TENTATIVE MINUTES (PENDING BOARD APPROVAL) IN-PERSON MEETING OF THE

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH

October 18, 2024, 10:00 A.M. LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY VETERANS MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM 5825 FLORIDA BOULEVARD BATON ROUGE, LA 70806

NOTE: THIS IS TENTATIVE MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 18, 2024, MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH. A FINAL VERSION OF THESE MINUTES WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE AFTER APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AT ITS NEXT REGULARLY-SCHEDULED MEETING.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Craig Fontenot at 10:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called by Sara Novak.

<u>Members present:</u> Dr. Craig Fontenot, DVM; Brady Rutledge; Giles Brown; Vendal Fairchild; Law Ponder; Sara Byrd; Rayburn Smith; Lennie Crawford; and David Mains.

<u>Members Absent:</u> Anna Chapman, DVM; James Cooper, DVM; Dale Cambre, Kurt Cazayoux, Thomas Early, and Nickey Smith.

Only nine members were present and a quorum was not met.

Hearing Officer Terrell Kent checked the hallways for any additional board members, but none were found.

Staff attempted to contact absent board members to see if any board members would be attending, to no avail.

The chair, Dr, Fontenot, declared an absence of a quorum at 10:07 a.m.

The board, Hearing Officer Kent, Mr. Stacy Moak (counsel for Anton and John Wald), and Mr. Brandon Davis (counsel for the board), agreed to reset the hearing on the Walds' Petition for Reconsideration of Agency Decision for December 6, 2024.

There being no quorum, Dr. Fontenot moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Vendal Fairchild and passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.