

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE  
BOARD MEETING  
August 4, 2005**

**Minutes**

**I. CALL TO ORDER -**

Board President, Dr. Lon Randall, called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

**II. ROLL CALL -**

Roll call was taken by Board Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Mica F. Landry, with the following results:

Those present:

Lon Randall, DVM	Board President
Patrick Bernard, DVM	Board Vice President
Mica F. Landry, DVM	Board Secretary-Treasurer
William H. Green, DVM	Board Member
Glenn Walther, DVM	Board Member
Michael Tomino, Jr.	Board General Counsel
Wendy Parrish	Board Administrative Director

Absent:       None

Guests:

Ashley Berthelot, DVM (11:30 am appearance)  
Elizabeth Vint, DVM, (1:00 pm appearance)  
Charles Kleinpeter, DVM

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A.     Board Meeting June 2, 2005

The Board reviewed the minutes from the June 2, 2005 Board meeting. Motion was made by Dr. Walther to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Dr. Landry, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

B.     Special Board Meeting June 16, 2005

The Board reviewed the minutes from the June 16, 2005 Special Board meeting. Motion was made by Dr. Walther 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 2005 and June 2005

Dr. Bernard and Ms. Parrish presented the financial reports for May and June 2005 for review. Following discussion of budgeted amounts and expenditures year-to-date, motion was made by Dr. Walther to approve the financial reports as presented, seconded by Dr. Landry, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. **FY2005 Budget Final Figures** – Ms. Parrish presented financial reports outlining budgeted and actual expenses and revenue for FY2005 for review. Ms. Parrish noted circumstances and factors relevant to differences in budgeted and actual amounts. No action was taken on this item.

C. **Computer System Upgrade Costs**– Ms. Parrish presented the total costs for the computer system upgrade (hardware, software, and installation/data conversion services) for review. No action was taken on this item.

D. **Contract Renewal FY2006– Investigations Unlimited** – Ms. Parrish presented the proposed contract with Corporate Security Consultants dba 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. Landry to approve renewal of the contract. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**V. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS**

**A. Case 05-1119.1V– Ferrell Larousse, DVM (9:00 am) –**

Dr. Bernard was introduced as presiding officer for the hearing. Dr. Randall recused himself as investigating Board member in the case. The members of the Hearing Panel consisted of Dr. Bernard, Dr. Landry, Dr. Green and Dr. Walther. Dr. Larousse waived appearance at the hearing. Mr. Tomino presented, on behalf of the State, the facts of the case, submitted exhibits for review, and proposed Consent Order for consideration by the Board. Upon conclusion of the presentation and questions, motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Green, to enter into executive session for deliberation of the facts and the proposed consent orders 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. Walther to return to open session, seconded by Dr. Green, and passed unanimously by voice vote. The meeting was reopened to the public. Motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Landry to accept the Consent Order as presented for this case. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**VI. POLICY, PROCEDURE, AND RULES**

**A. Policy and Procedure**

None presented

**B. Practice Act-Related Matters/Declaratory Statements**

1. **Limited Equine Dentistry Program** – Mr. Tomino presented for review, letters approved by the Board President to participants of the program, as well as a response to Dr. Burba’s letter regarding proof of employment prior to participation of the limited equine dentistry program. No action was taken on this item.

2. Pet/Equine/Canine Massage/Alternative Methods (C Banister) - Mr. Tomino presented a proposed response to Ms. Banister's query regarding animal rehabilitation techniques and/or alternative therapy. Motion was made by Walther, seconded by Dr. Landry to accept the response as presented. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**C. Rule Making**

1. Emergency Rule 711E - Wellness Clinic - Motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Bernard, to readopt the Emergency Rule 711E effective for 120 days and to direct Mr. Tomino and Ms. Parrish to proceed with emergency rule procedures and regular rulemaking procedures regarding Rule 711, Veterinary Practice, Wellness and Preventative Care Clinics. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
2. Notice of Intent Rule 711E - Wellness and Preventive Care Clinics, To be republished August 20, 2005.

**VII. DVM ISSUES**

**A. Richard G. Haars, DVM - Request for waiver of fees** - Ms. Parrish was directed to provide Dr. Haars with the most recent rules and statutes regarding retirement and fees.

