

LA Board of Veterinary Medicine – Board Meeting Agenda – February 2, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Dr. Alfred Stevens, called the meeting to order at 8:36am.

II. ROLL CALL – Larry Findley, Sr., DVM, Secretary-Treasurer

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

Those present:

Alfred G. Stevens, DVM	Board President
Trisha C. Marullo, DVM	Board Vice President
Larry L. Findley, Sr, DVM	Secretary-Treasurer
Joseph Bondurant, Jr.	Board Member
Keri A. Cataldo, DVM	Board Member
Jared B. Granier	Board Executive Director
Stephen H. Vogt	Board General Counsel

Guests:

Melanie Talley	Louisiana Veterinary Medical Association
Dr. Philip Deville	Veterinarian/Licensee
Dr. Joe Stark	Veterinarian/Licensee
Dr. Eddie Cramer	Veterinarian/Licensee

Statement of Obligations was read aloud by Dr. Findley to all present for meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Board Minutes for December 1, 2022

The Board reviewed minutes from December 1, 2022. With no discussion on the minutes as given, motion was made to accept the minutes with the proposed correction by Dr. Marullo, seconded by Dr. Findley, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

IV. FINANCIAL MATTERS & CONTRACTS

A. Financial Reports – November & December '22

Mr. Granier presented the financial reports for the months of November and December '22 for review by the Board. Mr. Granier informed the Board that all financial matters are in order with no unordinary expenses. There were no questions regarding financial reports reviewed by the Board members. Motion was made by Dr. Findley to accept the financial reports as presented, seconded by Dr. Bondurant. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. Investments, CDs - FY 2023

Mr. Granier reviewed accrued interest amounts for current certificates of deposit (CDs) for FY2023. Motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Cataldo, to accept the investment report as presented. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Dr. Stevens opened the floor to comments from the public.

V. STATUTES, RULES, POLICIES & PROCEDURES

A. Rulemaking Projects, Proposals, & Discussions

1. **Project (Update): LAC 46LXXXV.Chapter 12 - Preceptorship for DVM Licensure**

Mr. Granier informed the Board that the Final Rule regarding the repeal of the preceptorship program as a DVM licensure requirement will be reviewed by the Occupational Licensing Review Commission at its March 15th meeting. And upon approval of the summary report to the Legislative Oversight Committees, the Final Rule is anticipated to be promulgated in the April edition of the *Louisiana Register*. No action was taken on this item.

2. **Project (Update): LAC 46LXXXV.100.105 - Amendment for Petition for Rule Modification**

Mr. Granier notified the Board that he presented to the Occupational Licensing Review Commission the proposed Notice of Intent, LAC 46LXXXV.100.105, amending language for the petition for Rule Modification. The OLRC approved the continuance with the rulemaking process, and the proposed Notice of Intent will be submitted to the Legislative Oversight Committees and published in the March edition of the *Louisiana Register*. No action was taken on this item.

3. **Proposal (Update): Expedited Licensure for Active Military and Spouses**

Mr. Vogt informed the Board that he is still working on the legislative-required rule changes concerning the licensing of individuals with military training, licensing endorsements of military spouses and dependents as per La. R.S. 37:3651 as affecting present Rule 307 concerning the expedited issuance of license for individuals with military qualifications and military spouses. The proposal will be brought before the Board for a vote once completed. No motion was made, and no action was taken on this matter. In the meantime, the Board will act as though its Rules have been amended as per La. R.S. 37:3651, using its discretionary functions.

4. **Proposal: Letter of Reference Requirement for Applicants**

Mr. Granier presented to the Board a drafted Notice of Intent which would no longer requiring letters of reference for applications for licensure. Citing that there is similar trend nationally from numerous other veterinary state boards as well as regulatory boards for many other professions. Additionally, there has been no data to indicate that there has ever been an instance in which a letter of reference was used to deny licensure for an applicant. Motion was made by Dr. Marullo to accept the Notice of Intent as presented and to no longer require letters of reference for applications for licensure beginning for applications submitted on or after July 1, 2024, seconded by Dr. Cataldo. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. Policies and Procedures

