

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
BOARD MEETING
February 5, 2004**

Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER -

Board President, Dr. J. Edwin Davis, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL -

Roll call was taken by Board Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Lon Randall, with the following results:

Those present:

J. Edwin Davis, DVM	Board President
Glenn Walther, DVM	Board Vice President
Lon Randall, DVM	Board Secretary-Treasurer
Patrick Bernard, DVM	Board Member
Brent Robbins, DVM	Board Member
Michael Tomino, Jr.	Board General Counsel
Wendy Parrish	Board Administrative Director

Absent: None

Guests: None

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. December 4, 2003

The Board reviewed the minutes from the December 4, 2003 Board meeting. Motion was made by Dr. Walther to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Dr. Randall, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

IV. FINANCIAL MATTERS AND CONTRACTS

A. Financial Reports -

1. November 2003 and December 2003

Dr. Randall and Ms. Parrish presented the financial reports for November and December 2003 for review. Ms. Parrish updated the Board as to the executed amendment for the current legal services contract. Motion was made by Dr. Walther to approve the financial reports as presented, seconded by Dr. Bernard, and approved unanimously by voice vote.

B. Legislative Auditor Request for Proposal - Ms. Parrish presented information regarding the process of awarding the contract for annual audit. Due to the positive relationship and professionalism exhibited with the contracted auditing firm for the last six years, Ms. Parrish has requested that a three year contract with the current audit firm be renewed. Ms. Parrish will attend the evaluation committee meeting of the State

Legislative Auditor Office in April as the voting representative from the Board for the award of the contract.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

A. Case 03-0109V, Pamela Rita Young, DVM – Dr. Walther was introduced as presiding officer for the hearing. Dr. Bernard recused himself as investigating Board member in the case. The members of the Hearing Panel consisted of Dr. Davis, Dr. Walther, Dr. Randall, and Dr. Robbins. Dr. Young waived appearance at the hearing. Mr. Tomino presented, on behalf of the State, the facts of the case, submitted exhibits for review, and a proposed Consent Order for consideration by the Board. Upon conclusion of the presentations and questions, motion was made by Dr. Randall, seconded by Dr. Robbins, to enter into executive session for deliberation of the facts and the proposed consent order presented in the case. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. The executive session was closed to the public and only those Board members on the panel were present for deliberation.

Motion was made by Dr. Davis to return to open session, seconded by Dr. Robbins, and passed unanimously by voice vote. The meeting was reopened to the public. Motion was made by Dr. Randall, seconded by Dr. Davis to accept the Consent Order as presented for this case. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. Case 04-0709V, Christopher Dupuy, DVM – At 10:10 a.m., Dr. Randall was introduced as presiding officer for the hearing. Dr. Walther recused himself as investigating Board member in the case. The members of the Hearing Panel consisted of Dr. Davis, Dr. Randall, Dr. Bernard and Dr. Robbins. Dr. Dupuy waived appearance at the hearing. Mr. Tomino presented, on behalf of the State, the facts of the case, submitted exhibits for review, and a proposed Consent Order for consideration by the Board. Upon conclusion of the presentations and questions, motion was made by Dr. Davis, seconded by Dr. Bernard, to enter into executive session for deliberation of the facts and the proposed consent order presented in the case. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. The executive session was closed to the public and only those Board members on the panel were present for deliberation.

Motion was made by Dr. Davis to return to open session, seconded by Dr. Bernard, and passed unanimously by voice vote. The meeting was reopened to the public. Motion was made by Dr. Davis, seconded by Dr. Bernard to accept the Consent Order as presented for this case. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

VI. POLICY, PROCEDURE, AND RULES

A. Rule Making

General Update

There were no updates presented.

Adoption of Rules -

There were no adoption of rules presented.

Consideration/Review of Proposed Rules/Amendments

1. Fees; Prescribing and Dispensing Drugs

The Notice of Intent for amendments to Rule 501 (fees) and Rule 705.O (prescribing and dispensing drugs to deer farmers) as published in the January 20, 2004 Louisiana Register was reviewed. No action was taken on this item.

