

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
BOARD MEETING
February 7, 2008**

Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER –

Board President, Dr. Mica F. Landry, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL –

Roll call was taken by Board Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. John C. Prejean, with the following results:

Those present:

Mica F. Landry, DVM	Board President
William H. Green, DVM	Board Vice President
John C. Prejean, DVM	Board Secretary-Treasurer
Patrick Bernard, DVM	Board Member
Michael Tomino, Jr.	Board General Counsel
Wendy D. Parrish	Board Administrative Director

Guests:

None.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Board Meeting December 6, 2007

The Board reviewed the minutes from the December 6, 2007 Board meeting. Motion was made by Dr. Bernard to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Dr. Prejean, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. Special Board Meeting January 17, 2008

The Board reviewed the minutes from the January 17, 2008 Special Board meeting. Motion was made by Dr. Bernard to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Dr. Prejean, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

IV. FINANCIAL MATTERS AND CONTRACTS

A. Financial Reports – November and December 2007

Ms. Parrish and Secretary-Treasurer Dr. Prejean presented the financial reports for the months of November and December 2007 for review. Following discussion, motion was made by Dr. Green to approve the financial reports as presented, seconded by Dr. Bernard, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

A. Case 05-1215D and Case 05-1523V – (11:00 a.m.) Request for Full Reinstatement of Veterinary License - The respondent in the case was introduced to the Board and presented pertinent documentation regarding request for veterinary license full reinstatement. David Elston, DVM, appeared before the Board in support of the respondent.

Upon conclusion of the presentation by the respondent and his response to the questions from the Board, the respondent was informed that the Board would take the request under advisement and respond to him in writing. Respondent exited the meeting.

Motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Prejean, to allow, by agreement, the respondent to practice, without access to certain controlled substances, namely Hydrocodone, Alprazolam, Diazepam, Phenobarbital and Carisoprodol, and unless dictated otherwise, the terms, limits and conditions as set forth in the Board's earlier decision and agreements remain in effect and unchanged. Motion passed by majority vote, with Dr. Landry voting nay.

VI. POLICY, PROCEDURE, AND RULES

A. Policy and Procedure –

1. None presented.

B. Practice Act and Rules/Related Matters/Declaratory Statements

1. CE Requirements (B Mayer, DVM, AAVA) – Following review of Dr. Mayer's query regarding the current requirement for 20 CE credits per year, motion was made by Dr. Bernard to accept the proposed response to the query which is consistent with the Board's decision and legal authority, seconded by Dr. Prejean. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

2. Microchips and Shelter Animals (J Poynter, DVM) – Following review of Dr. Poynter's query regarding microchipping of adopted animals, motion was made by Dr. Bernard to instruct Mr. Tomino to respond based on consistency with prior Board decisions on shelter animals and animals owned by the public, to be approved by a Board member, seconded by Dr. Prejean. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

3. Heartworm Dispensing and VCPR (B Berryhill, DVM) – Following review of Dr. Berryhill's query regarding dispensing of heartworm prescriptions and veterinarian-client-patient relationship, motion was made by Dr. Bernard for Mr. Tomino to prepare a response consistent with the Board's discussion and decisions, to be approved by a Board member, seconded by Dr. Green. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

4. Rabies Vaccination and Disciplinary Case (B Berryhill, DVM) – Following review of Dr. Berryhill's query regarding rabies vaccinations and recent disciplinary actions cited, motion was made by Dr. Bernard for Mr. Tomino to prepare a response consistent with the Board's discussion and decisions, to be approved by a Board member, seconded by Dr. Prejean. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

5. Nuisance Wildlife Control Operators (H Renfro, Beaver Solutions Wildlife & Land Management) – Following review of Mr. Renfro's query regarding animal euthanasia courses for nuisance wildlife control operators, motion was made by Dr. Bernard to invite representatives from Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and Mr. Renfro to a future Board meeting for further clarification and discussion, seconded by Dr. Prejean. Mr. Tomino was directed to contact LDWF representatives and Mr. Renfro for presentation at the meeting. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

6. Prescriptions – Electronic/Faxed/Written/Oral (M Selmer, DVM) – Following review of Dr. Selmer's query regarding prescription medications for clients in Louisiana, motion was made by Dr. Bernard for Mr. Tomino to prepare a proposed response to the query which is consistent with the Board's decision and legal authority, to be approved by a Board member, seconded by Dr. Prejean. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

7. Telemedicine (R Lydon, DVM) – Following review of Dr. Lydon's query regarding telemedicine and video oversight of animal teeth cleaning, motion was made by Dr. Bernard for Mr. Tomino to prepare a proposed response to the query which is consistent with the Board's decision and legal authority, to be approved by a Board member, seconded by Dr. Prejean. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