1. None at this time

C. Declaratory Statements

1. None at this time

D. General Agenda

1. **Procedures Allowed by Layperson in Equine Reproduction**

The Board received an inquiry from a licensed veterinarian pertaining to equine reproduction and what veterinarian duties may be performed by a lay person (someone not licensed by the Board). In particular the Board was asked whether a lay person

could perform transvaginal oocyte aspiration, under the direct supervision of a veterinarian, and whether a client could be charged for those services performed by a lay person if not under the direct supervision of a veterinarian. Counsel drafted a response to the query, subject to Board ratification, and pretermitted the response as it would pertain to transvaginal oocyte aspiration as a surgical procedure. After discussion, the board determined the procedure to be a surgery. With said determination, the query was answered as following: engaging in equine reproduction activities by a non-owner of the animal aside from the collection of semen for quality evaluation from a male equine is the practice of veterinary medicine. Accordingly, in order to perform such services a license to practice veterinary medicine is required. A lay person, or RVT employed by a veterinarian who has first established a VCPR with the client, may perform non-surgical duties under the direct supervision of the veterinarian. However, transvaginal oocyte aspiration is surgery, which cannot be delegated and can only be done by a veterinarian licensed by the board.

2. Can Veterinarians Recommend or Sell CBD Products to Patients

The board was asked by a practitioner if there had been any updates concerning the propriety of a licensed veterinarian recommending or selling CBD products in their practice. General counsel advised the licensee of the status of CBD products in Louisiana and the Board's position concerning the use and sale of those products containing CBD provisionally. The Board ratified the response, to wit: the Board has never instructed licensees that the topic of the use of CBD containing products is improper, although when CBD (products containing less than .03% of THC on a dry weight basis), was a schedule I drug, it could not be used for any purpose; "Hemp" as defined by law, is no longer a scheduled drug regulated by the DEA, but the FDA does regulate its use as animal supplements and forbids the marketing of any product with unsubstantiated claims of therapeutic benefits. If a product is marketed as a therapeutic product which can prevent, mitigate or cure a disease or is intended to affect the structure or function of the body, it is being marketed as a drug, and without FDA approval that marketing is illegal. Further, legal hemp may not be added to animal food, including pet treats, without FDA approval. Accordingly, the board reiterated its position that it is the veterinarian's responsibility to assure that products sold by him are legal under local, state and federal laws and regulations. Since the FDA has determined that it does not have the necessary information to fashion a regulatory framework for the use of legal hemp and products containing hemp derived CBD, the Board will not advise the practice concerning the safe and efficacious use of such products but will look to the ethical responsibilities of the licensed veterinarian when recommending or prescribing such products, as it does with any drug, substance or off-label use drug or product. While research regarding the use of hemp derived CBD containing products is proceeding, at this time neither the FDA nor the Board has the benefit of pre-marketing scrutiny of the FDA.

3. Guidelines or Restrictions on Medical Marijuana for CAET Certification

The board was called upon to decide as a matter of first impression whether the use of medicinal (Legal) marijuana by a CAET or CAET was disqualifying. It was determined that the query lacked sufficient information for an authoritative response.

4. DVM Obligated to Speak to Third-Party Lawyer Calling for Case Details

A licensed veterinarian inquired about the duty to speak to a client's attorney concerning the circumstances surrounding a patient's death. He was advised that under the Board's Rules compliance with local and state laws is mandated but if not mandated by deposition notice or subpoena to testify, the practitioner is not compelled by Board Rule to communicate with a former client where the VCPR has been terminated by the

death of the patient for which nothing further can be done. The Board Rules do require production of the patient's record in a format and using terms that can be understood.

E. Consent Agenda Opinions – Answered

1. Questions Related to Practice Ownership

The board was asked whether a veterinarian practice can be owned by a non-veterinarian, in whole or in part. The question was answered in the affirmative noting that the function of providing veterinary care within that organization must be done by a licensed veterinarian.

2. How Can One Perform Equine Dentistry in Louisiana

A recent immigrant to the US asked what is required to perform equine dental services in Louisiana, having practiced in equine dentistry abroad, but not as a veterinarian or RVT. The requirements are clearly set forth in the Practice Act and Board Rules. The utilization of cotton swabs, gauze, dental floss, dentifrice, toothbrushes or similar items is not the practice of veterinary medicine and anyone can do that without Board regulation. If employed by a veterinarian and with proper training, an RVT or layperson can, under supervision of a licensed veterinarian, may rasp (float) equine molar, premolar and canine teeth and remove deciduous incisor and premolar teeth (caps). All other dental operations, including but not limited to the extraction of teeth, amputation of large molar, incisor, or canine teeth, the extraction of first premolar teeth (wolf teeth) and the repair of damaged or diseased teeth must be performed by a licensed veterinarian. Rule 710.

