

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

Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER -

Board President, Dr. William H. Green, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL -

Roll call was taken by Board Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Steven V. Slaton, with the following results:

Those present:

William H. Green, DVM	Board President
Steven V. Slaton, DVM	Board Secretary-Treasurer
Patrick Bernard, DVM	Board Member
Mica F. Landry, DVM	Board Member
Michael Tomino, Jr.	Board General Counsel
Wendy D. Parrish	Board Administrative Director

Absent:

John C. Prejean, DVM	Board Vice President
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Guests:

(10:00am) LSU-SVM - Peter Haynes, DVM, David Senior, DVM, Joseph Tabaoda, DVM
(1:00pm) Robinson's Rescue - Andrea Master, DVM, Candy Peavy, Cinta Davis

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Board Meeting June 5, 2008

The Board reviewed the minutes from the June 5, 2008 Board meeting. Motion was made by Dr. Bernard to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Dr. Landry, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

IV. FINANCIAL MATTERS AND CONTRACTS

A. Financial Reports - May and June 2008

Ms. Parrish and Secretary-Treasurer Dr. Slaton presented the financial reports for the months of May and June 2008 for review. Budgeted overages and shortages were compared, in particular, computer hardware/software, furnishings, salaries, and legal services. Following discussion, motion was made by Dr. Bernard to approve the financial reports as presented, seconded by Dr. Landry, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. Contract Renewal FY2009 - Investigations Unlimited - Ms. Parrish presented the proposed contract with Corporate Security Consultants d/b/a Investigations Unlimited for investigation services for review. No changes were noted from the previous fiscal year contract with a ceiling of \$5,000.00 per year. Motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Slaton to approve renewal of the contract. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

C. The Board was briefed as to new legislation regarding financial disclosure requirements for Board members and appointees. No action was taken on this item.

V. REQUEST FOR APPEARANCE

A. LSU-School of Veterinary Medicine Accreditation/Outcome Assessment (11:00 a.m.) – Drs. Haynes, Senior and Tabaoda were introduced to the Board members, legal counsel and Ms. Parrish. Dr. Haynes presented information regarding current Limited Accreditation status of LSU-SVM and possible remedies to return to Full Accreditation status. Board members queried the representatives from LSU-SVM regarding the specifics required by American Veterinary Medication Association Council on Education of the deficit in outcome assessment of LSU-SVM students. It was requested by LSU-SVM that the Board revise its Preceptor Evaluation of Student Participation form utilized by the Board in fulfilling the licensing Preceptorship requirement of an applicant, to fulfill the needs of the school to meet substantial compliance with AVMA.

Following discussion, the Board informed the attendees that it would take the request under consideration, possibly assisting LSU-SVM while keeping with its objective of continued discharge of its function, and would reply in writing of its decision. The representatives from LSU-SVM left the meeting.

A. Robinson's Rescue (1:00 p.m.) – Candace Peavy, Andrea Master, DVM and Clint Davis, representatives from Robinson's Rescue Low-Cost Spay-Neuter Clinic, were introduced to the Board members, legal counsel and Ms. Parrish. Guests shared information as to the proposed free standing spay-neuter program, facilities and organization of Robinson's Rescue in Caddo Parish. Questions and discussion were entertained. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the guests were advised that a written communication would be forthcoming in the near future. Ms. Peavy, Dr. Master and Ms. Davis left the meeting.

Motion was made by Dr. Bernard for Mr. Tomino to confirm the Board's understanding of the proposed spay-neuter program, facilities and organization of Robinson's Rescue whereby the attending veterinarian licensed by the Board is responsible for the decision making issues regarding the practice of veterinary medicine and the actual care (spay-neuter) of the animal including aftercare, or the arrangement for other Louisiana licensed veterinarians to provide aftercare or emergency services, seconded by Dr. Slaton. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

A. Case 03-0205D - Request for Reinstatement/Licensure (11:00 a.m.) - Proceeding reset for the October 2, 2008 Board meeting as per respondent's request. No action taken on this item.