**B. James L. Slaughter, DVM -Request to Extend CE Requirement** - Following review of request and documentation submitted by Dr. Slaughter, motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Green, to extend CE requirements for renewal year 2006 for 60 days through November 30, 2005, but all late CE fees and renewal fees shall apply. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**VIII. DVM APPLICANT ISSUES**

**A. Holly Wilson, DVM, Angola State Prison Resident DVM Position - Request for clarification regarding job duties** - Mr. Tomino presented a response to Dr. Wilson and Warden Cain's previous inquiry dated June 17, 2005 per the Board's direction, as well as a letter to the Board by Dr. Wilson dated June 29, 2005 requesting clarification regarding sale of prison animals. Discussion was made concerning Dr. Wilson's request. Motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Bernard, for Mr. Tomino to investigate further the requirements for particular veterinary testing and health certificates at the prison site and submit response to Dr. Wilson with final approval by Dr. Green. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**B. Shannon Stroup, DVM - Request for waiver of out of date examination and preceptorship requirement** - 1998 graduate of LSU School of Veterinary Medicine, formerly licensed in Georgia, Virginia and Maryland. Following review of documents submitted by Dr. Stroup regarding education and employment history, motion was

made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Walther, to accept request for waiver of out-of-date national examination and the preceptorship requirement as her particular employment history and experience were found to be equivalent to full time active clinical practice for five years immediately prior to application with the Board. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**C. Ashley Berthelot, DVM (11:30 am appearance) – Request for reconsideration of waiver of preceptorship requirement** – 2004 graduate of LSU-SVM, licensed in Colorado. Dr. Berthelot was introduced to the Board at 11:30 am and presented additional documentation concerning her employment experience as a resident/employee at Littleton Large Animal Clinic and Equine Hospital in Colorado. Following presentation, questions and review of the documentation, Dr. Berthelot was advised that the Board would take the information into consideration and would respond to her in writing of the decision. Dr. Berthelot left the meeting.

**D. Elizabeth Vint, DVM (1:00 pm appearance) – Request for reconsideration of waiver of preceptorship requirement** – 2004 graduate of Texas A&M University College of Veterinary Medicine, licensed in Texas, currently engaged as an equine intern at LSU-SVM. Dr. Vint was introduced to the Board at 1:00 pm and presented additional information concerning her experience, duties and employment as an intern in the Equine Clinic at LSU-SVM. Dr. Kleinpeter presented information on Dr. Vint's veterinary duties and experience. Following presentation, questions and review of the documentation, Dr. Vint was advised that the Board would take the information into consideration and would respond to her in writing of the decision. Dr. Vint and Dr. Kleinpeter left the meeting.

**E. Kelly Soileau, DVM – Request for clarification of licensing at New Iberia Research Center** – 2005 graduate of LSU-School of Veterinary Medicine, currently engaged as a clinical veterinarian at University of Louisiana Lafayette (New Iberia Research Center). Mr. Tomino presented a proposed response to documents submitted by Dr. Hasselschwert. Following review, motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Green to accept the proposed response regarding exception to license requirements based on a qualified research program, and limitations on practice duties as such. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

## **IX. CONTINUING EDUCATION ISSUES**

**A. DVM CE – Agriculture Security/Agroterrorism (D Stacy, DVM) – Request for CE credits for meeting modeled after South Central Center for Public Health Preparedness conference in June 2005.** Following review of the materials submitted, Ms. Parrish was asked to correspond with Dr. Stacy to request information on the exact agenda items and presenters for her particular proposed presentation in order for the Board to assess CE credits at an upcoming Board meeting.

**B. DVM CE - Professional Development Workshop; Ultrasound Training at LSU-SVM (M Gill, DVM)** - Request for CE credits. Following review of the documentation presented, motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Bernard, to deny CE credit hours for participation in the professional development workshop, but allow 4-6 CE credit hours for participation in the ultrasound training at LSU-SVM. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**C. DVM CE - Johne's Disease Control Training Course/Johne's Disease Advisory Group (W Joseph, DVM)** - Request for CE credits. Following review of the material presented, motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Bernard, to approve a total of 4 CE credit hours for participation in the Johne's Disease training courses, and 1 CE credit hour for participation in the Johne's Disease advisory group meeting. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**D. CAET CE - Association of Zoo Veterinary Technicians 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference (H Taylor, CAET)** - Request for CE credits. Following review of the documentation presented, motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Green, to deny CE credit hours for participation in the conference as it is not relevant to CAET duties. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**E. CAET CE - Rabies Presentation/Canine Lyme Disease Presentation by Dr. Dale (Caddo Parish Animal Services)** - Request for CE credits. Following review of the documentation presented, motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Landry, to deny CE credit hours for participation in the canine lyme disease presentation, but allow 6 CE credit hours for participation in the rabies presentation. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**F. CAET CE - ASPCA's Investigating Animal Cruelty (S Robertson, Lead CAET)** - Request for CE credits. Following review of the documentation presented, motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Landry, to allow 1 CE credit hour for participation in the meeting. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**G. CAET CE - Association of Pet Dog Trainers (ADPT)** - Request for CE credits. Following review of the documentation presented, motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Green, to deny CE credit hours for participation in the conference as it is not relevant to CAET duties. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**H. DVM CE - American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine Forum (B Davison, DVM)** - Request for CE credits. Following review of the material presented, motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Bernard, to approve 4 CE credit hours for participation in the forum. Motion passed by majority with the following voice vote: Yea - Dr. Randall, Dr. Bernard, Dr. Walther; Nay - Dr. Landry, Dr. Green.