3. Legality of Veterinarian Requiring Additional Deposits for Services

A consumer was required to deposit \$2500 pursuant to an estimate given by a practitioner for the emergency treatment of his daughter's dog. He was then notified that an additional deposit would be required for continued care. He asked the board if the additional deposit requirement was proper. He was advised that a veterinarian is obligated to provide emergency services after the establishment of a VCPR until an animal can be stabilized and transferred to another facility but that generally is free to accept or reject employment and the amount charged, unless it is so egregious as to constitute an ethical violation, is a matter of civil contract between the veterinarian and the client. An estimate can be legitimately revised as diagnostics can change an initial diagnosis and treatment plan. If there is no agreement between the client and the veterinarian as to the treatment plan, there is no longer a valid VCPR and treatment is not proper in any event.

4. Accepted Practices for Electronic Record-Keeping

A practice asked if paper medical records could be destroyed after five years. Those are also scanned and kept in electronic form. The Board advised that all records must be kept for a term of five years since the last treatment. Any recordation method must be capable of reproduction if the client requests it prior to the expiration of the five year term. The practice was advised to consult the primary regulators for records pertaining to the ordering and maintenance of drugs and cautioned that the method of destruction, when permissible, must maintain client confidentiality.

5. Has Law Changed Regarding Alternative Therapy by Non-Veterinarians

The Board was asked if there had been a rule change concerning a provider of alternative therapy providing services under the supervision of the referring veterinarian for each therapy session. The board advised there had been no change. The referring veterinarian is required to supervise the therapy (on premises and available for communication) and is responsible to the client for ongoing evaluations

and diagnoses. Other requirements are under Rule 712.

6. Question About Sharps Disposals

The Board was asked about regulations concerning the disposal of sharps by owners of pets. This is not under the Board's regulatory authority and a referral to the provisions of the Louisiana Sanitary Code was made, and its administration by the Department of Health, particularly LAC title 51, part XXVII, section 503, which pertain to small quantities of potentially infectious biomedical waste and households or non-health facilities. Those provisions allow disposal as per ordinary municipal waste without treatment provided it is packaged to assure no loss of contents if the integrity of the original packaging is violated.

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8. Allowances for a Veterinary Assistant (non-RVT)

The Board was asked for a specific list of what an RVT can and cannot do. The question was too broad for authoritative answer but the board advised that an RVT cannot, even under the direct supervision of a veterinarian, perform surgery, prescribe medicine and treatment, or make a diagnosis or prognosis. The person asking the question was invited to inquire about a specific duty.

9. How Long Should Liability Insurance Be Maintained

A veterinarian contemplating retirement asked the Board how long after treatment should liability insurance be maintained. He was referred to her private attorney as this is not a matter of regulation. However, the general laws of prescription (statute of limitations) and its exceptions, pre-emption and general information concerning claims made and occurrence liability policies were given.

10. Can Vet Techs (RVTs and/or Laypersons) Administer Rabies Vaccinations

The Board was asked if a veterinarian can delegate the task of administering rabies vaccine to an RVT or lay assistant, with supervision, and advised that although the general subject matter is governed by the Louisiana Sanitation Code through the Dept of Health, the Board has consistently advised that this is a task that cannot be delegated.

11. Can a Chiropractor Treat Animals

The board was asked by a member of the public if a human chiropractor can practice on

animals in Louisiana and if there are certifications available to that end. The board advised that Rule 712 governs. The chiropractor must work under supervision of the referring veterinarian by whom the VCPR has been established, there must be written informed consent by the client, and the layperson must possess a license or certificate issued by another regulatory authority or have acceptable training approved by the board before offering services. See other provisions of Rule 712.

12. Boarding Family of Pets 3 Weeks Past Expected Discharge Date

The Board was again contacted by a veterinarian whose client had boarded his animal beyond the dates reserved for boarding and could not be reached.