VII. POLICY, PROCEDURE, AND RULES

A. Policy and Procedure - None at this time.

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

1. Heifer Herd Spay (P Hoyt, DVM, LSU-SVM) – Mr. Tomino presented a query from Dr. Hoyt of LSU-SVM regarding the spaying of a heifer herd by an Arkansas licensed veterinarian. Following review of the information, motion was made by Dr. Bernard for Mr. Tomino to prepare a response to Dr. Hoyt's scenario that surgeries must be performed by a

Louisiana licensed veterinarian, based on current statutes and rules, to be approved by a Board member, seconded by Dr. Slaton. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

2. Interpretation of Blood Test for Bovine Pregnancy (S Maguffee) – Mr. Tomino presented a query from Ms. S Maguffee regarding interpretation of a test to determine bovine pregnancy through blood withdrawal and analysis. Discussion was held. Motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Slaton, for Mr. Tomino to prepare a response to Ms. Maguffee that the entire procedure must be performed by a Louisiana licensed veterinarian based on current statutes and rules, to be approved by a Board member. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

3. House Call Practice (T Pierce, DVM) – Dr. Pierce submitted a query regarding a small animal house call practice. Motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Slaton, to place the matter under consideration by the Board and for Mr. Tomino notify Dr. Pierce of the status. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

4. Paperless Computer System Medical Records (T Marullo, DVM, J Durocher, DVM) – Tricia Marullo, DVM and Jonathon Durocher, DVM each submitted a query regarding a paperless computer system for medical records. Motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Slaton, to respond to the query that per Rule 701A.1, the medical record is required to be “written, or computer generated,...” which does allow a veterinarian to maintain a computer based record. However, it is the veterinarian’s obligation to be able to provide a hard (written) copy of the record to the owner, a subsequent attending veterinarian, and/or the Board (or its representative) upon proper request, and that the Board strongly suggests the maintenance of original signed consent forms, as well as diagnostic test results, which may be required if the validity of such items are brought under review. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

C. Rule Making – None at this time.

VIII. DVM ISSUES

A. Douglas Gast, DVM – Request for Status Change - Following review of request and documentation submitted by Dr. Gast, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Slaton, to approve status of **Inactive Retired**. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. Michael P. Gibbs, DVM – Request for Status Change - Following review of request and documentation submitted by Dr. Gibbs, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Slaton, to approve status of **Inactive Retired**. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

C. William H. Buller, DVM – Request for Status Change - Following review of request and documentation submitted by Dr. Buller, motion was made by Dr. Slaton, seconded by Dr. Bernard, to approve status of **Inactive Retired**. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

D. H.W. LeBourgeois, DVM – Request for Status Change – Ms. Parrish advised that Dr. LeBourgeois withdrew his request for status change. No action taken on this item.

E. Ashley Buffington, DVM – Request for Extension to Obtain CE Credits - Following review of request and documentation submitted by Dr. Buffington, and in consideration of the circumstances, motion was made by Dr. Landry, seconded by Dr. Slaton, to approve extension

of time to obtain CE credit hours for renewal year 2008-2009 to January 1, 2009. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

IX. DVM APPLICANT ISSUES

A. Ashlei Baker Bauer, DVM - Request for Waiver of Preceptorship Requirement - 2007 graduate of Mississippi State University, with no history of licensure in another state. Following review of the documentation submitted by Dr. Bauer, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Landry to deny waiver of the preceptorship requirement as she does not meet the criteria for waiver due to no licensure in another state. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. Lois Michele Wilkinson, DVM - Request for Waiver of Retake of National Examination - 1996 graduate of Mississippi State University, licensed in Mississippi, North Carolina and Texas. Following review of the documentation submitted by Dr. Wilkinson, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Landry to waive the retaking of the national examination as employment sufficiently meets 5 years of full-time veterinary practice preceding application with the Board. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

X. CONTINUING EDUCATION ISSUES

A. DVM CE - Animal Care & Use Committee 101 & 201 (IACUC) (M Cornett, DVM) - Request for consideration of credit hours of DVM CE for participation in Institutional Animal Care & Use Committee 101 & 201, by Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare at University of Tennessee. Following review of the request and program outline and presenters, motion was made by Dr. Landry seconded by Dr. Bernard, to allow a maximum of 16 credit hours of DVM CE for actual attendance by the DVM. Motion passed by majority vote, with Dr. Green voting nay.