**X. 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**

2587	Lane Mark Breaux
2588	Daniel Sosa
2589	Amy Kay Bonin
2590	Kristine Marie Vennen
2591	Terrence Christopher Forstall, Jr.
2592	Victor Scott Goss
2593	Emily Elizabeth Meurrier
2594	Beth Anne Lagattuta
2595	Jamie Leona Houston
2596	Gretchen Larsen Godbee
2597	Thomas Ffrangcon Evans
2598	Emily Ann Zeller
2599	Stefanie Rae Thibodeaux
2600	Jessica Lynn Coates
2601	Robert Byron Hancock
2602	Roderick Geroid Gant
2603	Michal Hruby Soosaar
2604	Priscilla Kathleen Thayer
2605	Mary-Claire Holley Blackburn
2606	Christopher Ben Vitale
2607	Christine Elizabeth Longo
2608	Gina Elizabeth Goodier

**RVT**

8125	Deborah Ann Puppel
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**CAET**

9169	Nedra L. Lagarde
9192	Miyo Marie Cox
9343	Kenneth Babineaux
9344	Tammy Bailey
9345	Brandon Lee Daniel
9346	Crystal Holden
9347	Anthony O'Blanc
9348	Takiyyah Rachal
9349	Jacobi D. Small
9350	Stacy Jo Verdin
9351	Dawn Williams

**B. AAVSB Ownership of Veterinary Technician National Examination (VTNE) –** Acknowledgement of ownership from prior vendor, Professional Examination Services was reviewed. No action was taken on this item.

**C. AAVSB Proposed Collaborative Practice Language for Practice Act Model –** Ms. Parrish presented proposed collaborative practice language for review. Following discussion, motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Landry, to voice the Louisiana Board's position at the AAVSB annual conference in September opposing collaborative practice and any proposed language supporting the concept. The Board's position is based on its duty to protect the public and insurance proper treatment is provided to patients. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**D. Concurrent Resolution 98 (2005) Prescription Monitoring Program Task Force/Feasibility Study –** Resolution was presented for review and discussion. The Task Force meeting was held at the same time as the Board's regularly scheduled meeting and, therefore, no Board member could attend the Task Force meeting. Dr. Walther stated that a copy of any information distributed at the August 4, 2005 Task Force meeting would be sent to the Board office by LVMA. No action was taken on this item.

**E. Request for Fee Increase for CAET Training by B Berryhill, DVM –** Ms. Parrish presented the request from Dr. Berryhill for additional fees as instructor for the 1-1/2 day CAET training course, as well as financial data on the costs and revenues from the course. Motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Landry, to increase the fee to \$750.00 each year effective August 2005. 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 and personnel matters, seconded by Dr. Green, 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. Ashley Berthelot, DVM – Request for reconsideration of waiver of preceptorship requirement –** Following discussion of the matter, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Walther to accept the request for waiver as the particular residency/employment and experience was found to be equivalent to the preceptorship program requirements and/or full time active clinical practice for 90 days immediately prior to application with the Board. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**B. Elizabeth Vint, DVM – Request for reconsideration of waiver of preceptorship requirement –** Following discussion and review of the documentation submitted by Dr. Vint, motion was made by Dr. Bernard, seconded by Dr. Walther to accept the request as the internship/employment and experience were found to be equivalent to the

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preceptorship program requirements and/or full time active clinical practice for 90 days immediately prior to application with the Board. Motion passed by majority with the following voice vote: Yea - Dr. Randall, Dr. Bernard, Dr. Landry, Dr. Walther; Nay - Dr. Green. The Board President will send a letter to Dr. Kleinpeter regarding his appearance at the Board meeting and ex parte contact with Board members.

**C. Veterinary Massage Therapy (P Dalgo)** - Motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Landry, to approve the proposed response presented by Mr. Tomino to Ms. Dalgo's query on veterinary massage therapy. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**D. Case 04-0702D-** Motion was made by Dr. Walther, seconded by Dr. Bernard, for Mr. Tomino to proceed with notice to the respondent as directed by the Board. 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. Green, and passed unanimously by voice vote to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

MINUTES REIVEWED AND APPROVED BY FULL BOARD ON October 6, 2005.

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Mica F. Landry, DVM, Board Secretary-Treasurer