13. Can a Vet Take a Deposit & Change What Procedure is Required Afterwards

An individual, who subsequently filed a complaint, asked the Board if a veterinarian could “legally” accept a deposit for an agreed upon procedure then charge for a mandatory component of that procedure that had been declined by the owner. The question lacked specificity for an authoritative response, and the subject matter became the source of a complaint.

14. Law on Releasing Information to New Horse Owner

The purchaser of a rescue equine determined the identity of the veterinarian who treated the horse prior to acquisition. The purchaser wanted the medical records from the veterinarian under the proposition that the former owner/client could not be found and that as the “new owner”, she was entitled to those records. The veterinarian was contacted and the Board was informed that the first owner/client was well known to the veterinarian and had specifically instructed the veterinarian that the contents of the medical records for the newly purchased horse, including its lineage, was to remain confidential. The purchaser was then informed that patient confidentiality must be maintained under these circumstances.

F. Consent Agenda Opinions - Proposed

1. None at this time

G. Consent Agenda Opinions - Expedited / Emergency Opinion

1. None at this time

After discussions on all General Agenda and Consent Agenda items, the motion to ratify and approve all responses was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Findley. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

A. New Licenses and Certificates Issued

Mr. Granier reported all new DVM licenses (including Faculty), RVT registrations, and CAET certificates issued listed below from 11/16/22 to 01/12/23. Motion was made by Dr. Marullo to accept and ratify all issued licenses as given, seconded by Dr. Cataldo. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

License Number	Licensee	License Status	Initial License Date
10139	Marisa Halvorson	DVM - Active	2022-11-29
10140	Jamie Clanin	DVM - Active	2022-12-02
10141	Lucia Fleischmann	DVM - Active	2022-12-02
10142	Douglas McInnis	DVM - Active	2022-12-02

10143	John Punke	DVM - Active	2022-12-02
10144	Bruce Tajmir	DVM - Active	2022-12-02
10145	Adrien Izquierdo	DVM - Active	2022-12-16
10146	You Na Jeon	DVM - Active	2022-12-19
10147	Morgan Chayes	DVM - Active	2022-12-21
10148	Mallory Tate	DVM - Active	2023-01-04
10149	Brian Evans	DVM - Active	2023-01-10

License Number	Licensee	License Status	Initial License Date
Faculty 1096	Stefanie DeMonaco	DVM - Faculty - Active	2022-11-28

License Number	Licensee	License Status	Initial License Date
20056	Mia Hoffpauir	RVT - Active	2022-12-05
20057	Elizabeth Rocco	RVT - Active	2022-12-06
20058	David Blakesley	RVT - Active	2023-01-04
20059	Madison Bordelon	RVT - Active	2023-01-04
20060	Ke'Vonn Faulkner	RVT - Active	2023-01-04
20061	Kindall Flores	RVT - Active	2023-01-04
20062	Ciara Hugle	RVT - Active	2023-01-04
20063	Megan Johnson	RVT - Active	2023-01-04
20064	Alexus McDonald	RVT - Active	2023-01-04
20065	Taylor O'Bannon	RVT - Active	2023-01-04
20066	Megan Rainey	RVT - Active	2023-01-04
20067	Whitney Shultz	RVT - Active	2023-01-04
20068	Hanna Rose	RVT - Active	2023-01-11

B. Office Updates – Applications, Renewals, Complaints

Mr. Granier reported to the Board statistics on applications and complaint statistics as seen below. No motion was made, and no further action was taken on this matter.

APPS - APPROVED, 09/24 to 01/12		Total	APPS - SUBMITTED, 09/24 to 01/12		Total
Animal Euthanasia Technician		1	Animal Euthanasia Technician		12
(blank)		1	(blank)		12
Veterinarian		16	Veterinarian		15
DVM Practicing Less Than 5 years		6	DVM Practicing Less Than 5 years		9
DVM Practicing More Than 5 years		8	DVM Practicing More Than 5 years		5
Student, New Grad or DVM < 90 days		2	Student, New Grad or DVM < 90 days		1
Veterinarian - Faculty		4	Veterinarian - Faculty		8
(blank)		4	(blank)		8
Veterinary Technician		15	Veterinary Technician		11
Certified in Another State		1	Certified in Another State		1
Student/New Graduate		14	Student/New Graduate		10
Grand Total		36	Grand Total		46

COMPLAINTS	Total
From 11/19/22 to 01/12/23	
Complaints Received	5
Complaints Closed	5
Consent Orders Issued	1
Consent Orders Closed	1
Other Negative Actions *	0
Still On-Going / Active	
Pending Cases (licensees)	10
Pending Cases (non-licensees)	5
Consent Orders	2
Other Negative Actions *	2
* Other negative actions include, formal reprimands, informal reprimands, cease & desist notices, etc.	