8. Dispensing of Controlled Substances (G Calahan, DVM) – Following review of Dr. Calahan's query regarding maximum limits of dispensing of controlled substances for patient care,

motion was made by Dr. Bernard for Mr. Tomino to prepare a proposed response to the query which is consistent with the Board's decision and legal authority, to be approved by a Board member, seconded by Dr. Prejean. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

C. Rule Making

1. Rule 714 – Student/Shelters and Faculty Veterinarian – The Board considered proposed language revisions to Rule 714 consistent with its October 9, 2007 letter and decision regarding the LSU Student/Shelter program. Motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Prejean, to adopt the Emergency Rule discussed effective February 14, 2008 and to direct Mr. Tomino and Ms. Parrish to proceed with emergency rule procedures regarding Rule 714, Veterinary Practice, Student/Shelters and Faculty Veterinarian, as well as begin regular rulemaking procedures. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

VII. DVM ISSUES

A. Georgia S. Barnette, DVM – Request for Waiver of Renewal Fees and Late Fees – Following review of request and documentation submitted by Dr. Barnette regarding license expiration of five years, and in consideration of her particular circumstances, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Green, to deny waiver of the renewal fees and late renewal fees. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

VIII. DVM APPLICANT ISSUES

A. Lauren Kelso Canady, DVM – Request for Waiver of Retake of National Examination and Preceptorship Requirement – 1997 graduate of Cornell University, licensed in New York, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont. Following review of the documentation submitted by Dr. Canady, motion was made by Dr. Green, seconded by Dr. Prejean to waive the retaking of the national examination and the preceptorship requirement as her employment sufficiently meets 5 years of full-time veterinary practice preceding application with the Board. Motion passed by unanimously by voice vote.

IX. PRECEPTORSHIP ISSUES

A. Tulane National Primate Research Center – Request for Consideration as Full Preceptorship Facility – Consideration was given to documentation provided. Motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Green, to approve Tulane National Primate Research Center as a **Full** preceptorship facility. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

X. CONTINUING EDUCATION ISSUES

A. DVM CE – Small Animal Acupuncture/The Chi Institute (R McKowen, DVM) - Request for consideration of credit hours of DVM CE for participation in Small Animal Acupuncture program. Following review of the request and program outline, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Prejean, to allow a maximum of 20 credit hours of DVM CE for actual attendance by the DVM. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. DVM CE – CDC's 10th International Symposium on Biosafety – Protecting Workers in Clinical Laboratories, Research, Animal Care and Public Health Communities (B Robert, DVM) - Request for consideration of DVM CE credit hours for participation in the CDC's symposium. Following review of the request and program outline, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Prejean, to allow a maximum of 20 credit hours of CE for actual attendance by DVMs. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

C. DVM CE – National Incident Management Systems-Incident Command System (NIMS-ICS/FEMA Courses (D Stacy, DVM) - Request for consideration of DVM CE credit hours for participation in the NIMS-ICS/FEMA programs. Following review of the request and program outlines, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Prejean, to allow a maximum of 1 credit hour of CE

for online programs and 4 credit hours of CE for DVMs for Intermediate and Advanced courses taught on site. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

D. DVM CE – Hill Farm Research Station Field Day Program (W Owens, DVM) - Request for consideration of credit hours of DVM CE for participation in the field day program. Following review of the request and program outline, motion was made by Dr. Green, seconded by Dr. Prejean, to allow 4 credit hours of DVM CE for participation. Motion passed by majority vote, with Dr. Bernard voting nay.

E. DVM CE – National Association of State Departments of Agriculture Meeting, Washington DC (B Robbins, DVM) - Request for consideration of credit hours of DVM CE for participation in the NASDA meeting. Following review of the request and program outline, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Prejean, to allow up to 20 credit hours of DVM CE for participation. Motion passed by majority vote, with Dr. Landry voting nay.

XI. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

A. New Licenses and Certificates Issued:

Wall certificates were presented for signature for the following licenses/certificates issued since the previous Board meeting:

DVM

2748	Catherine Paine Foret
2749	Tara Gene Ooms
2750	Ryan Michael Hebert

RVT

8150	Walter James Bertram, Jr.
8151	Brittany Leann Brumfield

CAET

T0801	Sandra Lynn Trhan
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XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Dr. Bernard to go into executive session to discuss issues and receive legal advice regarding potential contested matters and personnel matters, seconded by Dr. Prejean, and passed unanimously by voice vote. Upon conclusion of discussion of the issues, motion was made to return to regular session by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Prejean, and approved unanimously by voice vote.

A. Preceptee Assessment Form Change Request – Following summary of request by LSU-SVM to alter standard Board Preceptee Assessment form and collection of additional data, both not pertinent to Board application requirements, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Prejean to maintain status quo of information collected and shared with LSU-SVM regarding preceptee assessments. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

XIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Board, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Prejean, and passed unanimously by voice vote to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

MINUTES REIVEWED AND APPROVED BY FULL BOARD on April 3, 2008.