

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**  
**BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE**

**I. General Information**

Meeting Dates: September 9, 2008  
Meeting Type: General Business Meeting  
Casa Monica Hotel  
St. Augustine, FL 32084  
904.827.1888

Members Present: Dr. Robert O'Neil, Chair, Mr. Henry Dover, Vice-Chair,  
Dr. Guy Maxwell, Dr. Sergio Vega, Dr. JoAnn Helm, and  
Dr. George Simmons

Members Absent: Ms. Lisa Hurley (excused)

Other Attendees: Juanita Chastain, Executive Director  
Linda Tinsley, Government Analyst  
Elizabeth Duffy, Prosecuting Attorney  
Deborah Loucks, Assistant Attorney General  
Charles W. Drago, Secretary  
Joe Helton, General Counsel for Pari-Mutuel Wagering  
Other interested parties

**II. Major Issues/Actions**

- Dr. O'Neil welcomed Secretary Drago to the meeting. Secretary Drago informed the board that he was holding statewide meetings for individuals to talk with him about department issues. He thanked the board members for their service and offered his assistance if needed.
- The board reviewed and approved minutes of the June 3, 2008 board meeting.
- The board reviewed and approved the reinstatement of a null and void license.
- The board ratified continuing education and licensure/examination applicants.
- Ms. Loucks informed the board that she filed notice with the Florida Administrative Weekly of the rule language on Rule 61G18-15.005, FAC, periodic inspections, to eliminate the biennial self inspection and require biennial department inspections.
- Mr. Dover informed the board that he, Ms. Chastain, Ms. Duffy, and Ms. Loucks reviewed Rule 61G18-30, FAC, discipline, and developed penalty guidelines. Ms. Chastain stated the department would prepare a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) and would present at the December meeting for the board's review.
- The board accepted the probationary appearances of Dr. Mario Arteaga, Dr. Michael Parker, Dr. Tina Parker, Dr. Marcus Kramer and Dr. Donald Swerida.
- Ms. Chastain reviewed Secretary Drago's June 2, 2008 letter to Chairman O'Neil regarding the 2008-09 General Appropriations Act.
- Dr. O'Neil informed the board that he met with Governor Crist and that the Governor was very appreciative of the board's hard work.
- Dr. O'Neil thanked Mr. Helton for attending the meeting.

**III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation**

- Develop SERC for Rule 61G18-30, FAC, discipline.

**IV. Action Required**

- Final orders to be prepared by Ms. Loucks and Ms. Duffy.
- The following board meeting has been scheduled:  
December 9, 2008, Fernandina Beach

Juanita Chastain  
Executive Director