C. Proposed 2022-2023 LBVM Newsletter

A proposed newsletter draft containing topics and statistics to be included in the Spring 2022-2023 newsletter was presented. Members gave editorial suggestions to be made prior to distribution. Motion was made by Dr. Cataldo, seconded by Dr. Bondurant, to approve the newsletter for distribution. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

D. 2023 FARB Conference Report (Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards)

Mr. Granier reported to the Board on the FARB conference attended January 26th-28th, 2023. The important take-aways from the conference were the following topics: 1) license mobility between states, 2) expedited licensure for military spouses, 3) Board meeting rules and open meeting laws, and 4) Board member training. Mr. Granier also requested permission from the Board to attend the FARB conference being held July 20th-21st in Alexandria, VA. Motion was made by Dr. Stevens, seconded by Dr. Marullo, to approve attendance at the July FARB conference. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

E. AAVSB Board Basics & Beyond Registration, April 14-15, '23 in Kansas City, MO

Mr. Granier presented the dates for the upcoming AAVSB Board Basics & Beyond workshop being held on April 14th-15th. Dr. Findley will be in attendance along with Mr. Granier. No motion made or action taken on agenda item.

F. CAET Training Course Schedule, March 2, 2023

Mr. Granier informed the Board of the expanded schedule for the upcoming CAET training course, with its Peer Assistance Program partners, HPFLA, attending as well as representatives from the LA Board of Pharmacy and the LA SPCA. No motion made or action taken on agenda item.

VII. CONTINUING EDUCATION ISSUES

A. Request for CE Hours for LVMA Board Meeting Attendance

Ms. Melanie Talley and the LVMA Board members submitted a request for CE hours for its Board members attending the quarterly LVMA Board meetings. Motion was made by Dr. Findley to approve a maximum of six (6) in-person credit hours of CE hours for LBVM Board members attending their quarterly Board meeting, seconded by Dr. Marullo. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

VIII. PRECEPTORSHIP ISSUES

A. None at this time

Motion was made by Dr. Marullo to go into executive session to discuss confidential matters regarding licensees and applicants not subject to public disclosure as per the law, seconded by Dr. Cataldo, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

IX. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

A. Case #19-0405 – Petition for Consent Order Modification

A practitioner petitioned the board for modification of a consent order still in effect which required continuous individual therapy to practice veterinary medicine. The licensee was well within a period of compliance with the other terms of the consent order, and the counsellor had given the board a report stating she was moving from the area and the licensee no longer needed the support. Motion was made to accept the licensee's request at the recommendation of the counsellor and the request granted. All other terms of the consent order continue until its expiration.

X. LICENSEE ISSUES

A. Katelyn Whaley, RVT – Continuing Education Petition

An RVT asked the Board to waive CE requirements due to her physical inability to attend CE for the current period. Before acting on the request, the Board instructed counsel to ask for verification of the claims of physical disability.

XI. APPLICANT ISSUES

A. Savannah Burch, DVM – Waiver Request of Preceptorship

The Board reviewed supplemental documentation submitted with the application for licensure from Dr. Burch. Motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Findley, to approve waiver of the preceptorship requirements as the documents provided meet the criteria of full-time clinical veterinary practice for the required time period immediately prior to application, and licensure in good standing in another jurisdiction. With no further discussion, motion passed unanimously by voice vote outside of executive session.

B. Carolina Collazos, DVM – Waiver Request of Preceptorship

The Board reviewed supplemental documentation submitted with the application for licensure from Dr. Collazos. Motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Findley, to approve waiver of the preceptorship requirements as the documents provided meet the criteria of full-time clinical veterinary practice for the required time period immediately prior to application, and licensure in good standing in another jurisdiction. With no further discussion, motion passed unanimously by voice vote outside of executive session.

