA Graduates**

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487 Sarah J. Gold, Visarion C. Muresan

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489 **Foreign Graduates with ECFVG**

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491 Hasan Abasan, Ada M. Fernandez, Devendra Godara, Gerson A. Herrera,

492 Radha Konda, Myri-Ann N. Melendez, Jamie Mc Anly, Aaron L. Thivierge

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494 **Endorsement**

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496 Caroline Bevins-Taylor, Margaret Ann Federhart-Myers, Mary Ann Hollick, Janis
497 P. Howard, Jean Stuart Hovis, Mark R. Klinefelter, Megan Michele Lamon,
498 Duane Scott Reed, Lyle K. Schulthesis, Kathy K. Seino, William M. Watson,
499 Warren W. White

500 **PROBATION APPEARANCE**

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502 **Michael Parker, DVM and Tina Parker, DVM**

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504 Dr. Michael and Tina Parker were present at the meeting and they were not
505 represented by counsel. They were sworn in by the court reporter.

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507 Dr. O'Neil advised the board that Dr. Michael and Tina Parker had not sent in
508 their biannual reports by certified mail and they had not paid the one thousand
509 dollars in costs as required in the Final Order.

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511 Ms. Hurley asked what the board's options were.

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513 Mr. Winters stated that he would take the appropriate action.

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515 After discussion by the board the following motion was made.

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517 **MOTION:** Mr. Dover made a motion to accept Dr. Michael Parker and Dr. Tina
518 Parkers probation appearance.

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520 **SECOND:** Ms. Hurley seconded the motion and the motion passed
521 unanimously.

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523 **DISCUSSION**

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525 **Proposed Rule 61G18-15.0011- Duties of the Responsible Veterinarian**

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527 Mr. Bayo advised the board that on behalf of the FVMA he had been involved in
528 discussions with the Drugs, Devices and Cosmetics Program at the Department
529 of Health regarding the definition of the term authorized recipient for the purpose
530 of whole sale drug distribution. He stated that the Department of Health
531 proposed a rule amendment defining an authorized recipient which would make a
532 premise permit not an authorized recipient. Mr. Bayo advised the board that if
533 the Department of Health's proposed rule is implemented the situation would be
534 that every veterinarian in the practice would have to order and keep track of their
535 own drugs. Mr. Bayo advised the board that he had drafted rule language
536 outlining the duties of the responsible veterinarian. Mr. Bayo asked the board to
537 approve the language and initiate the rule making process.

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539 After discussion by the board the following motion was made.
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541 **MOTION:** Ms. Hurley made a motion to approve language for Rule 61G18-
542 15.0011, F.A.C. Duties of the Responsible Veterinarian Regarding
543 Prescription Drugs, and the rule making process would be initiated
544 by Chair and Board Counsel as soon as negotiations with the
545 Department of Health conclude that the rule language would
546 suffice.

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548 **SECOND:** Dr. Vega seconded the motion and the motion passed
549 unanimously.
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551 **Premises Permit Self Inspection** 552

553 Ms. Chastain advised the board that the biennial self inspection audit is a work
554 load issue that does not accomplish a lot. She stated that she had talked to the
555 Division of Regulation and asked if they could do a site inspection every two (2)
556 years. Ms. Chastain advised the board that in their materials folder there was a
557 memo from the Division of Regulation outlining the inspection program. Ms.
558 Chastain advised the board that the board would repeal the rule provision for the
559 self inspection. She stated that if the board agreed the Department could begin
560 the inspection program in July and all clinics would be inspected every two (2)
561 years. She stated that the random 1% of premises inspections would stay in
562 place. Ms. Chastain advised the board that the sixty dollar (\$60.00) inspection
563 fee would remain the same.
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565 Mr. Winters advised the board that the self inspection form serves very little
566 purpose. He stated that if a violation is found during the routine five (5) year
567 inspection and they have answered yes on the self inspection sheet the only
568 violation would be fraud. He stated that fraud requires an intent and the self
569 inspection form does not justify the ability to establish an intent. Mr. Winters
570 stated that the self inspection audit is a work load issue that generates a lot of
571 paper work that had little or no benefit. He stated that the Department had seen
572 an increase in the number of drug log and other establishment problems in the
573 last few years. He stated that there were a number of responsible veterinarian
574 issues. He stated that the responsible veterinarians are not notifying the
575 Department within sixty days and problems finding out who the responsible
576 veterinarian is. Mr. Winters stated that the Department is finding these issues
577 through on site inspections and they are only found every five (5) years. He
578 stated that the ability to inspect every two (2) years is not going to over task our
579 investigative staff and it is a good use of our facilities at the Department. Mr.
580 Winters advised the board that he is in support of the two (2) year change in
581 inspections and the Department from a prosecutorial standpoint does support the
582 movement.
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584 Dr. O'Neil stated that he had spoken to the inspectors in the past and advised the
585 inspectors that the board was not out to punish the veterinarians the board but
586 out for compliance. He stated that the inspectors agreed that if there was a
587 minor violation they would encourage compliance.
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589 Dr. Shores advised the board that the practicing veterinarians should have some
590 notice of this and some opportunity to have a discussion with the board before it
591 is implemented. Dr. Shores asked the board if they start rule making today what
592 is the rule making process and what time if any do the practicing veterinarians
593 have the opportunity to discuss with the board.
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595 Mr. Jones advised Dr. Shores that the first step is to notice that a change will be
596 made to a particular section to the rule. He stated that the process probably will
597 go beyond the next board meeting.
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599 Dr. Maxwell advised the board that a letter could be sent to the establishments to
600 make them aware of the change that will take place.
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602 Ms. Chastain stated that she would be happy to send a letter showing the
603 change in the rule and information on the implementation date.
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605 Dr. Vega advised the board that he felt the only way that the board could ensure
606 clinics are in compliance is by an on site inspection.
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608 After discussion by the board the following motion was made.
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610 **MOTION:** Ms. Hurley made a motion to direct board counsel to start the rule
611 making process for Rule 61G18-15.005 relating to inspections of
612 facilities to change self inspections to onsite inspections.
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614 **SECOND:** Mr. Dover seconded the motion and the motion passed
615 unanimously.
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617 **REPORTS**

618 **Executive Director – Juanita Chastain**

619 Ms. Chastain advised the board that she was in the process of preparing a
620 newsletter. She stated that if there was something the board wanted in the
621 newsletter to let her know. She advised the board that the financial report was in
622 their folders and financially the board was doing fine. Ms. Chastain advised the
623 board that she wanted to present to Dr. O'Neil a plaque for his previous service
624 on the board.
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629 **Board Counsel – Jeffrey Jones**

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631 Mr. Jones reviewed his report with the board.

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633 **Prosecuting Attorney – Drew Winters**

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635 Mr. Winters reviewed his report with the board.

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637 Dr. O'Neil thanked the board for putting their trust in him again as chairman. He
638 stated he valued their judgment and input and it was an honor to be chairman of
639 the board.

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641 **NEW BUSINESS**

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643 Dr. O'Neil advised the board that he wanted to start sending the final orders to
644 the additional states that the licensee is licensed in.

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646 Mr. Winters and Ms. Chastain stated that they would work together to get the
647 orders sent to the additional states.

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649 **MOTION:** Dr. Vega made a motion to adjourn.

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651 **SECOND:** Ms. Hurley seconded the motion and the motion passed
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654 The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

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