B. Policy and Procedure

RVT Continuing Education Requirements - Dr. Robbins and Ms. Parrish presented information regarding proposed requirements for six annual continuing education credits for RVT. A summary of RVT CE requirements in other states was reviewed, as well as proposed language for rule amendment. Mr. Tomino advised on proper statute amendment and rulemaking procedures. Motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Bernard, that discussion be tabled to a later date following review of the upcoming RVT program in the New Orleans area. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

VII. DVM APPLICANT ISSUES

A. Mandi J. Lopez, DVM - Request for Waiver of out-of-date examination and preceptorship requirement - licensed in California since 1992, and in Wisconsin and Kansas, currently employed at LSU-SVM. Following review of documents submitted by Dr. Lopez and employment history within the 90 day period prior to application, motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Bernard, to waive retaking the national examination and preceptorship requirements. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. Tracy Trussell - Request for consideration of military veterinary assignment as preceptorship requirement. - 4th year veterinary student in Oklahoma to be based at Barksdale Air Force Base post graduation. Following discussion of preceptorship facility requirements, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Robbins, to require that Barksdale Air Force Base complete the preceptorship facility application in order for the employment to be considered to fulfill preceptorship requirements. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

VIII. RVT ISSUES

A. Jill N. Lewis, RVT - Request for reinstatement of RVT Certificate. RVT certificate expired 9/30/2002 following move to another state, and request made upon return to Louisiana to have RVT certificate reinstated. Motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Bernard, to deny reinstatement due to passage of time and direct the applicant to follow the standard application process with the Board. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

IX. PRECEPTORSHIP ISSUES

A. Alamo Pintado Equine Medical Center, Los Olivos, CA – request for preceptorship facility approval. Motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Robbins, to approve Alamo Pintado Equine Medical Center as a limited preceptorship facility. Motion passed by majority with the following voice vote: Dr. Davis – yea, Dr. Walther – yea, Dr. Randall – nay, Dr. Bernard – yea, Dr. Robbins – yea.

X. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

A. Prescription Drug Monitoring Program for Louisiana - Ms. Parrish presented information of a proposed statewide prescription drug monitoring program to be instituted in the future. No action was taken on this item.

B. New Licenses/Certificates Issued

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

DVM

2494	Renita Colette Woods
2495	Keiko Antoku
2496	Laura Elizabeth Peycke
2497	Michael Joe Smith
2498	Michael Steven Bodri
2499	David Keith Price
2500	Gaye Lynne Luna
2501	Jamie Jolee Schorling
2502	SaraRoberts Blakesley
2503	Nicole Arceneaux LaNasa

RVT

8114	Michelle Lynn Lalor
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CAET

T0401	Jamie Phillip Lott
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C. CAET CE Approval Request – Association of Certified Cruelty Investigators, LACA/Calcasieu Parish Animal Control, March 2004. Following review of documents submitted by Calcasieu Parish Animal Control, motion was made by Dr. Robbins, seconded by Dr. Walther, to approve the Association of Certified Cruelty Investigators March 2004 meeting for 6 CAET CE credits. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

A. **Euthansia/Verbal Consent** – Mr. Tomino presented a proposed response and amended language to Rule 1039 following an inquiry by Kim Bonaventure, DVM regarding procedures for verbal consent for euthanasia. Motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Bernard, to approve the written response and amended language for Rule 1039 as presented by Mr. Tomino, and to direct Mr. Tomino and Ms. Parrish to proceed with standard rule promulgation processes. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. **Hospital Exam Room/Sink Location** – Motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Bernard, for Mr. Tomino to respond to William Mayer, DVM regarding inquiry as to the immediate access of the sink location in a veterinary hospital examination room. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

C. **Disclosure of Patient Information to Animal Shelter** – Motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Bernard, that privileged patient information disclosed by a veterinarian from the patient chart to a third party without court order or consent of the client, can only be regarding rabies vaccination. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

XII. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Board, motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Robbins, and passed unanimously by voice vote to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

MINUTES REIVEWED AND APPROVED BY FULL BOARD ON April 8, 2004.

Lon Randall, DVM, Board Secretary-Treasurer