C. Kaitlin Dever, DVM – Waiver Request of Preceptorship

The Board reviewed supplemental documentation submitted with the application for licensure from Dr. Dever. Motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Findley, to approve waiver of the preceptorship requirements as the documents provided meet the criteria of full-time clinical veterinary practice for the required time period immediately prior to application, and licensure in good standing in another jurisdiction. With no further discussion, motion passed unanimously by voice vote outside of executive session.

D. Sara Ochoa, DVM – Waiver Request of Preceptorship & NAVLE Retake

The Board reviewed supplemental documentation submitted with the application for licensure from Dr. Ochoa. Motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Findley, to approve waiver of retake of the national examination and preceptorship requirements as the documents provided meet the waiver criteria for the required period of time immediately prior to application, and licensure in good standing in another jurisdiction. With no further discussion, motion passed unanimously by voice vote outside of executive session.

E. Delaney Oxford, DVM – Waiver Request of Preceptorship

The Board reviewed supplemental documentation submitted with the application for licensure from Dr. Oxford. Motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Findley, to approve waiver of the preceptorship requirements as the documents provided meet the criteria of full-time clinical veterinary practice for the required time period immediately prior to application, and licensure in good standing in another jurisdiction. With no further discussion, motion passed unanimously by voice vote outside of executive session.

F. Brittany Zak, RVT – Waiver Request of VTNE Retake

The Board reviewed supplemental documentation submitted with the application for licensure from Ms. Zak. Motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Findley, to approve the waiver of retake of the national examination as the documents provided meet the waiver criteria for the required period of time immediately prior to application, and licensure in good standing in another jurisdiction.

Upon conclusion of executive session for purposes of licensee and applicant discussions, motion was made to return to regular session by Dr. Cataldo, seconded by Dr. Bondurant, and approved unanimously by voice vote. All votes noted with respect to administrative hearings, applicant issues, and licensee issues above were made out of executive session.

Motion was made by Dr. Marullo to go back into executive session to discuss confidential matters not subject to public disclosure as per the law, seconded by Dr. Bondurant, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. *Update:* Civil Litigation – Equine Dentistry

The Board was updated on the status of litigation instituted against a non-license acting as an equine dentist.

B. *Update:* Claim of Non-Licensee Practicing Veterinary Medicine

Ultrasound, Artificial Insemination, Progesterone Testing (Case #23-0506 N)

Potential litigation was discussed concerning notice the Board received that a non-licensee were performing ultrasound procedures for reproductive services. An advisory letter was authorized by the Board to inform the person the acts subject of analysis were the practice of veterinary medicine.

C. *Update:* Claim of Non-Licensee Practicing Vet Medicine (Case #22-0607 N)

A layperson to whom an advisory letter was sent for the unauthorized practice of veterinary medicine (equine dentistry) responded to the Board's demands and secured employment with a licensed veterinarian, having possessed the training required and now being properly supervised. Further action was deferred.

D. Potential Practice Act Violation by Non-Licensee (Case #22-0411 N)

The board was briefed on the status of an investigation concerning the potential investigation of a lay person practicing veterinary medicine without a license in the context of livestock reproduction services offered to the public. Counsel was instructed to continue the investigation and proceed with an advisory letter prior to litigation.

E. Potential Practice Act Violation by Non-Licensee (Case #23-1219 N)

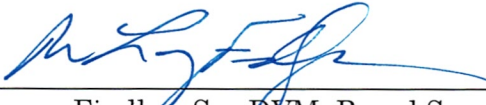
The board was briefed on the status of an investigation concerning the potential investigation of a lay person practicing veterinary medicine without a license in the context of equine dentistry. Counsel was instructed to continue the investigation and proceed with an advisory letter prior to litigation.

Upon conclusion of executive session, motion was made to return to regular session by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Findley, and approved unanimously by voice vote.

XIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Board, motion was made by Dr. Cataldo, seconded by Dr. Findley, and passed unanimously by voice vote to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 1:45pm.

MINUTES REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY FULL BOARD on April 6, 2023.



Larry Findley, Sr., DVM, Board Secretary-Treasurer