B. DVM CE - Pfizer Pharmaceuticals "Learning and Development" Job Training (M Cornett, DVM) - Request for consideration of credit hours of DVM CE for learning and development training by pharmaceutical employer. Following review of the request, motion was made by Dr. Landry seconded by Dr. Bernard, to deny the request. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

C. CAET CE - LA SPCA/Pet First Aid & CPR (L Lambert/LA SPCA) - Request for consideration of CAET CE credit hours for participation in the LA SPCA Special Projects Training by American Safety & Health Institute's Pet First Aid & CPR. Following review of the request and program outline, motion was made by Dr. Slaton, seconded by Dr. Bernard, to allow 6 credit hours of CE for attendance by CAETs. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

D. CAET CE - LA SPCA/Snake Handling 101 (L Lambert/LA SPCA) - Request for consideration of CAET CE credit hours for participation in the LA SPCA Special Projects Training by Exotic Pet Owners Association, Inc. of LA's Snake Handling 101. Following review of the request and program outline, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Slaton, to allow 2 credit hours of CE for attendance by CAETs. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

E. CAET CE – Animal Cruelty Investigations/HSUS (H Carruth, CAET) - Request for consideration of CAET CE credit hours for participation in Animal Cruelty Investigations/HSUS workshop. Following review of the request and program outline, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Slaton, to allow 6 credit hours of CE for attendance by CAETs. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

F. CAET CE – CAET Seminar/Anesthesia/Handling & Capture/Restraint/Euthanasia Drug Usage (C Cooper, DVM, Caddo Parish Animal Control) - Request for consideration of CAET CE credit hours for training presentations by Dr. Cooper. Following review of the request, motion was made by Bernard, seconded by Dr. Landry, to allow 6 credit hours of CE for participation in the courses. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

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

2778	Wendy Oubre Day
2779	Jennifer Marie Sandoz
2780	Beth Paugh Partington
2781	Elizabeth Claire Dickinson
2782	Lauren Kay Esposito
2783	Jamie Lynn Charlie
2784	Carley Amber Saelinger
2785	Andrea Mae Andersen
2786	Charlotte A. Milazzo
2787	Casi Elizabeth Boudreaux
2788	Matthew Robert Roper
2789	Laura Catherine Ward
2790	Gabriel Aran VanBrunt
2791	Lane Rebecca Holland

B. August 2008 Newsletter Draft - Ms. Parrish presented a draft of the August 2008 newsletter for review. Motion was made by Dr. Slaton, seconded by Dr. Bernard, to approve the newsletter for publication as presented. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote

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. Slaton, 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. Landry, and approved unanimously by voice vote.

A. LSU-SVM Accreditation/Outcome Assessment – Motion was made by Dr. Slaton, seconded by Dr. Bernard, for the Board to review its Preceptor Evaluation of Student Participation form, and entertain suggestions from Dr. Tabaoda, with that objective, and in addition, a copy of the form returned to the Board will be provided to LSU-SVM in a sanitized format to protect any confidential information regarding the preceptee/preceptor and any

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related matters. However, in keeping with the Board's legal mandate, any decisions regarding the final wording and implementation/use of the forms, and the continued administration of the preceptorship program, will be within the control and decision making authority of the Board as required by law. The Board, as a whole, will review any proposed revisions to its form at an upcoming Board meeting for approval. Motion was approved unanimously by the quorum present.

XIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Board, motion was made by Dr. Landry, seconded by Dr. Bernard, and passed unanimously by voice vote to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

MINUTES REIVEWED AND APPROVED BY FULL BOARD on October 2, 2008.

Steven V. Slaton, DVM, Board Secretary-Treasurer